



NORTH YORKSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

Head of Risk Management Jonathan Foster



Jonathan is the Area Manager, Head of Risk Management and has held the position since August 2016. He holds functional responsibility for the Prevention and Protection section and the Response and Resilience section. Prior to this he was the Group Manager Response and Resilience for 2 years and was largely responsible for the operational policy and procedure and the operational response aspects of the Service.

He joined North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service in 1983 as a retained firefighter at Boroughbridge before joining the wholetime service in 2004. He has held a number of managerial roles both at station and district levels as well as with the training department.

In 2011 he began working in the service development section and was involved in a range of major change initiatives including the efficiencies review and the implementation of the Central Administrations Office. In 2013 Jonathan was the lead manager on the Peer Review of the Service of which an outcome was the Fire Cover Review project of which he also became a lead manager. He was the lead manager on planning for contingency arrangement during the pensions dispute. More recently has been instrumental in developing the specification for the equipment and vehicle type for the Tactical Response Vehicles (TRV) and the formation of the Operational Staffing Reserve.

He has held key roles within various partnerships including the chair of the Risk Assessment Group within the North Yorkshire Local Resilience Forum. He was successful in securing a partnership agreement between the Service and Yorkshire Ambulance Service for the introduction of the Emergency First Responder scheme.

He is married to Melanie and has a keen interest in motorcycles and property renovation.