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Borough Commander Matt Bell - Career Biography

Before joining Lambeth as Borough Commander I was the Borough Commander of Barking and Dagenham in East London. Prior to this I have served in Bromley as the Deputy Borough Commander and Southwark and Peckham as both a Constable and an Inspector, and at Woolwich and Bromley as a Sergeant and Chief Inspector.

Career items of note; between 2001 and 2003 as a Chief Inspector I spent two years at Territorial Policing Head Quarters where I developed and delivered the Problem Solving element of the MPS Policing Model, winner of the 2004 National Tilley Award for Problem Solving Policing. In 2002 I worked together with Surrey Police to initiate the work of the National Reassurance Policing Programme. I led the MPS team that developed and introduced both Safer Neighbourhoods Teams and Police Community Support Officers in London.

I have had the opportunity to work with police services in a number of countries including Holland, the United States and South Africa, specifically in relation to youth related issues and gangs, the introduction and delivery of community policing, and the development of the wider police family.'

