



Bedfordshire and Luton Fire and Rescue Service

PROFILE

Robert Hull

Deputy Chief Fire Officer



Born in Dunstable, Bedfordshire, in 1961, Robert has lived in the County for all of his life.

Robert joined Bedfordshire and Luton Fire and Rescue Service in 1979. Following Service at Luton and Stopsley Fire Stations in all ranks up to Station Officer, he transferred into the Fire Safety Department where he served for a number of years as a Fire Safety Inspecting Officer. In 1991, he was promoted to Assistant Divisional Officer and appointed as the Brigade Emergency Planning Staff Officer. In 1992, he transferred to the post of Assistant Divisional Commander (Dunstable) with responsibilities for the South West Division stations of Dunstable, Toddington, Leighton Buzzard and Woburn. In 1995 he returned to Fire Safety as the Area Fire Safety Officer (South) where he coordinated a number of major projects including the extension and refurbishment of the Arndale Centre, Luton and a major extension of Luton International Airport. In 1997, he was appointed as the first Service Community Fire Safety Officer responsible for all aspects of community safety including the first major domestic smoke alarm fitting campaign in Bedfordshire. In April 2000 and following a period of temporary promotion, Robert was promoted to Divisional Officer Grade III and appointed District Commander Luton and consequently District Commander Bedford. In May 2004, he was promoted to Divisional Officer Grade 1 and appointed as Area Support Manager. In September 2005, he was appointed Temporary Assistant Fire Chief Officer and was consequently substantively promoted in June 2006 taking up the references of Corporate Services including finance, procurement, asset management and ICT.

Since February 2009, he has been acting Deputy Chief Fire Officer with responsibility for the delivery of the emergency response, protection and prevention services to the communities of Bedfordshire and Luton.

Robert was presented with the Fire Service Long Service and Good Conduct Medal in 1999 and the Fire Authority's 25 year Certificate of Service in 2004.

Robert is married with a 9 year old son and lives locally. His interests include swimming, all things 'wildlife' and 17th century history. His passion is Chelsea Football Club who he watches on a regular basis both home and away as well as making a couple of forages into Europe a couple of times a year. He is a local parish councillor and is a champion for activities for children and young people in rural communities.

Robert is a member of Wolfson College, Cambridge where he attended the Wolfson Course in 2005 and following his period of study including a dissertation on 'Oliver Cromwell's Military Campaign in Ireland 1649-1650' he obtained a Post-Graduate Certificate in Continuing Education.

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