



Members and Partners' Networking Event incorporating PCVS AGM 2023

Julie Spence OBE CStJ QPM, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire,

Julie Spence is His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire, appointed in April 2017. Julie will hold this title until 2030.

After graduating as a teacher from Liverpool University and I M Marsh College of Physical Education, in 1978, Julie joined Avon and Somerset Police and was seconded to the Association of Chief Police Officers secretariat in London for two years.

In 1999 Julie was appointed to Assistant Chief Constable for Thames Valley Police. In 2005 Julie was appointed to Chief Constable for Cambridgeshire Constabulary. In the Queen's 80th Birthday Honours, Julie was awarded an OBE for her management of complex and contentious organisational issues; leadership of Thames Valley's contribution to the operations to protect Heathrow and the Queen Mother's funeral; her work for the ACPO Terrorism and Allied Matters Committee on Royalty and VIP Protection; her strong leadership and determination in taking forward the Gender Agenda and the development of the British Association of Women in Policing (BAWP), which have both become major drivers for gender equality in British policing. She was President of BAWP for 10 years (2000-2010).

In 2008 she was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by Anglia Ruskin University: then in the 2010 New Year's Honours list she received the Queens Police Medal (QPM) followed in 2021 by the Commander of the Order of St John (CStJ) for her services to St John's Ambulance and the Order of St John. In September 2010, after a 32 year career, she retired from policing.

In June 2023 Julie retired as Chair of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS (Community and Mental Health) Foundation Trust. Julie has been a Governor of Anglia Ruskin University (2021), is Chair of Wellbeing of Women (Cambridge Branch) and a Patron of Ormiston Families, supporting families in East Anglia, alongside being Patron of several other worthy Cambridgeshire organisations.

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Thursday 14th September
Allia Future Business Centre
1pm -4pm

Emmeline Watkins, Deputy Director, Public Health Peterborough

Emmeline Watkins is the Deputy Director for Public Health for Peterborough and works across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

She is an epidemiologist with a strong interest in social determinants of health, systems leadership and implementation in local areas.

Emmeline has considerable cross-sector experience having worked within local government, as a teacher, within the pharmaceutical industry and academia.

Rebecca Wood, Charity Director, The Evelyn Trust

Rebecca is former CEO of Alzheimer's Research UK (ARUK), and Blue Smile, the Cambridgeshire charity giving counselling in schools.

She has continued her interest in children's mental health through her role with the children's brain tumour charity, Tom's Trust, and as a trustee of children's bereavement charity, Stars.

This combined interest in medical research and involvement in expert community-focused charities was a perfect fit for her new role with The Evelyn Trust.

Rebecca enjoys her role in the Trust and works in a team with her husband, Dr Nigel Wood, who is the Trust's Grants Coordinator.