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A new sergeant is joining three Derby South Safer Neighbourhood Teams after working as Reactive Team Leader at Derby South section, based at Swadlincote.

Sgt Steve Todd brings a wide range of experience with him to the area. He joined the Constabulary in 1992 and was a patrol officer at Long Eaton for six years before joining CID. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2002 and has worked at Belper, Ilkeston and Long Eaton as Reactive Sergeant and also as Detective Sergeant on CID.

Prior to joining the team at South Derbyshire, Steve was a Custody Officer at St Mary's Wharf police station in Derby, one of the busiest custody suites in the country.

Sgt Steve Todd said: "The area's I will manage with my teams will span from Hilton and Etwall in the North East, through Repton and Willington in the Mercia area across to Aston and Weston on Trent in the North West area.

"Whilst I will have office space at the Melbourne police office on Ashby Road at Melbourne, I am looking forward to getting out across the entire area and working with partner agencies and the local community across the three areas that I will manage with my teams."

Steve is married with three children. In his spare time he walks with his black Labrador dog, Mr Montgomery, and spends time working in his allotment garden.

He learnt to sail in Derbyshire and had a successful career racing International 505 dinghies on Foremarke reservoir and also winning trophies at National and International level before joining the Constabulary. He is still a keen yachtsman and recently took part in an Ocean passage, sailing a yacht back to the UK from the Azores.

Sgt Steve Todd said, "This experience brought home the need to work effectively as a team; the Atlantic Ocean is a big place and when you are 500 miles from the nearest land in a relatively small boat, everybody has to work together.

"I am looking forward to bringing my experience of policing and of working as part of a team, to work proactively with the community and partner agencies to help resolve local problems."

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