

Police Scotland announce two new Temporary Assistant Chief Constables



Deputy Chief Constable Iain Livingstone has announced two new Temporary Assistant Chief Constables to bolster the Police Scotland command team.

Speaking yesterday at the Scottish Police Authority meeting in Stirling, DCC Livingstone said the SPA board had agreed to appoint Chief Superintendents Gillian MacDonald and Alan Speirs into the new roles.

Both officers have successfully completed the Strategic Command Course and are therefore qualified to be Chief Officers.

T/ACC MacDonald will be responsible for the portfolio of Major Crime, Local Crime and Public Protection.

T/ACC Speirs will be responsible for Professionalism and Assurance, including Professional Standards, Legal Services and other elements of data and corporate assurance. This is a new command created by DCC Livingstone to reflect the level of risk and public interest in this area.

DCC Livingstone said: "This is clearly a challenging time for policing in Scotland and my focus continues to be on meeting the operational and organisational challenges we face, and providing the leadership of policing that the people of Scotland rightly expect.

"I remain in charge of day-to-day policing, strongly supported by my colleagues in the Force Executive, together with the command teams in every part of Local Policing in Scotland, as

well as specialist national departments.

“Leadership exists across all aspects of policing, from my role as the Deputy Chief Constable all the way through the organisation to the Police Constables serving their local communities.

“I have absolute confidence in the leadership provided by all the officers and staff that serve in Police Scotland, and the qualities, skills and experience that we collectively possess.”