



Mr Cooper took up his post on 4th January 2008 as Assistant Chief Constable. Mr Cooper joined the ACPO team in January as Assistant Chief Constable, replacing Peter Driver.

To date, Mr Cooper has had a varied policing career spanning over thirty years. He has extensive operational experience from joining Merseyside Police as a cadet in 1975 before becoming a member of the regular force in 1978. His career began as a Police Constable in the City of Liverpool, after which he was promoted to Sergeant in 1984 and posted to Toxteth. Following that he joined CID and was promoted to Detective Inspector in 1997. By 1999, Mr Cooper became the Head of CID in Liverpool South where, over a three year period, he had exposure in solving many major crimes in the area. In 2002 he was promoted to Uniform Superintendent, taking command of 900 operational officers in Liverpool North BCU. This BCU accounted for 70% of the Constabulary's murders and firearms discharges. By August 2004, he was successful in the promotion process to Chief Superintendent in Greater Manchester Police Force where he became Divisional Commander for South Manchester Division.

Mr Cooper is an experienced firearms Commander, a trained Senior Investigating Officer and CBRN Commander. He also holds a Master of Science Degree and a Post Graduate Diploma in Management Studies. Away from work, Mr Cooper enjoys sports, in particular football and cricket.