



## ABOUT ME

**My name is  
Jamie.**

**I used to go to  
Headlands  
and now I am  
a traffic  
constable.**

## ABOUT MY JOB

I have worked as a police officer for North Yorkshire Police for the past 16 years. I joined the police aged 20.

I am a police advanced driver for both cars and motorbikes. I am one of only 15 advanced motorcyclists in North Yorkshire. I am a trained senior investigating officer for fatal traffic collisions, which means that if someone dies on a road, it is my responsibility to lead the investigation into what happens.

My job is to reduce collisions and to keep the roads safe, I deal with people from all walks of life, and see people at their best and their worst. I have to sometimes see the most tragic, awful and horrific things you could ever imagine.

I am usually the first on the scene of collisions and have to deal with the aftermath of that. It is something which stays with you forever.

Having said all of that, I also truly believe that I have the best job in the world. I am trained to drive at speeds you can only imagine, on public roads in some of the best cars and motorbikes there are. I get to chase criminals who try to escape from me, and be involved in Tactical Pursuit and Containment (TPAC) where vehicles are safely stopped by boxing them in.

I work mostly alone, with my patch being 900 square miles. I can decide where I go and patrol within that area, and am trusted to target the hot spot areas within that patch.

## SCHOOL RESULTS

I left Headlands Sixth Form in 2002.  
I only wish I could remember my grades.

## FAVOURITE MEMORIES

I have many. I was keen on Drama and spent a lot of my spare time in the hall working on the lighting rig, or sound equipment. I was in a few plays including the ones for my exams.

I used to enjoy school trips, visiting London on a few occasions, as well as other places.

I met my wife of 12 years at Headlands, and made some great friendships.

## WHAT I DID NEXT

I worked at a local supermarket until I was able to apply for and join the police.

## MY ADVICE TO STUDENTS

**Have a goal and do all you need to, to achieve that goal. Don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something. If you want it bad enough, you will achieve it.**

**Be polite – there is absolutely nothing wrong with being nice to people, you will be remembered as a nice person and at some point in your life, that will be of great help.**

**Treat others as you would want to be treated yourself, and be careful who you upset on the way up, you never know who you might meet on the way back down again.**

**And lastly – if you fail your exams, it's not the end of the world. The job I do required no exams to get in. It was about the type of person I was that was important, not how I could perform in an exam.**



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