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Keith Sillitoe started his career in 1970 in the London Fire Brigade as an operational junior fireman based in central London; he rose through the ranks to become Assistant Chief Officer in charge of Fire Safety Division at Lambeth HQ and retired in April 2000 embarking on a new career path as a Health & Safety Consultant.



He immediately took on a one year short term contract with the London Borough of Southwark as a Health & Safety Consultant, where he was responsible for supporting and improving the safety performance of all 104 schools, of which many had failed an Ofsted inspection.

In April 2001, he then commenced working for HMP Prison Service based at HMP Wandsworth as Health & Safety Manager. In 2002 Keith was promoted to the Home Office as Principle Health & Safety Adviser for the South-East Region UK where he was the lead audit manager for the Home Office Health, Safety & Welfare Services with responsibility for H&S training, ISO 18001/2 auditing in HM Prisons and technical service delivery across all Home Office departments.

He transferred over to the newly formed Ministry of Justice as Head of Corporate Health & Safety Branch in May 2007 responsible for the operational health and safety functions for HM Prison Service, HM Courts Service & Tribunals, Probation Service and the newly re-formed National Offender Management Service (NOMS).

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 after retiring from The Ministry of Justice Keith set up Universal Safety Consultants Ltd providing fire safety technical services at Kingston Hospital, IOSH Training courses at Imperial College and asbestos and legionella management and surveying at Bart's Health Foundation Trust. In June 2013 Keith commenced employment as a senior consultant working for the British Safety Council specialising in fire safety, asbestos management and auditing.

Keith is also appointed as a Justice of the Peace and sits as Bench Chairman in the South London JLA Magistrates Courts Area at Croydon & Camberwell. He is a Chartered Fellow of The Institution of Occupational Safety & Health (CFIOSH) and a Member of the Institution of Fire Engineers. He currently chairs a Ministry of Justice LCD Joint Training, Approvals, Advisory & Appraisal Committee (JTAAAC) on behalf of the Ministry of Justice.