

## Biography

Derek Franklin Thomas

A member of the St. Helena Police Service from 1977-2009, progressing through the ranks to Chief of Police during the last nine years. Undertook a number of specialist training courses, including the Superintendents course at the Police Staff College Bram hill in the United Kingdom.

2009-2021, served as a Member of St Helena Legislative Council, eight years of which served as a member of Executive Council and Chairman of the Public Health Committee. Undertook a number of conferences, including being a member of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Executive Committee  
Was the lead representative for St. Helena at the Joint Ministerial Conferences JMC from 2016 -2021? With the support of other Executive Council Members, Politicians and officials, managed and protected the island from COVID 19 from 2018 -2021.

Worked in the United Kingdom from 2022 -2025, as Head of Security and Facility Services at BBC Studios in Bristol.