



## **Edwina Amy Sykes DE(UK) CUDE**

Edwina Sykes retired as a Sergeant in 1997 after serving in both Cheshire and Greater Manchester Police Forces for nearly 30 years.

At present, she is an Advisor for the Police Dependant's Trust, working from the Federation Office at Stockport.

Involved with Credit Unions since 1987, Edwina started out as a Director with what was then, Greater Manchester Police Credit Union. After two mergers, it has since become what we know it as today; No1 CopperPot Credit Union. She has, in the past, been the Anti-Money Laundering Officer, a member of the Credit Committee and also a member of both the Marketing and Training Sub Committees. She is currently Secretary of the Credit Union.

Edwina is very passionate about the Greater Manchester Chapter of Credit Unions being active again and is pleased to report that this is now achieved and the Chapter is up and running again.

She is a graduate of the first Credit Union Development Education Program Class of 2004. The Program is an intensive six day program on Credit Union uniqueness and social responsibility. She was also very fortunate to attend the National Credit Union Program in Madison, USA which educates participants from all over the world, so they were all able to share their experiences.

Edwina has helped York Credit Union Study Group to obtain status from the FSA which was obtained in 2006. Hailing from the city herself, she was once proud to be President and is now Secretary and they have now extended their Common Bond to become North Yorkshire Credit Union.

In the past, Edwina has been involved in presentations at the ABCUL AGM in Blackpool and at the ABCUL Autumn Conference. She is currently Secretary of ABCUL.

When not involved in her Credit Union work, Edwina is a Senior Examiner with the Institute of Advanced Motorists, runs a Cat Rescue, and is also in her final year of a 4 year counselling course. With any spare time left after that, she enjoys riding her Motor Cycle.