**Biography – John Edwards, Regional Schools Commissioner for**

**East Midlands and Humber**



John Edwards started in his role on 8 May 2017, following Jenny Bexon-Smith’s retirement. Before his appointment, John was Director of Education and Skills at Manchester City Council.  Earlier in his career he also worked as:

* a mathematics teacher and senior leader in secondary schools in Yorkshire
* a Principal Examiner for Mathematics
* Service Director for Schools and Lifelong Learning at Wakefield Council
* Assistant Director for Learning at Kirklees Council