

# I LOVE MY JOB!

**John Tatton, Maintenance Manager, Waste to Energy Plant, SUEZ**



- **Where did you go to school?** Trentham High School in Stoke on Trent
- **What path did you take to get to your current position?** 24 years in the Army as an Aircraft Technician
- **What subjects did you study?** I left school with 5 GCSEs. I studied aircraft engineering as part of an apprenticeship and then went on to gain qualifications in Business Studies and Technology Management.
- **How many jobs have you had, and can you name them?** 2; My current role and my Army career.
- **What school subjects link to your career?** Metalwork, Design, Maths, Business Studies, IT.
- **A typical day in your current role looks like:** A typical day involves ensuring all the reactive maintenance has been carried out, approving expenditure and coordinating activities across the plant.
- **What skills do you use daily, that you learnt at school?** Working in a team, communicating with people and displaying a good work ethic.
- **What is the number #1 piece of advice you've been given that helped you with your career choice?** Have confidence in your ability. No one knows everything.
- **Where do you see yourself in 5 years?** I am currently content in my role so I can't see myself moving at the moment.
- **What is the average salary for this role?** About £60K
- **If you could have done anything differently on your career journey, what would it be?** Exploiting the travelling opportunities that the Army has to offer. I stayed at home way too much!

## Why do you love your job?

**Always a challenge, close to home and good work/life balance.**