

Cdr Chris Sharp
Royal Navy

Commanding Officer
HMS LANCASTER
(Port)



Cdr Chris Sharp joined Britannia Royal Naval College in 2007 after three years studying Marine Geography at Cardiff University. Fleet-time appointments included the Type 42 destroyers GLOUCESTER and NOTTINGHAM and HUNT Class MCMVs. His first complement appointment was in MCMVs as a navigator, predominantly in the Middle East.

Following staff training, Sharp joined HMS LANCASTER initially as OOW1 and latterly as her Navigator, deploying to the Caribbean to provide support to Overseas Territories and counter-narcotics patrols. Upon successful completion of CQ1, Sharp was selected as XO of HMS MERSEY, completing Maritime Enforcement duties in the UK as well as generating for an ATP(N) deployment. His time in FPS concluded with 6 months as XO of HMS CLYDE in the South Atlantic.

Passing PWO course in 2017, Sharp joined HMS ARGYLL as PWO U and Operations Officer, deploying on a 9 month Middle East / Asia-Pacific deployment. This was followed by a staff appointment in CSF in the Plans Dept. Selected for Command in 2019, Sharp joined MCM2 Crew 1 in Jul 20 as the Commanding Officer, deploying 3 times in HMS CHIDDINGFOLD, predominantly leading with the integration of autonomous offboard systems in MCMVs in the Middle East. Following MCMV Command and promotion to Commander, he was appointed as the Maritime Director for Op ISOTROPE, responsible for the Maritime element of the English Channel small boats migrant crisis. Sharp assumes Command of LANCASTER (Port) in March 23.

Sharp lives in Dorset with his wife Hannah and two-year-old son Angus.