



The ceremony outside the town council offices in South Street. Picture Order No FD26-146-15 www.farnhamherald.com

A celebration of our armed forces

FARNHAM Town Council, Waverley Borough Council and Surrey County Council hosted a flag-raising ceremony on Monday to honour the brave men and women of Britain's armed forces past and present. It marked the start of Armed Forces Week, which will culminate in a national celebration in Guildford tomorrow (Saturday)

Representatives from the Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment, the Army Benevolent Fund, Royal British Legion and 229 Air Squadron Air Training Corps gathered as the Mayor of Farnham, Pat Frost raised the official Armed Forces' Day flag outside of the council offices on South Street.

Herald proprietor Sir Ray

Tindle and Ian Hunter from the Royal British Legion, the town's cadet forces, and pupils from All Hallows School and Farnham College also attended the event.

Mrs Frost said: "This simple act shows support for the Armed Forces who are busy working around the world, promoting peace, delivering aid, tackling drug smugglers, providing security and

fighting terrorism. It also provides a much-valued morale boost for the troops and their families. Farnham Town Council is pleased to add its support for the armed forces."

In thanking the mayor and Farnham Town Council for hosting the flag-raising ceremony, Captain Willie McKeane from the Army Reserve Centre in Farnham said "Armed Forces Day and the events

around it provide an opportunity for the whole of the UK to celebrate our armed forces.

"It also provides some recognition for the magnificent contribution they make, not only to the defence of our nation, but to people around the world. It also recognises the role of the cadet adult staff and volunteers contribution to the cadet movement."