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PRESS RELEASE

High Ranks abound at H.M. Lord Lieutenant's Service

Air Cadets from 22 (Sandy) Squadron were invited guests of H.M. Lord Lieutenant for Bedfordshire at his Service for Voluntary Youth Organisations, which was held on 21st May at St Andrew's Church Biggleswade.

Guests included the Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Bedfordshire Col. R Mason OBE TD DL, Deputy Lieutenants including Air Cdre Thomas Benson, representatives from Bedfordshire County Council and Mid Beds District Council, The Mayor of Biggleswade and her consort, various Mayors and Mayoresses from the local vicinity and representatives from voluntary youth organisations. Sqn Ldr Barry Testro represented the Officer Commanding Bedfordshire & Cambridgeshire Wing Air Cadets, Wg Cdr Paul Bower.

The Lord Lieutenant, Mr Sam Whitbread, had a chance to talk to the Cadets and Staff following the Service, as did Deputy Lieutenant Sir Neville and Lady Bowman-Shaw and Air Cdr Peter Ayee CBE DL RAF (Ret'd) who asked the Cadets what activities they did at the Squadron, how long they been in, and if they enjoyed it, he told them he had been the Station Commander at RAF Henlow twice before his retirement, and asked if their Commanding Officer was doing a good job! The High Sheriff Mr Richard Banks also said how nice it was to see the Cadets again at a local function. Many positive comments were received on the standards of their uniform and deportment, especially their shoes.

One Cadet was heard to say "There are so many high ranking people here I don't know who to salute first".



22 Squadron are actively recruiting Cadets both male and female age 13 plus, log on to the website at www.sandy-aircadets.org.uk or ring 01234 307776 for further information.

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Photo 22 Sqn Cadets and OC 22 Sqn with H.M. Lord Lieutenant Mr Sam Whitbread
Photo 22Sqn Cadets with the High Sheriff Mr Richard Banks and Air Cdre Peter Ayee CBE DL RAF
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