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PRESS RELEASE

DON'T YOU DARE RAIN ON MY PARADE.

The band of 272 (Wisbech) Squadron Air Cadets defied heavy showers to lead the civic parade in honour of the new Mayor of Wisbech, Councillor Jonathon Farmer. Drum Major Cpl Tim Atkins is pictured leading the parade. The band escorted the new Mayor and his party from the town hall to the parish church for the civic service.

After the service the parade reformed, this time the mayor, his aldermen and councillors were joined by his guests, visiting mayors and council chairmen from all over, Cambridgeshire, Lincolnshire and Norfolk. The 272 banded headed the mayoral procession giving a fine display of marching, drumming, lyre and bugle music.

After the parade the mayor was so pleased with the cadets he invited the whole band, together with the squadron staff and helpers to this reception in the town hall. He said "I have been impressed by the skill and the quality of the turnout of these cadets, I am former Air Cadet myself and they bring back many memories. These young people are real ambassadors for the town". The 272 Squadron Commander, Flight Lieutenant Jeff Goodley said "We feel extremely privileged to lead the Mayor's parade, the band was only reformed just over a year ago and now we are have bookings throughout the summer. I am extremely proud of the show these cadets have put on today. The Mayor is right, these cadets are ambassadors, but not only for the town, but for the whole Air Cadet Corps as well".

Air Cadets is for anyone, young people aged 13 to 17 can join and benefit from activities such as flying, adventure training, citizenship and technical training. Adults can become staff or civilian committee members, knowing that by giving a few hours a month they can help the next generation achieve so much.

For more information about how you too can become involved in Air Cadets call Flt Lt Jeff Goodley on 07050 222600.

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Picture: 272 (Wisbech) Sqn band leading the new mayor's Civic parade through the town.

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