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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **We Will Remember Them**

Though most may not realise it, the Remembrance Parade on the Sunday nearest the 11<sup>th</sup> November is actually the culmination of several week's work.

In the weeks running up to the parade, many people are working hard to get things ready such as organising the groups that will be attending, handing out executive tasks, ordering wreaths etcetera. One of the teams working very much in public are the cadets of 207 (Cranfield) Squadron Air Training Corps (ATC). They are seen outside Budgens and the Co-Op selling poppies and on the day preceding the parade attend a short rehearsal before ensuring that the memorial and surroundings are in pristine condition for the parade.

On the morning of the parade, the Squadron had an excellent turn-out and were joined by serving a RAF officer and airman along with what seemed to be the whole of the village who attended to pay their respect to those who paid the ultimate price during the 2 world wars.

Following the church service the cadets laid poppy crosses on the graves of the village fallen. To complete the parade, the Air Cadets had a march-past and paid their respects to the present veterans of the Royal British Legion. On dismissal, the Squadron played host to other youth organisations with tea, coffee and cakes being offered at their Squadron Headquarters.

Flight Lieutenant Paul Weston, Officer Commanding 207 Squadron said: *'It was poignant to see all the youth organisations and villagers joined together to remember not only the fallen of the village but all those who gave their lives for the freedom we enjoy today.'*

207 Squadron are now recruiting new cadets from the age of 13 to 18. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact the Squadron on 01234 752030 or call in at their Headquarters off Merchants Lane, Cranfield between the times of 7:30pm and 9:30pm on a Monday or Thursday evening.

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#### Notes to Editor

- Attached photo #1: 'Parade 1'
  - 'The Union Flag flies at the village centre.'
- Attached photo #2: 'Parade 2'
  - 'The Air Cadets and members of the Royal British Legion'
- Attached photo #3: 'Parade 3'
  - 'The newly refurbished Village War Memorial'



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