



## Press Release

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# Fenland District Council reconfirms its commitment to supporting the Armed Forces Community

Fenland District Council has reconfirmed its commitment to supporting the Armed Forces Community with the signing of its own district covenant.

Fenland District Council has long been committed to being supportive of the Armed Forces Community and by signing its own Armed Forces Covenant, superseding the 2011 Armed Forces Community Covenant, has now developed support and actions that align with all service areas across the council.

Cllr Susan Wallwork, portfolio holder for communities, said: “We were delighted to sign the covenant to revalidate our commitment to the Armed Forces Community and proud to become the first of the district and county Cambridgeshire authorities to do so.

“We recognise the contribution that service personnel, both regular and reservist, veterans and military families make to all of us, our community and to the country.”

The covenant states that the council will ensure members of the Armed Forces Community don't face disadvantages arising from their service in the provision of public and commercial services. And, in some circumstances, special provision may be justified, especially for those who have given the most, such as the injured or bereaved.

Local veterans from all branches of the Armed Forces attended the ceremony along with a representative from 1220 (March) Air Training Corps.

The district council website carries signposting to support for the Armed Forces Community at [www.fenland.gov.uk/article/13489/Support-for-the-Armed-Forces-Community](http://www.fenland.gov.uk/article/13489/Support-for-the-Armed-Forces-Community)

### **Ends**

### **Photos:**

- Cllr Susan Wallwork, centre, signs the covenant with, left, Tommy Kelly, Armed Forces Covenant Partnership Coordinator, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough and district council chairman Cllr Nick Meekins.
- Cllr Susan Wallwork, centre, signs the covenant with representatives of the council and Armed Forces Community.

### **Notes to Editors**

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