Odiham Parish Council

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
Chinook Force

45 Years of Operations



1980s	2000s	2010s	2020s
Falklands 1982 - 2007	Sierra Leone 2000	Libya 2011	RESCRIPT 2020-2021
Beirut 1983-1984	Afghanistan 2001-2002	SHADER 2013-Current	PITTING 2021
Northern Island 1998 – 2004	Gulf War 2 Iraq 2003-2006	Afghanistan (Kabul) 2014-2015	METEORIC 2021-2022
Gulf War 1 Iraq 1990-1991	Pakistan 2005	ME/NA 2015-2017	ALUMINIUM 2022
Turkey 1991	Lebanon 2006	Falklands 2016-2017	TUTORLESS 2022
Balkans 1995	Afghanistan 2006-2014	RUMAN (Caribbean) 2017	PELEDA 2022
Bosnia 1995 -2001	Ethiopia 2007	NEWCOMBE 2018-2022	RAVENSTONE 2023
Albania 1997	Iraq 2008		CHAMBRAY 2023
Kosovo 1999			ARENGA 2024
			Op F Activation 2024
			Aerial Fire Fighting 2025 & 2026

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Recent Activity



Ex PINION STORM



Ex HORNETS NEST



Aerial Fire Fighting



Ex DARK LIGHTNING



KBF – London helilanes



Ex HATHI POL

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RAF Odiham

What Are We

- Home to the Chinook Force.
- Part of the community.
- Workforce.
  - Establishment ~1700.
  - Military strength ~ 1400.



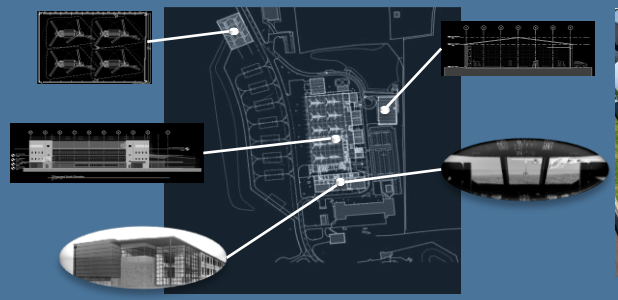
The Challenge

- The lived experience – legacy infrastructure
- Cost of living £30,346 pa.
- Whole Force Shortfalls.
- Odiham Bolthole.
- Road Safety & public transport
- Families Accommodation



The Opportunity

- RAF Recruit & Retain – Workforce Growth
- Improve lived experience
- Sport.
- Innovative investment.
- WACC & Community Support
- New aircraft.





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Capable, Trusted, Ready

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ODIHAM
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