**Stevenage to Celebrate Armed Forces Day with Packed Town Centre Event**

Stevenage will join villages, towns and cities across the UK this June proudly flying the flag for Armed Forces Day. The event in the town centre will be held on **Saturday 21 June 2025 from 10am-4pm**. There’s a jam-packed schedule planned, and we’re really excited for you to join a day filled with free, family-friendly activities.

There’s an extra special treat in store for residents and visitors this year with Stevenage having been selected in the flight route for the **Battle of Britain flyover**. This fantastic opportunity is definitely not to be missed. It's dependent on the weather conditions being right and if all goes to plan will **take place at 1:25pm**. Keep watch for any details on our social media channels.

This national event is a chance for our community to show appreciation for the brave men and women who serve - and have served - in the Armed Forces. It’s also a great opportunity to get involved and learn more about military careers and experiences, with cadets, officers and veterans on hand to share their stories and insights.

**Thinking of a career change or just starting out?** Armed Forces Day offers a unique window into the many roles available in the Armed Forces, with real-life accounts of life in service.

Head over to **Event Island and Town Square**, where a lively schedule awaits the whole family and you can find the charities joining us on the day:

* Gurkha Welfare Trust
* Stevenage Army Cadets
* SSAFA
* Royal Naval Association
* Army Careers
* Kaotic Angels

There’s still time for additional groups to join, so keep an eye out for new arrivals.

**Event highlights include:**

* A display of a **replica 1917 SE5a Biplane**
* Performances by **Harpenden Marching Band** and **Alex Shows**
* **Free face painting** and children’s activities
* A wide selection of **street food** and local dining options
* Veterans an opportunity to share your memories with **Let’s Create Memories** featuring in our S**tevenage Veterans Memories Book.**

Whether you're soaking up the performances, browsing charity stalls, or enjoying the family-friendly activities, there’s something for everyone.

**Councillor Claire Parris,** Armed Forces Champion and St Nicholas Ward Councillor at SBC said: “Our Armed Forces are a team of service men and women who are an asset to our country. Armed Forces Day brings our community together to recognise and thank these people for their dedication. Their work - whether promoting peace, providing aid, or ensuring our security - is something we deeply value.

“Events like this are only possible thanks to the dedication of our incredible volunteers. Your support makes all the difference, so please come along, bring friends and family, and enjoy a fantastic day in Stevenage. Don’t forget to share your photos with us using **@lovestevenagetc**.”

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**The full event schedule is below, so put a date in your diary and don’t miss out. See you there!**

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| 10am | Event opening |
| 10am | Marching Band |
| 10.30am-1.30pm | Face Painter, Forum Square |
| 11.30am, 12.45pm, 2pm | Alex Shows UK – Vintage Singer |
| 1pm - 4pm | Balloon modelling, Littlewood Corner |
| 1:25pm | Battle of Britain Flyover |