



356 (Felixstowe) Squadron

Air Training Corps

In December 2024 the Felixstowe Town council kindly donated £1,000 towards a full MTA Teams kit for 356 (Felixstowe) Squadron ATC. The MTA teams kit is a 2-bag kit of hard plastic equipment with 16 exercises suitable for a variety of users from corporate events to your local RAF Air Cadet Squadron. The kits are designed to create leaders, improve leaders and foster a positive team spirit among all participants.

The defence community is changing, the RAF is changing and their RAF Air Cadet branch is changing with it. New equipment like the kit the Felixstowe Town Council have contributed too are part of using new techniques to develop the innovators and critical thinkers of tomorrow.

This equipment has enabled our Squadron to further its progress across the RAF Air Cadets progressive training syllabus particularly within Blue, and soon to be Bronze leadership, with 16 new exercises for the Cadets which are of the highest quality.

With equipment like this and other modernisation undertaken over the last year, 356 Felixstowe Squadron ATC has recently moved from strength to strength. We have increased Cadet numbers from 23 to 31 with exciting recruitment plans ahead, we have sent Cadets across the UK on exciting Adventure training camps and D of E expeditions, Cadets have taken to the skies for the first time in powered aircraft and gliders, Cadets have brought home many sporting awards in swimming, cross country and athletics, we have supported many community events such as the carnival, 3 poppy appeals and the Lancaster bomber crash memorial. On March 29th 2025 our Squadron triumphed in the annual South and East Suffolk Sector Air Cadet Field competition for the 2nd year running.



The next months of the year are equally if not more exciting as we gear up for a summer of big ticket items such as a Cadet gaining a gliding scholarship, Cadets going shooting, a Cadet becoming the first official Mayors Cadet of Felixstowe in over 10 years, many Cadets signed up for residential camps and courses across the UK and a large recruitment program ready for September.

