

EXCITING DISPLAYS ANNOUNCED AS AIR SHOW TICKETS GO ON SALE

Today tickets for the Royal Air Force Cosford Air Show 2017 went on sale, with the organising team announcing the first flying display set to impress the crowds on Sunday 11th June next year.

As ever the Air Show will be focused around a selection of themes; 'Battlefield Support' is the key operational theme for 2017, with an aim to showcase aircraft which play an important role in times of conflict. As part of this theme, the flying display will feature a unique role demonstration from a pair of BAC Strikemaster Mk.82 jets. As well as a demonstration of impressive close formation flying, the two Strikemasters will also perform a mock airfield attack featuring pyrotechnics which is set to add an explosive element to the flying display!

The theme of showcasing Battlefield Support will not just feature in the air, but also with a number of exciting ground displays. A key attraction on the ground for 2017 will be a simulated 'Forward Operating Base' which will include vehicles and weapons from across the Ministry of Defence as well as an array of military helicopters. Peter Reoch, Air Show Operations Manager, said "We're really excited about our operational theme of Battlefield Support and we're working to secure aircraft from the UK & Overseas to complement the theme. It's early days but already we think that this year's displays will be bigger and better than ever before!"

The RAF Cosford Air Show is one of the West Midlands' most popular outdoor events, with over 50,000 people visiting the show in 2016. The Air Show will again be an Advanced Ticket Only event, a decision which has helped the organising team improve traffic management in recent years. Those who book their tickets early will also be rewarded with a reduced 'early-bird' ticket price of only £22.00 which is recommended to avoid disappointment.

Early-Bird tickets for the RAF Cosford Air Show 2017 are on sale now, priced at £22.00 and with free entry for accompanied Under-16s. Tickets are available online from www.cosfordairshow.co.uk

Notes to editors:

- Please ensure the event is referred to as the “**RAF Cosford Air Show**” as this will fall in line with our branding and corporate identity.
- The RAF Cosford Air Show 2017 will be held on Sunday 11th June.
- The RAF Cosford Air Show is an ADVANCE TICKET ONLY event. Those who travel to the event without a ticket will not be admitted.
- Our official website is www.cosfordairshow.co.uk
- When posting on Social Media, please ‘tag’ our official channels:
Facebook Page: **RAF Cosford Air Show (Official)**
Twitter Handle: **@CosfordAirShow**
- Early bird air show tickets are priced £22.00, and are available online at www.cosfordairshow.co.uk. From Tuesday 28th March tickets will be priced at £25.00 each.
- Admission is FREE for all under-16s accompanied by an adult.
- For those travelling by train to the RAF Cosford Air Show, joint travel/air show tickets are available from any manned railway station in the UK. More details will be announced in March 2017.
- Full Details of aircraft scheduled to participate in the Flying Displays and Static Displays can be found on the website. More aircraft will be announced over the coming months.
- For further information on the event, in-depth interviews or pictures please contact the Air Show Office email press@cosfordairshow.co.uk, visit the website or call 01902 377922