



## Freedom of the Town



A very exceptional event is to be held at Hunstanton on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

The Freedom of the Town is to be granted to United States 67<sup>th</sup> Special Operations Squadron and to the late Reis Leming's family as a mark of gratitude and recognition of the heroic participation during and in the aftermath of the 1953 floods when 31 people, both British and American lost their lives in Hunstanton.

The parade of the American servicemen led by the Norwich Pipe Band will start at the Community Centre in Avenue Road and move through Westgate to the Spinney where it will join the parade of the VIP Guests and dignitaries, which will leave the Town Hall and pass along the High Street. The two parades will meet at the Spinney where the ceremony of the granting of the Freedom to the 67<sup>th</sup> SOS will take place at 12 noon led by the Mayor of Hunstanton, Councillor Carol Bower. The scroll granting the Freedom of the Town will be presented to Lt Col. John Peak, Commander of the 67<sup>th</sup> Special Operations Squadron.

The 67<sup>th</sup> SOS will then exercise its right to parade through the town with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating and colours flying by marching along the High Street, turning left into Greevegate, down The Green and finishing at Cliff Parade.

The ceremony granting the Freedom of the Town to the Leming family will be in the Town Hall during a private Civic Reception.

The Hunstanton Concert Band will be performing from 1 pm at the Spinney.

Why not join us to mark this very special day