SUFFOLK CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY

PARHAM AIRFIELD MUSEUM, near FRAMLINGHAM on WEDNESDAY 30th APRIL 2025

We hope you will be able to join us on Wednesday 30th April at <u>Parham Airfield</u> <u>Museum</u> near Framlingham where we have arranged an exclusive group visit for the Society. The site comprises both the <u>USAF 390th Bomb Group Memorial Air Museum</u> together with the <u>Museum of the British Resistance Organisation</u>. The airfield was used by the USAF from 1943 to 1945 for B-17 (Flying Fortress) bombers. Of the 3500 airmen who served at Parham, 743 were killed or missing in action and 740 became Prisoners of War. The Chair of the Museum Trustees, Peter Senior will give us a talk covering the USAF story at Parham and the history of the British Resistance Organisation – the 'Secret Army'. Had Britain been invaded these Auxiliaries would have fought a ruthless guerrilla war.

After a buffet lunch there will be an opportunity to tour the extensive exhibitions which house a unique collection of engines, equipment and wartime memorabilia. You will also be able to visit the original airfield Control Tower and a reconstruction of the underground Stratford St Andrew Operational Base used by the local British Resistance Organisation. Please note that access to the Control Tower is by steep steps which may not be suitable for those with limited mobility.

The programme for the event is;

10.30-11.00am: Meet in the Parham Airfield Museum reception hall for tea/coffee. The postcode for satnav users is IP13 9AF. There is ample car parking space near the museum. The what3words location finder is: dates.craziest.spike

11.00am: Talk by Peter Senior, Chair of the Museum trustees

12.30pm: Buffet lunch – selection of sandwiches, tarts, sausage rolls, cakes.

1.30pm: Visit the museum exhibits, the Control Tower and the underground Operational Base.

The cost is £22 per person.

Please use the simple and secure <u>ONLINE FORM</u> to pay by Credit or Debit card. If you wish to pay by cheque, please complete the enclosed Invitation Form and post with your cheque to David Smith, SCS Treasurer/Secretary at the address on the Form. If you are not on email, please enclose a s.a.e with your completed Invitation Form and cheque.

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