

City MP represents the UK at Falklands Remembrance service

City MP Mark Lancaster will be 8,000 miles from his usual spot at Newport Pagnell War memorial this Remembrance Sunday as he represents the British Government by laying a wreath at the war memorial in Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands.

Britain traditionally sends a Minister to represent the Government each year to the Falklands and this year Mark has been selected because of his role in the Ministry of Defence and his continuing service as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Reserve Forces.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Falklands war which followed the Argentinean invasion of the islands and it is expected that over 50 veterans will be flying to the islands as part of the commemorations.

Commenting Mark said:"I would normally never miss Remembrance Sunday in Newport Pagnell but I am deeply honoured to be asked to represent the Government in the Falklands, given the significance of the commemorations this year I think it is absolutely the right thing to do and sends a clear message to the islanders as to the strength of support the have here in the UK."

Mark Lancaster will be attending ceremonies at Port Stanley, Goose Green the site of one of the major battles of the war as well as a service of remembrance at Stanley Cathedral during his five day trip.