

# PROTECTING OUR NATION'S INTERESTS

As an Island nation, our prosperity and security is totally dependent on our ability to access the sea. The UK is reliant on a stable global market for the raw materials, energy and manufactured goods which underpin our way of life and, in a globalised world, we must have the ability to respond to any event that threatens our economy or national interests. That is why the Royal Navy is globally deployed and has a range of versatile ships, submarines and aircraft operated by highly professional Sailors, Aviators and Royal Marine Commandos. The Royal Navy continues to police the use of the sea in partnership with allies and retains the unique ability to influence events at sea, on land and in the air providing real flexibility of choice to both military and political leaders.

## THE ROYAL NAVY IS:



### PREVENTING CONFLICT

The Royal Navy prevents conflict by being globally deployed in order to deter threats by reassuring regional powers and stabilising potential hotspots. The coercive nature of a credible military force at sea has significant worth in re-enforcing political will.



### PROVIDING HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

The Royal Navy provides humanitarian aid and relief from the sea without the need to draw on a country's infrastructure or resources.



### PROVIDING SECURITY AT SEA

The Royal Navy is at sea every day, working with international partners to provide global maritime security where it is needed.



### PROTECTING OUR ECONOMY

The Royal Navy contributes to the stability and economic prosperity of the UK by being deployed around the globe in order to protect trade routes and guard the flow of energy resources into our ports.



### PROMOTING PARTNERSHIPS

The Royal Navy promotes stable and co-operative relationships with friendly and neutral nations around the world through working together, training together and determining common understanding.



### READY TO FIGHT

The Royal Navy is ready to fight and win in combat at sea, on land or in the air.

## THESE ARE ENABLED BY:

Our Sailors, Aviators and Marines who are a highly skilled and efficient force. They are the life blood of our service, able to adapt to whatever the mission demands and are key to delivering success anywhere in the world.

