

Brigadier (Retd) Mark Pountain CBE

Mark attended Ardingly College where he joined the CCF, was a member of the Shooting Team, and ended up as senior member of the RAF Section. Having joined the Royal Artillery as a Gunner, he was awarded an Army cadetship, attended Exeter University, and was commissioned into the Royal Artillery finally leaving the Army as a brigadier in 2012. Since leaving the Army, Mark has held a number of roles, including working for a major international management consultancy, and running a candle-making business.

Mark has been involved in charities, including young people programmes, as a volunteer for over a decade. He is a former primary school governor and commander of St John Ambulance Wiltshire, in which role he actively championed First Aid training in schools, and he is a charitable trustee. He is thrilled to have been invited to take over from Robert Bruce and support the Cadet movement with all that CCRS can offer. Mark is married with four children, enjoys most sports, and lives in Wiltshire.