Royal patronage continues for Legion Scotland

King Charles III has been confirmed as the new patron of The Royal British Legion Scotland (Legion Scotland).

The charity has held Royal patronage since its foundation in 1921 and The King will be the fourth monarch to serve as patron of the Royal British Legion Scotland following his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, and George VI and Edward VIII before her.

King Charles first joined the Armed Forces in 1971 to complete an advanced flying course with the RAF before joining the Navy. He subsequently served in a number of ranks and holds honorary titles across the Royal Navy, Army, and RAF. Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II, King Charles became Commander in Chief of the British Armed Forces.

Dr Claire Armstrong OBE, Chief Executive Officer of RBLS, said: "As a charity, we are incredibly thankful for The King's ongoing support as our new Patron.

"This announcement is extremely important to our membership. As veterans of the British Armed Forces, they swore an oath to the monarch, their heirs, and their successors. This oath is of extreme value to our members, and the fact that The King has been announced as our patron signals to Scotland's veterans' community that their oath of allegiance is of equal importance to our monarchy. This is extremely valuable, and something we greatly appreciate. "We thank the Palace for their engagement throughout this process, and we look forward to our future under the guidance of our new patron."



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