

# GEOGRAPHY: EDUCATION RESOURCE

'**Scars of The Un-fought Battle**' explores military aviation crashes in Shropshire from the 1940's and was made possible by funding from Heritage Lottery Fund. During the summer of 2017, 60 young people from across Shropshire explored this relatively unknown area of local history and developed their film-making skills by creating video documentaries. The six films on this website are a record of their journey of discovery.

Inspired by the book '**Pancakes and Prangs**' written by local aviation history enthusiast Thomas Thorne, the 6 groups of young people researched details of different plane crashes from the 1940's. The book details over **700 plane crashes in Shropshire**. The locations chosen included an Airfield in the north of the county, the Shropshire Hills, and South Shropshire too.

This project gave participants the opportunity to visit the beautiful Shropshire countryside, meet wonderful people, learn incredible facts, and experience film making and drone-flying. Please watch the films for their own worth, and think about them in relation to the following activities.

**Activity 1:** Having watched the films, think about, and describe why you think Shropshire was a good place for training pilots?

**Activity 2:** What damage do you think a plane crash might do to the land it crashed on?

**Activity 3:** Using an Ordnance Survey Map can you plot the locations of the crashes featured in the films?

