

## **U** is for Uniform



This is a Lady's civil defence jacket size 11, with CD and Norfolk cloth badges sewn on the breast pocket, two warden shoulder badges and a badge of three red inverted chevrons on the right sleeve.

The original term for Civil Defence was ARP (Air Raid Precautions). It changed in September 1941.

Civil Defence covered lots of different types of work. There were wardens, firemen, rescuers, who searched through rubble for survivors, telephone operators, messengers, and policemen.

By the time the Blitz ended there were about 1,500,000 members of the Civil Defence services. The work of these men and women was essential in helping the public cope with air raids, keeping up morale and protecting essential services as far as was possible.

Government sponsored civil defence volunteer forces were disbanded in 1968.

What do you do that you wear a uniform for? Do you feel proud to wear it?

Can you make your own museum of 'U' objects from around your home?



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