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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 19 November 2016 in which you requested the following information:

- 1. A list of each piece of clothing issued to an ACF cadet, plus the unit cost of each item to the Ministry of Defence. Please provide the most recent data available.*
- 2. The total cost of issuing items of clothing to ACF cadets. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.*
- 3. A list of the total number of returned items of clothing that are destroyed or otherwise removed from the supply chain. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.*
- 4. The total cost of items of clothing that are destroyed or otherwise removed from the supply chain. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.*

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held. The information you requested is attached.

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Yours sincerely,

Army Secretariat

Question One

A list of each piece of clothing issued to an ACF cadet, plus the unit cost of each item to the Ministry of Defence. Please provide the most recent data available.

The scaled list of clothing issued and individual item cost for ACF Cadets is listed below:

CADET FORCE CLOTHING SCALE FOR CADETS

Item	Cost (£)	Qty	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Badge, Cap	4.0	1	
Badge, Rank	2.50	2	
Belt, working	1.56	1	
Beret, Bonnet	2.63 18.63	1	
Jacket, combat Temperate Weather MTP	8.72	2	
Undershirt, Extreme Cold Weather	3.84	1	
Cap MTP	2.11	1	Cadet only
Smock MTP	16.99	1	
Socks, GS	2.54	3	
Trousers, combat. Temperate Weather MTP	8.41	2	
Shirt, "T" Combat Olive/Black	2.43	2	

Question Two

The total cost of issuing items of clothing to ACF cadets. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.

The value of these uniform commodities as at 1 November 2016 is £460,835.13 for the period since 1 April 2016. This sum includes Cadet Force Adult Volunteers. Due to the accounting process and methodology there is no way to separate the Cadet Clothing apart from the CFAV.

Question Three

A list of the total number of returned items of clothing that are destroyed or otherwise removed from the supply chain. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.¹

Clothing exchanged or withdrawn from individuals is to be surveyed and conditioned by the Unit Quartermaster or a nominated representative, to classify items as serviceable new, serviceable part worn or unserviceable. Any item of clothing conditioned or declared as serviceable is to be laundered and placed back on the shelf for reissue.

¹ Defence Logistics Framework Conditioning of Clothing Policy

Once clothing has been delivered to the Quartermaster by Depot and subsequently issued to the Cadet it is classed as a consumed item. Any item classed as unserviceable carries no value. Therefore any item returned as unserviceable is not accounted for other than as rags or returned to depot for disposal. There is no mechanism to calculate how many uniforms destroyed or removed from the supply chain.

Question Four

The total cost of items of clothing that are destroyed or otherwise removed from the supply chain. Please provide the most recent data available, ideally for the last calendar/financial year.²

Once clothing has been delivered to the Quartermaster by Depot and subsequently issued to the Cadet, it is classed as a consumed item. Any item classed as unserviceable carries no value. Therefore, any item returned as unserviceable is not accounted for other than as rags which is either returned to depot for onward disposal or reduced usable rags within the unit as directed by the Stores System.

² Defence Logistics Framework Clothing Disposal Policy