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Dear

<u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:</u> <u>CHANGES TO PENSIONS.</u>

I acknowledge receipt of your e-mail of 3 April 2015 which we are treating as request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your e-mail of 3 April 2015, you requested the following information:

- "1. The normal pension age for MDP officers. (I understand that the previous decision to make it the same as state retirement age was under review in early 2015.)
- 2. How the tapering allowance will be implemented for MDP officers officers who were within 13.5 years of being 60 as at the defining point of 1 April 2012.
- 3. Information on the current pay scales for MDP officers for those who have served since 2002 onwards, as well as new recruits. The annexes A, B and C to a published FOIA letter (FOI2015/08564) would suffice."

Retirement ages for MDP officers will depend which pension scheme they are in. Some will be unchanged at 60, some were already 65 and those moving to Alpha on 1 April 2015 will have a NPA that is the higher of age 65 or their State Pension age.

No final decision has been made or communicated about the possible change to MDP police officer's pension age. Until that point they will have the same pension age as per the scheme that they are in as all other members.

The Principle Civil Service Pension Scheme (PCSPS) is administered by MyCSP.

May I suggest you contact them as below:

If you have a query about the Civil Service Pension Scheme please visit the scheme website: civilservicepensionscheme.org.uk

If you would like to contact MyCSP please use the following details:

MyCSP PO Box 2017 Liverpool L69 2BU

Telephone: 0300 123 6666

Email: contactcentre@mycsp.co.uk

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate the case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website (http://www.ico.org.uk).

Yours sincerely