



# Ministry of Defence

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**correspondence dated:** 27 November 2015

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Dear

Thank you for your email of 27 Nov requesting the following information:

1. For the 2014/2015 financial year can you please state (i) how much was paid out as compensation to people who complained about low flying aircraft and ii) how many separate pay-outs this represented?
2. In addition, please provide me with summary details of all the claims that were paid out in the 2014/15 financial year. This list should include, (i) What was the amount of compensation, (ii) What were the aircraft responsible and where did the incident take place, and (iii) The nature of the damage?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found attached. Please note that the totals of compensation paid are inclusive of claimant's legal costs and other professional fees such as medical reports and valuations. Compensation payments made in financial year may include settlement of claims submitted in earlier years.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you 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 Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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 your 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, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

Common Law Claims and Policy Division

MOD COMPENSATION PAID (LOW FLYING) - FINANCIAL YEAR 2014-2015

Compensation Paid	Aircraft	Location	Description
£250.00	Lynx	Somerset	Injured horse
£1,800.00	Chinook	Oxfordshire	Damage to roof and window
£1,600.00	Merlin	Suffolk	Loss of gamebirds
£500.00	Squirrel	Wiltshire	Loss of gamebirds
£2,050.00	Griffin	Powys	Injured cattle and loss of one calf
£3,908.00	Squirrel	Warminster	Loss of cows
£1,742.66	Merlin	Staffordshire	Inured cattle
£9,854.00	King Air 200	Derbyshire	Loss of birds of prey
£586.65	Chinook	Hampshire	Loss of poultry abd egg production
£13,400.00	Hawk	Derbyshire	Loss of birds of prey
£5,049.54	Tornado	Dumfries & Galloway	Injured cattle, one destroyed
£3,674.34	Chinook	Hampshire	Injured cattle, one destroyed
£2,290.10	Tornado	Anglesey	Loss of cow
£5,500.00	Chinook	Devon	Loss of cow
£6,360.00	Lynx	North Yorkshire	Loss of horse
£465.95	Apache	Suffolk	Injured horse
£932.60	Merlin	Wiltshire	Injured horse
£600.00	Merlin	Oxfordshire	Loss of poultry and egg production
£677.06	Griffin	Cheshire	Injured horses
£1,380.30	Hercules	Devon	Loss of poultry and egg production
£1,262.00	Tornado	Lincolnshire	Personal injury - face and neck
£1,036.00	Tornado	Cumbria	Personal injury - whiplash
£5,550.00	Tornado	South Yorkshire	Personal injury - hip
£531.82	Tornado	Cornwall	Personal injury - bruising
£4,155.00	Tornado	Devon	Personal injury - wrist and hand
£341.62	Chinook	Bedfordshire	Damage to fencing and garden furniture
£150.00	Chinook	Bedfordshire	Damage to fence
£150.00	Chinook	Cumbria	Spooked cattle damaged fence
£697.53	Squirrel	Wiltshire	Downdraft damage to crops
£500.00	Typhoon	Cambridgeshire	Sonic incident - damaged car
£280.00	Sea King	Gwynedd	Downdraft damage to tent
£90.00	Sea King	Gwynedd	Downdraft damage to tent
£1,705.00	Sea King	Gwynedd	Downdraft damage to tent and contents
£1,009.00	Sea King	Gwynedd	Downdraft damage to tent and contents
£151.00	Tornado	Norfolk	Injured horse
£2,100.00	Chinook	Surrey	Building damage and satellite dish
£1,481.01	Merlin	Cornwall	Damage to car
£780.00	Typhoon	Lincolnshire	Sonic incident - damaged patio door and chandelier
£275.00	Typhoon	Lincolnshire	Sonic incident - dislodged roof tiles
£174.00	Typhoon	Cambridgeshire	Sonic incident - cracked window
£5,000.00	Merlin	Gloucestershire	Damage to crops
£75.00	Chinook	Middlesex	Damage to car
£1,207.46	F15	Anglesey	Sonic incident - cracked windows
£903.83	Chinook	Kent	Damage to fencing and garden
£207.99	Chinook	Wiltshire	Damage to fence
£1,754.40	Chinook	Oxfordshire	Damage to window

£800.00	Chinook	Essex	Damage to crops
£2,500.00	Various	Cornwall	Loss of poultry and egg production
£2,863.93	Hawk & Tornado	Devon	Loss of poultry and egg production
£1,360.95	Apache	Cumbria	Injured hieffer
£30,648.00	Apache	East Sussex	Loss of poultry and egg production
£79,041.96	Chinook	East Sussex	Loss of poultry and egg production
£38,563.20	Chinook	East Sussex	Loss of poultry and egg production
£1,396.12	Apache	Pembrokeshire	Injured cow
£1,340.00	Typhoon	Merseyside	Personal injury - shoulder
£22,200.00	Tornado	Staffordshire	Personal injury - hand
£16,164.00	Chinook	Essex	Damaged fencing and crops
£350.00	Tornado	Shropshire	Damage to windows
£1,577.50	Puma	Oxfordshire	Loss of cow
£528.00	Chinook	Devon	Loss of poultry and egg production
£10,000.00	Apache	Somerset	Personal injury - head and arm
£20,017.60	Puma	Co Armagh	Loss of calf
£37,500.00	Tornado	Midlothian	Personal injury - back
£13,855.00	Chinook	London	Damage to astroturf
<b>£374,895.12</b>			