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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your emails of 28 January, which have been considered to be requests for information under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000; I have been asked to reply on behalf of the Ministry of Defence (MOD).

In your emails you requested the following information:

“Within Sussex Wing (LaSER region) please can you advise the following:

1. The establishment scale letter (A-F2) between 2010-2015 broken down by Squadron.
2. The average Squadron strength between 2010-2015 broken down by Squadron.
3. Within Sussex Wing (LaSER Region) can you advise how many Adult Sergeants were appointed in 2010-2014 broken down by month/year and Squadrons?
4. Out of these appointments, can you advise how many were asked to move Squadrons as part of their development, again broken down by year and Squadron?
5. In 2012 Commandant Air Cadets released a letter detailing uniform standards and advising that Wing Warrant Officers are empowered to debar the individuals from wearing uniform. Please can you advise within Sussex Wing (LaSER region) since the issue of the letter in December 2012 how many Volunteers have had their uniform rights taken away from them – broken down by year and month?
6. Of these how many have since been rescinded – i.e. individuals have now been allowed to wear their uniform once again?

7. From the original figure, how many have now left the Corps?

A search for the information has now been completed within the MOD, and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held. In accordance with the Data Protection Act and our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, data has been rounded to the nearest 10, where "-" denotes zero and "~" denotes a number less than or equal to 5 (or, in narrative terms, is referred to as "five or fewer"). When rounding to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias. Due to the rounding methods used, totals may not always equal the sum of the parts. Section 1 of the FOI Act gives an applicant the right to access recorded information held by public authorities at the time the request is made. It does not require public authorities to provide explanations or give opinions, unless this is recorded information held.

The information you have requested for Queries 1 and 2 can be found attached at Annex A.

Information held that relates to Queries 3 and 4 can be found at Annex B. No information is held for 2015.

With regard to Queries 5, 6 and 7, five or fewer ACO volunteers within the Sussex Wing have had their uniform rights taken away from them, this occurred in January 2015. None of these instructions have been rescinded and none of these personnel have left the Air Training Corps.

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 this office 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). 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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,


Air Command Secretariat

Air Cadet Organisation Statistics – Average Squadron Strength (bi-annual) and Classification Code (Establishment Scale) by Sussex Wing Squadrons 2010 - 2014

Squadron	Month and Year	Average parade strength	Classification Code
2530 (Uckfield) Sqn	Sep 14	19	D
	Apr 14	24	D
	Sep 13	15	D
	Mar 13	22	E
	Sep 12	15	D
	Mar 12	19	D
	Sep 11	21	E1
	Mar 11	22	E1
	Sep 10	33	E1
	Apr 10	37	E1
2529 (Burgess Hill) Sqn	Sep 14	10	E
	Apr 14	16	E
	Sep 13	8	E
	Mar 13	11	E
	Sep 12	11	E
	Mar 12	16	E
	Sep 11	15	E
	Mar 11	19	E
	Sep 10	23	E
	Apr 10	6	E
2464 (Storrington) Sqn	Sep 14	16	D1
	Apr 14	18	D1
	Sep 13	11	D1
	Mar 13	11	D1
	Sep 12	10	D1
	Mar 12	12	E
	Sep 11	18	E
	Mar 11	15	E
	Sep 10	18	E
	Apr 10	21	E
2351 (Bognor Regis) Sqn	Sep 14	8	E1
	Apr 14	12	E1
	Sep 13	9	E1
	Mar 13	11	D1
	Sep 12	11	D1
	Mar 12	19	D1
Sep 11	18	E	

	Mar 11	19	E
	Sep 10	15	E
	Apr 10	13	D1
2262 (Bexhill) Sqn	Sep 14	19	D1
	Apr 14	20	E
	Sep 13	18	E
	Mar 13	23	E
	Sep 12	22	E
	Mar 12	26	E
	Sep 11	27	E
	Mar 11	26	E
	Sep 10	28	E
	Apr 10	22	E
1440 (Shoreham) Sqn	Sep 14	14	D1
	Apr 14	14	D1
	Sep 13	10	E
	Mar 13	12	E
	Sep 12	13	E
	Mar 12	15	E
	Sep 11	14	E
	Mar 11	15	D1
	Sep 10	20	E
	Apr 10	22	E
1414 (Crowborough) Sqn	Sep 14	12	D1
	Apr 14	14	D1
	Sep 13	8	E
	Mar 13	6	E
	Sep 12	8	E
	Mar 12	12	E
	Sep 11	10	E
	Mar 11	11	E
	Sep 10	12	E
	Apr 10	22	E
1343 (East Grinstead) Sqn	Sep 14	13	E
	Apr 14	16	E
	Sep 13	13	E
	Mar 13	16	E
	Sep 12	11	E
	Mar 12	0	E
	Sep 11	0	E
	Mar 11	0	E
	Sep 10	6	E
	Apr 10	2	E

1218 (Newhaven) Sqn	Sep 14	11	D1
	Apr 14	14	D1
	Sep 13	9	D1
	Mar 13	11	E1
	Sep 12	10	E1
	Mar 12	11	E1
	Sep 11	8	E
	Mar 11	9	E
	Sep 10	5	E
	Apr 10	5	E1
1140 (Steyning) Sqn	Sep 14	15	E1
	Apr 14	18	E1
	Sep 13	12	E1
	Mar 13	16	E1
	Sep 12	18	E1
	Mar 12	17	E1
	Sep 11	9	E
	Mar 11	5	E
	Sep 10	8	E
	Apr 10	10	E1
1087 (Arun Valley) Sqn	Sep 14	21	E
	Apr 14	26	E
	Sep 13	10	E
	Mar 13	12	E
	Sep 12	12	E
	Mar 12	14	E
	Sep 11	14	E
	Mar 11	11	E
	Sep 10	15	E
	Apr 10	15	E
1015 (Horsham) Sqn	Sep 14	41	E
	Apr 14	42	E
	Sep 13	22	E
	Mar 13	21	E
	Sep 12	17	E
	Mar 12	29	E
	Sep 11	28	E
	Mar 11	29	D2
	Sep 10	37	D2
	Apr 10	13	D2
461 (Chichester) Sqn	Sep 14	24	E
	Apr 14	24	E
	Sep 13	21	E

	Mar 13	22	E
	Sep 12	21	E
	Mar 12	23	E
	Sep 11	18	E
	Mar 11	23	E
	Sep 10	27	E1
	Apr 10	28	E1
304 (Hastings) Sqn	Sep 14	24	E
	Apr 14	22	E
	Sep 13	0	E
	Mar 13	6	E
	Sep 12	7	E
	Mar 12	7	E
	Sep 11	10	E
	Mar 11	11	E
	Sep 10	27	E
	Apr 10	31	E
249 (Hailsham) Sqn	Sep 14	21	E
	Apr 14	22	E
	Sep 13	15	E
	Mar 13	17	E
	Sep 12	17	E
	Mar 12	19	E
	Sep 11	17	E
	Mar 11	22	E
	Sep 10	19	E
	Apr 10	11	E
226 (Brighton) Sqn	Sep 14	14	D1
	Apr 14	16	D1
	Sep 13	9	D1
	Mar 13	10	E
	Sep 12	9	E
	Mar 12	11	E
	Sep 11	10	E
	Mar 11	21	D1
	Sep 10	34	E
	Apr 10	34	E
225 (Brighton) Sqn	Sep 14	10	E1
	Apr 14	12	D1
	Sep 13	7	D1
	Mar 13	8	D1
	Sep 12	5	E
	Mar 12	9	E
	Sep 11	13	E
	Mar 11	13	E
	Sep 10	10	E

	Apr 10	14	E
176 (Hove) Sqn	Sep 14	13	E1
	Apr 14	14	E1
	Sep 13	11	E
	Mar 13	10	E
	Sep 12	11	E
	Mar 12	3	E
	Sep 11	15	E
	Mar 11	17	E
	Sep 10	17	E
	Apr 10	22	E
172 (Haywards Heath) Sqn	Sep 14	22	D1
	Apr 14	24	D1
	Sep 13	20	E1
	Mar 13	15	E
	Sep 12	14	E
	Mar 12	16	E
	Sep 11	9	E
	Mar 11	18	E1
	Sep 10	16	E
	Apr 10	26	E
54 (Eastbourne) Sqn	Sep 14	27	E
	Apr 14	30	E
	Sep 13	23	E
	Mar 13	27	E
	Sep 12	28	E
	Mar 12	27	E
	Sep 11	24	D1
	Mar 11	31	D1
	Sep 10	40	D1
	Apr 10	48	D1
45F (Worthing) Sqn	Sep 14	13	D
	Apr 14	14	D
	Sep 13	16	E
	Mar 13	18	E
	Sep 12	16	E
	Mar 12	16	E
	Sep 11	15	E
	Mar 11	16	E
	Sep 10	28	C
	Apr 10	41	E
19 (Crawley) Sqn	Sep 14	24	E
	Apr 14	20	E
	Sep 13	17	E

	Mar 13	17	E
	Sep 12	18	E
	Mar 12	23	D
	Sep 11	23	D1
	Mar 11	24	D1
	Sep 10	26	D1
	Apr 10	30	D1

Air Training Corps Sussex Wing Sergeants who have been appointed during 2010-2014 - broken down by Squadron, year and month.

Squadron	Number of Sergeants appointed
45F	
December 2010	~
March 2012	~
March 2013	~
November 2013	~
54	
December 2011	~
88	
May 2012	~
225	
March 2010	~
226	
July 2012	~
249	
November 2011	~
January 2012	~
461	
May 2014	~
1015	
December 2013	~
October 2014	~
1087	
November 2011	~
1140	
Mar 2012	~
November 2013	~
March 2012	~
1218	
October 2012	~
1343 Squadron	
Apr 2014	~
1440	
February 2012	~
2351	
November 2011	~
2530	
September 2010	~

Air Training Corps Sussex Wing Sergeants who have moved Squadrons during 2010 – 2014 – by Squadron and year

Squadron	Number of Sergeants moved
45F	
2012	~
2013	~
226	
2012	~
461	
2014	~
1140	
2012	~
2351	
2012	~
2530	
2010	~

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