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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 26 September 2017 requesting the following information:

"under the freedom of information act 2000 (FOIA) please can I be informed of the current proposed timeline for the review of the Lulworth Range 1978 Bylaws. I am particular interested in when the review will start and the dates of public consultation. If it has been decided that there will not be a single review, and the instead the review is to be broken into projects, please can you provide details of each project as above.

I would also like to request all information on any reported infringements or arrests made through the contravention of the Lulworth Range 1978 Bylaws over the last 10 years.

I would also like to know if it would be possible to apply for permission to access the Sea Area only (INNER DO26 day) so I am able to surf the wave during the week days. Could you also tell me if the Bylaws are applicable through both live firing and blank firing?"

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 (MOD) and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

It is not possible at this time to provide any definite dates for the publication of the proposed new draft byelaws for Lulworth Range.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that in all cases, the publication of new draft byelaws and the commencement of the consultation period are scheduled to coincide. Notices advising the consultation are placed in the local press, and copies of the byelaws are displayed on our web pages at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ministry-of-defence-byelaws> as well as at the site in question, and at the local post office and library. Consultees such as MPs and local councils are informed by letter. The consultation period normally runs for 35 days.

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The Ministry Of Defence does not hold this information.

I would also like to know if it would be possible to apply for permission to access the Sea Area only (INNER DO26 day) so I am able to surf the wave during the week days.

It is not possible to apply for permission to access the Sea Area only.

Could you also tell me if the Bylaws are applicable through both live firing and blank firing?

Under Section 21 of the Act (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means) you will find the information on the government website using the link below.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/39576/lulworth_ranges.pdf

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat