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Dear

Thank you for your email of 9 August 2018 requesting the following information:

'I wish to know the date that the site known as the Middlewick Ranges in Colchester Essex, is going to be put out for sale. I would also like to know the amount of land on this site that is going to be put out for sale and the uses that it will be earmarked for and the amount of housing units that you propose to be put forward. I would also like to know the price that this land is going to be advertised for'

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.

The information you have requested can be found below:

1. I wish to know the date that the site known as the Middlewick Ranges in Colchester, Essex is going to be put out for sale?

The estimated disposal date for Middlewick Ranges is 2020.

2. I would also like to know the amount of land on this site that is going to be put out for sale and the uses that it will be earmarked for and the amount of housing units that you propose to be put forward?

The size of the land to be disposed is up to 108.7 hectares. It is understood that part of this land has a draft allocation for up to 1000 new dwellings as part of Colchester Borough Council's Emerging Local Plan 2017-2033.

3. I would also like to know the price that this land is going to be advertised for?

No information in scope of your request is held.

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.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made in writing within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

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