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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 27 November 2019 requesting the following information:

*"I have visited Tyneham on a number of occasions and would like to use the site for a speculative student project which will use the history of the site to create maps and illustrations of the village; the aim of the project will be to use experimental drawings to evoke the history and heritage of the site.*

*To this end, I hope to locate site plans, street elevations and/or survey drawings of the buildings in the village and I hoped that the MOD might have an archive of drawings that can be shared with the University? Or perhaps you can direct me to a source of this information? Perhaps museum services, libraries or local historians?*

*In addition, I understand that some of the buildings are no longer accessible but I wondered if it was possible to access them with appropriate PPE/ clothing and if I am accompanied? I would like to take photographs of the interiors, if possible."*

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 the MOD holds no information with regards to site plans, street elevations and/or survey drawings of the buildings in the village.

With regards to the second part of your request concerning access to the buildings, should you still wish to visit Tyneham, [REDACTED], the Deputy Training Safety Officer for the Defence Infrastructure Organisation, will be happy to facilitate this response. I would therefore urge you to contact Mr Stirling via email at: [REDACTED] to make further arrangements.

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

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Yours sincerely,

DIO Secretariat