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Ref: FOI 2020/08912

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21 August 2020

Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for your correspondence of 3 August 2020 requesting the following information:

“Please provide details of the number of Cadet Forces Adult Volunteers involved with the RAF Air Cadets at the following dates:

- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2020

These figures should identify the number of officers, SNCOs and Civilian Instructors.”

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 some information in scope of your request is held.

Date	Officers	Senior Non-Commissioned Officers (SNCOs)
1 April 2017	3002	1728
1 April 2018	3059	1761
1 April 2019	3110	1790
1 April 2020	3810	1920

Under Section 21 (Information available to the applicant by other means), information on the number of Civilian Instructors (Non-Uniformed Volunteers) can be found at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/mod-sponsored-cadet-forces-statistics-2020>

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it useful to know that the figures for each year are calculated through the addition of the number of Community Cadet Force Adult Volunteers and Combined Cadet Force Adult Volunteers.

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

If you are not satisfied with this response or 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, Ground 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 normally investigate your case until the MoD internal process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours Sincerely,

[Original signed]

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