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Dear

Thank you for your email of 23 September 2021 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD) requesting the following information:

“Please can you provide a list of service personal who have given their life in service whilst resident in Ash Parish, Surrey, After the 2nd World War.

Hello, I am a Parish Councillor At Ash Parish Council. I wondered if you could help us find the names of service persons who may have died in service since the 2nd world war, whilst resident in Ash Parish. Each year we hold a memorial on Remembrance Sunday, in the past few years, we have asked school children to read out names from the memorial itself for the 1st and 2nd world war. However, we have considered there may be more names to remember not engraved on this memorial, specifically those after these wars. If able to be given to the public, we would like to remember them in future services service.

Paper or electronic copies of information

- *Digital*
- *Current memorial records as follows, I am looking for the same information:*
 - *Year of death*
 - *Surname, First name, Initials*
 - *Initials*
 - *War / Tour of operation”*

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 no information in scope of your request is held. This is because a service person's place of residence at the time of their death would normally be the unit, barracks, or theatre in which they were serving, rather than a parish in a community.

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may be interested to know that the MOD does hold records of service person's places of birth as listed on their death certificate.

Please let me know if you would be interested in this information and I will be happy to process the request under the FOIA.

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 within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

Defence Business Services (Secretariat)