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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: DOGS AND HORSES IN THE FORCE.

We refer to your email dated 29th March 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 29th March 2023.

We are treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email you requested the following information:

I would like to submit the below freedom of information requests.

How many individual dogs are currently actively employed in your dog section / dog support unit? Could I have this figure for every year 2010-present.

How many individual horses are currently actively employed in your force mounted unit (if such a unit exists). Could I have this figure for every year 2010-present.

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

How many individual dogs are currently actively employed in your dog section / dog support unit? Could I have this figure for every year 2010-present.

No information held for before 2012.

Year	Total Number of dogs
2012	283

2013	222
2014	225
2015	210
2016	219
2017	213
2018	225
2019	230
2020	230
2021	230
2022	233
2023	233

How many individual horses are currently actively employed in your force mounted unit (if such a unit exists). Could I have this figure for every year 2010-present.

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police do not have any employed horses.

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly 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 review 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

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office