Dear Mr Arbeeley

Thank you for your email of 23 June 2020 in which you made the following request:

"Currently HQ 4th Inf Bde & HQ North East are grouped, but as I know the 4th Inf Bde controls deployable units, and HQ North East controls cadets and the regional forces. Is there anywhere or something that could be provided which lists those units based in the North East which ARE not assigned to 4th Inf Bde, ie Cadets or Schools or York Garrison, etc.?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

A map showing the ‘Army in the North East’ is enclosed, and can be found at Annex A.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) it might be helpful for me to explain that 4th Infantry Brigade & Headquarters North East is a light infantry brigade based in Catterick Garrison, North Yorkshire. The Brigade Commander has operational command of eight major units, not all of which are based in the North East. The Brigade Commander also has broader, regional responsibility for a further 30 units, 185 cadet detachments and 47 schools’ Combined Cadet Forces. The units which do come under operational command of 4th Infantry Brigade & Headquarters North East are annotated in the attached map as ‘(OPCOM)’.

A list showing the Army Cadet Force detachments and schools’ Combined Cadet Forces in the North East is exempt under Section 21 of the Act, because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. This information is already in the public domain and can be accessed via the following links:

https://armycadets.com/find-a-detachment/
https://combinedcadetforce.org.uk/find-a-ccf

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

Army Secretariat

Enclosures:

Enclosure 1 - Map showing the ‘Army in the North East’
Annex A to FOI/2020/07164
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