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Dear Mr Dawson

## **Request for Information: Dunino Airfield**

Thank you for your enquiry dated 19 October 2011. This was passed to the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO), the Ministry of Defence (MOD) body responsible for managing the defence estate and has been dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations (2004).

You asked for details of the information the MOD holds relating to possible radium contamination in and around Dunino Airfield.

I can confirm that the MOD has been unable to identify any recorded information that indicates possible radium contamination in and around the specified site.

I have been advised that the Air Ministry purchased the site in 1940 in two main plots, with the entire site being transferred to the Admiralty on 1 December 1942. Both sites were sold on 16 June 1959.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you 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 Head of Corporate Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOxxxx@xxx.xx). 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 investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <a href="www.ico.gov.uk">www.ico.gov.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely

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