

Telegrams—"SHIPMINDER, PARL, LONDON."
Telephone—WHITEHALL 5140.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:—

The Assistant Secretary,
Mercantile Marine Department
(address as opposite)

and the following number quoted:—

M.4995/36.



MERCANTILE MARINE DEPARTMENT,

BOARD OF TRADE,

GREAT GEORGE STREET,

LONDON, S.W.1.

21st February, 1936.

Sir,

Under separate cover

I am directed to state, for the information of the Town Council that the Air Council have under consideration the establishment, in the position indicated on the enclosed plan, of an air firing and bombing range at Dornoch Firth and Tarbat Ness in respect of which it is proposed to make Byelaws providing for the use of the Range at all times of the day and night throughout the year. The practices for which provision is required consist of machine gun firing at towed targets in the air and fixed targets on the ground, and bombing with small practice bombs, which only emit a puff of smoke for marking purposes. Ships passing through the area in the ordinary course of navigation will not, however, be subject to the proposed Byelaws.

I am to request that the Board may be favoured, at an early date, with any observations which the Council desire to offer in the matter, and that in transmitting them you will return the accompanying plan.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherlandshire.

TEL. No. HOLBORN 3434.

Any communications on the subject of this letter should be addressed to:—

THE SECRETARY,
AIR MINISTRY,
ADASTRAL HOUSE,
KINGSWAY,
LONDON, W.C. 2.



AIR MINISTRY,
LONDON, W.C. 2.

29th January, 1938.

and the following number quoted:—

523001/36/S.4.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a poster advertising, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Air, a Notice of Intention to make bye-laws in respect of the Tain Air Gunnery and Bombing Range and to request that you will kindly arrange for it to be displayed at your Office for a period of 21 days from the 1st February.

Five copies of the bye-laws in pamphlet form are also enclosed, and I am to request that they may be held available for consultation by persons interested. A copy may be supplied to such persons if desired.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. a. Weekly

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherland.

No. 8 Armament Training Camp,
Royal Air Force,
Evanton,
Ross-shire.

8ATC/502/3/Armt. 5th. February, 1938.

Dear Sir,

It is requested that you will be good enough
to have the enclosed copies of the proposed Bye-Laws
for the TAIN Air Gunnery and Bombing Range displayed.

Yours faithfully,



for, Flight Lieutenant,
Wing Commander, Commanding,
No. 8 A.T.C., Evanton.

The Town Clerk,
Council Offices,
Dornoch.

TEL. No. HOLBORN 3434.

Any communications on the subject of this letter should be addressed to:—

THE SECRETARY,
AIR MINISTRY,
ADASTRAL HOUSE,
KINGSWAY,
LONDON, W.C.2.



AIR MINISTRY,
LONDON, W.C. 2.

2nd September, 1938.

and the following number quoted:—

523001/36/S.4.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence regarding the Royal Air Force gunnery and bombing range at Tain, Ross-shire, I am directed to enclose two copies of the bye-laws for this range which were signed by the Secretary of State for Air on the 15th June, 1938, and came into force on the 1st September, 1938.

I am to request that the bye-laws may be held available for inspection by persons interested.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. a. Weekly.

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherland.



6

AIR MINISTRY,
WHITEHALL, S.W.1.

7th September 1939.

Dear Town Clerk

I am writing to you in connection with the use of the Royal Air Force Armament range at Tain. As you are aware this range has so far not been in use on Sundays and public holidays. In imposing this restriction on the use of the range the Air Council were actuated by a desire to interfere as little as possible with the amenities of the neighbourhood, and in particular by their recognition of the fact that the use of the range on Sundays would be unwelcome to a number of the local residents. The outbreak of war has naturally affected the position and I feel that it is now incumbent upon me to authorise the necessary amendment to the existing bye-laws to permit of the use of the range throughout the year. I am, however, considering whether it would be possible to restrict the use of the range during the hours of Divine Service.

I feel sure that the members of your Council will appreciate the special circumstances and I should be grateful if you would take an early opportunity of bringing my letter to their notice.

For the Secretary of State for Air
Herbert Morrison

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,

ABBEY 3411.

TELEPHONE:

Extn...5234.

Any communications on the subject of this letter should be addressed to:—

THE
UNDER SECRETARY
OF STATE,

and the following number
quoted:—

C.870/39/S.4.(a).



AIR MINISTRY, Dept. O.A.,

LONDON, S.W.1.

8th September, 1939.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Air Council to refer to Air Ministry letter 523001/36/S.4 dated the 2nd September, 1938 and to Sir Kingsley Wood's letter to you of yesterday's date, regarding the Royal Air Force air gunnery and bombing range at Tain, Ross-shire, and to enclose two copies of the printed amendment to Notice No.(3) appended to the Bye-laws.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

L. G. S. Reynolds.

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherland.



HOLBORN 3434
TELEPHONE :
Extn. 1185

Any communications on the
subject of this letter should
be addressed to :—

THE
UNDER SECRETARY
OF STATE, AIR MINISTRY, (Dept.O.A.)

and the following number
quoted :—

A.59147/40/S.4.(a).



AIR MINISTRY, (Dept.O.A.)

LONDON, W.C.2.

^d
13 June, 1940.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that in order to construct a machine gun turret range it has been necessary slightly to enlarge the sea danger area of the Royal Air Force gunnery and bombing range at Tain, Ross-shire, and consequently to issue revised bye-laws governing the use of the range. Two copies of the new bye-laws, which come into force on the 14th June, are enclosed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

T. Stirling Boyd

The Town Clerk,
Dornoch,
Sutherland.



TAIN

(IN THE COUNTY OF ROSS)

GUNNERY AND BOMBING RANGE

BYE-LAWS

MADE by the Secretary of State for Air under the provisions of the Military Lands Acts, 1892 and 1900, as applied by the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 1) Order, 1918, and the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 3) Order, 1923, and as amended by Regulation 52 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, and by virtue of that Regulation for regulating the use of the Tain Gunnery and Bombing Range.



LONDON:
PRINTED BY HIS MAJESTY'S STATIONERY OFFICE

TAIN

(IN THE COUNTY OF ROSS)

AIR GUNNERY AND BOMBING RANGE

BYE-LAWS

MADE by the Secretary of State for Air under the provisions of the Military Lands Acts, 1892 and 1900, as applied by the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 1) Order, 1918, and the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 3) Order, 1923, with the consent of the Board of Trade for regulating the use of the Tain Air Gunnery and Bombing Range.



LONDON:

PRINTED BY HIS MAJESTY'S STATIONERY OFFICE