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Thank you for your letter of 15 July regarding the concerns of your constituents following the discovery of unexploded ordnance at Jubilee Field, Weedon. It is unfortunate that the work undertaken by the Parish Council has uncovered such items.

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) has consulted with the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and they are content that there is an appropriate plan in place to manage any ongoing risk from the site. The MOD has disposed of hand grenades as they have been discovered and has a clear mandate, under the provisions of Military Aid to Civil Authorities to dispose of such munitions free of charge.

My officials contacted Daventry District Council on 29 July 2016 to schedule a meeting to agree what is achievable and appropriate in relation to the site. I trust the forthcoming meeting will outline the level of support required from the MOD and lead to full resolution of the situation.

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