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**Gas Safety Management Plan  
(Section A)**

**Chard ACF**

**29/4/2025**

**Produced to meet the requirements of the Gas Safety  
(Installation and Use) Regulations 1998**

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**ESTABLISHMENT KEY PERSONALITIES (GAS) CONTACTS**

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The Content of this Gas Safety Management Plan (GSMP) have been Approved by the Gas Safety Manager:

Signature: *JP Westcott*

Date: 29/04/2025

**Authorisation for Implementation**

The content and format of this GSMP has been agreed and authorised for implementation by Defence Infrastructure Organisation Technical Services Principal Gas Engineer (DIO TS PGE) and a unique reference number has been generated to support this.

Approved – J Obbard PGE – 07 December 2023

The Content of this GSMP have been agreed by the Senior DIO Estate Representative or Equivalent and future works following the findings will be supported:

Signature:

*M Cubitt*

Date: 14/05/2025

The content of this GSMP have been agreed by the Head of Establishment and future works following the findings will be supported

Signature:

*N Holmes*

Date: 14/05/2025

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**REVIEWS AND AMMENDMENTS**

GSMPs are 'living documents' that should be subject to continual review and updating as required. Although the level of attention required will vary considerably depending on the size and complexity of each site, GSMPs should be reviewed at least once per quarter by the GRP, unless otherwise agreed by the PGE. Although it is likely that changes are not required at each review, the date of review and any changes made should be indicated on the tables below. The review of the GSMP will include a site visit to ensure that the site and the content of the GSMP remain valid. The reviews and amendments made will be deleted during the DIO TS three yearly review when the GSMP is re-authorised by the PGE.

Date	Page No.	Amendment
24/09/2021	All	Initial development
24/12/2021	All	Transferred all information from Version 5.2
24/03/2022	2	Updated gas emergency details
24/03/2022	3	Updated new gas supplier details
28/06/2022	N/A	No amendment or update required
16/09/2022	N/A	No amendment or update required
16/01/2023	N/A	No amendment or update required
17/04/2023	N/A	No amendment or update required
17/07/2023	N/A	No amendment or update required
17/10/2023	N/A	No amendment or update required
11/01/2024	N/A	No amendment or update required
14/03/2024	ii & 1	Updated HoE details
11/04/2024	N/A	No amendment or update required
11/07/2024	N/A	No amendment or update required
18/10/2024		GSM re-authorisation (previously authorised 01/11/2023)
07/11/2024	ii & 2	Updated Senior DIO Estate Representative details
07/11/2024	ii	Updated Site DIO Estate Representative details
28/01/2025	N/A	No amendment or update required
19/02/2025	ii	Update GSM & GRP Contact details
19/02/2025	All	Update literature to reflect Vivo as MMO.

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Date	Reviewed by	Authorised by	Comments
24/09/2021	D. Cooper	N. King	Initial Review
24/12/2021	D. Cooper		Q1 review
24/03/2022	D. Cooper		Q2 review
28/06/2022	D. Cooper		Q3 review
16/09/2022	D. Cooper		Q4 review
16/01/2023	D. Cooper		Q1 review
17/04/2023	D. Cooper		Q2 review
17/07/2023	D. Cooper	N King	Q3 review
17/10/2023	D. Cooper		Annual review
11/01/2024	D. Cooper		Q1 review
11/04/2024	D. Cooper		Q2 review
11/07/2024	D. Cooper		Q3 review
18/10/2024	Neville King	Neville King	GSM re-authorisation
07/11/2024	D. Cooper		Site visit
28/01/2025	D. Cooper		DNV demobilisation review
29/04/2025	R Moroney	J Westcott	Quarterly Review
29/04/2025	J Westcott	J Westcott	Initial review/approval

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**FORWARD**

MOD, as a gas conveyor within Great Britain, has submitted an Exemplar Gas Safety Case (MOD GSC) to demonstrate compliance with the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996 (GS(M)R). Maintenance Management Organisations (MMO's) are engaged who have the overall contractual responsibility to operate and maintain the gas network assets under their Contract, including the management of the safe flow of gas within the system and the provision of an emergency service. The MOD delegate specific duties to the MMO but accountability for gas safety on each site rests with the Head of Establishment.

Whilst gas downstream of the Emergency Control Valve (ECV) fall outside of the scope of (GS(M)R) similar criteria as those referred to above must be accommodated within an appropriate management system. The specific criteria required to adequately manage gas infrastructure downstream of the ECV are described in the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998 (GS(IU)R).

The MOD GSC considers all parts of the MOD estates gas supply system that forms part of the gas supply network. This includes all parts of the MOD gas network from the Bulk Primary Meter Installation to the individual gas appliances and the safe release of the products of combustion. The MOD GSC considers primarily those matters that relate to the management of the safe flow of gas within the system and the provision of an emergency service for all aspects of the gas system.

Following initial approval of the Gas Safety Management Plans (GSMPs) by the DIO Principal Gas Engineer (PGE), the Gas Safety Manager (GSM) is required to reapprove this GSMP annually. GSMPs must be submitted to DIO PGE every three years for authorisation.

GSMP Section A document contains site specific details of the establishments utilisation infrastructure to assist with measures to ensure compliance with the GS(IU)R for installation pipework and associated components.

GSMP Section B documents contain site specific details and arrangements as a direct annex to the MOD GSC in line with the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996 (GS(M)R).

GSMP Section C document contains site specific details and requirements of the establishment's LPG networks.

Although the legal status of this document applies in the UK only, the MOD apply the same requirements to the management of gas on its overseas estate, in accordance with the currently published Secretary of State's Health and Safety policy statement.

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**1 THE DUTY HOLDER AND ESTABLISHMENT LEVEL KEY PERSONALITIES****1.1. Gas Safety Case Duty Holder.**

The duty holder for the MOD Gas Safety Case is the Permanent Under Secretary for Defence (PUS). However, day to day responsibility for the preparation and maintenance of the document is delegated to the DIO TS Head of Engineering and Construction, who also has the responsibility for managing the system in accordance with the Safety Case. PUS delegates maintenance responsibility to the Top-Level Budget Holders (TLB's), to manage safety of the gas network. The TLB's utilise MOD Contracts i.e. MMOs who have responsibility for maintaining the gas network on behalf of the MOD.

Name:	Permanent Under Secretary
Address:	Main Building Horse Guards Parade Whitehall London SW1A 2HB

**1.2. DIO Technical Services Principal Gas Engineer (PGE).**

The PGE assumes the role of Senior Authorising Authority which is a term used within the MOD to recognise the authority of the person responsible for overseeing the appointment of, and auditing Authorising Engineers (AEs). For Gas the AEs are replaced by Gas Safety Managers (GSMs).

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**1.3. Establishment Personalities.**

Name of Establishment:	Chard ACF	
Establishment Address:	Furnham Road, Chard, Somerset, TA20 1AE.	
Head of Establishment (HoE)  (This is the most senior MOD person identified, by the chain of command, as responsible for the establishment. The HoE holds accountability for ensuring site compliance with the requirements of GSMR and the MOD GSC, including this GSMP.)	Name: Position: Organisation: Address:  ☎: ✉:	Neville Holmes MBE Chief Executive Officer Wessex Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association Mount House Mount Street Taunton Somerset TA1 3QE Tel: 01823 217930 Mob: 07850 655017 <a href="mailto:wx-ce@rfca.mod.uk">wx-ce@rfca.mod.uk</a>
Senior DIO representative or equivalent  (This may be the SEFM, but will vary depending on the contract this establishment falls under)	Name: Position: Organisation: Address:  ☎: ✉:	Mark Cubitt Head of Estates Wessex Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association Mount House Mount Street Taunton Somerset TA1 3QE 01823 217949 Mob:07955 280440 <a href="mailto:wx-est-hd@rfca.mod.uk">wx-est-hd@rfca.mod.uk</a>

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1.4. Maintenance Management Organisation (MMO).		
The MMO for this establishment is: <b>VIVO Defence Services</b>		
Gas Emergency Helpdesk (Typically, MMO Helpdesk) (24 Hours)  Note: Please do not contact the general public National Gas Emergency Service for suspected escapes on RFCA infrastructure	Organisation:	VIVO Helpdesk Helpdesk 25 Goodlass Road Hunts Cross Liverpool L24 9HJ  <b>☎:</b> 0800 030 9320
Gas Safety Manager (GSM)	Name: Organisation: Address:	Justin Westcott VIVO Defence Services Building 003 CTCRM Lympstone NR Exmouth Devon EX8 5AR  <b>☎:</b> <b>✉:</b> 07793 222820 Justin.Westcott@vivodefence.com
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1.5. Additional Gas Contacts.		
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LPG Supplier	Organisation: Address:	Not applicable - no bulk LPG on site.  <b>☎:</b> <b>✉:</b>
Meter Asset Manager (MAM)	Organisation: Address:	Energy Assets Ltd 6 Almondvale Business Park, Almondvale Way, Livingston EH54 6GA  <b>☎:</b> 0150 6405405 <b>✉:</b> <a href="mailto:info@energyassetsnetworks.co.uk">info@energyassetsnetworks.co.uk</a>
National Gas Emergency Centre (24 Hours)	<b>☎:</b>	0800 111 999



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## 2 SITE SPECIFIC DETAILS

### 2.1 Site Overview.

A brief description of the establishment and its current use. This should include how many separate sites are present and the number of buildings being supplied by gas.

Chard ACF has one building on site, which is supplied with gas from a low-pressure EGDN.

The building (1) is used for Office Space and Drill Hall.

The site is not currently manned daily. Cadets attend from 19:00 to 21:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays for parade.

### 2.2 Natural Gas.

A brief description of the natural gas installations, including how many MOD networks are present, the number of buildings each MOD network supplies and how many buildings are supplied direct from the EGDN. This should also include any demarcations in place between stakeholders and responsibilities.

Chard is a single site establishment which comprises of a single low pressure gas supply from Wales and West Utilities network.

This feeds an individual regulated MAM owned meter within a storage cupboard on the exterior of the building which supplies gas to a single site appliance in the drill hall. The gas is used on a commercial scale for a youth facility at a working pressure of 20.9mbar, for heating only. The demarcation point is at the meter outlet connection.

### 2.3 LPG Gas.

A brief description of the LPG installations, including how many compounds are at the establishment, condition and make up of each compound, the number and size (kg) of vessels in each compound, the number of LPG MOD networks, the number of buildings supplied from the LPG MOD networks, how many buildings are supplied direct and not from an LPG MOD network. Details of the LPG pipework after the first stage regulator up to the building(s).

*Note: The demarcation agreement between the LPG supplier and the MOD has been agreed and the MOD take responsibility from the outlet of the first stage regulator. The LPG supplier is responsible for the vessel, vessel associated components (excluding any earth bonding) pipework up to and including the first stage regulator.*

No LPG n this site.

### 2.4 External Installation Pipework.

A brief description of the external installation pipework (above or below ground) on each building. This is from the ECV to where it enters the building(s), the material, diameter, lengths, supports, conditions etc.

No external installation pipework.

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**2.5 Details of buildings served.**

A list of the buildings being supplied by gas via an MOD network, LPG compound or directly from the EGDN and the usage of the gas (catering, hot water, heating, fire training, etc) at the building.

Ser	Building Number	Building description	Supplied by	Gas usage
1	Main building	Offices and drill hall.	EGDN	Heating.
2				
3				
4				
5				

**2.6 Additional details of buildings being served.**

Any additional detail about a building that may be required or useful in an emergency or requires more details than captured above.

*NOTE: This section is to be used to capture the Service Family Accommodation (SFA) properties where it is not practical to fit above.*

No SFA property.

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**3 METER DETAILS****3.1 Primary Meter Details.**

The following table describes the basic arrangement of the primary meter installation(s). (These are the responsibility of the MAM)

*NOTE: More detail on the primary meters that supply MoD networks can be seen in the GSMP part B.*

Number of primary meter installations:			1						
Meter Name / ID	MPRN	Supplying (MOD network ID or Bldg number)	location	Incoming pressure tier – HP, IP, MP, LP	Outlet pipeline				Max Flow (M <sup>3</sup> hr)
					P tier – HP, IP, MP, LP	Pressure (mbar)	Material	Diameter (mm)	
U16 – Mo16 A0889 14A6	4226810608	Building 1	External access brick cupboard	LP	LP	20.9	Steel	25	16

**3.2 Utilisation Meter Details** (meters supplied directly from the MoD gas network).

The following table describes the basic arrangement of the utilisation meter installation(s). (These are the responsibility of the MOD)

Number of utilisation meter installations:			No utilisation meter							
Meter Name / ID	Being supplied from (MOD network ID)	Inlet pipeline				Outlet pipework				Max Flow (M <sup>3</sup> hr)
		P tier – HP, IP, MP, LP	Pressure (mbar)	Material	Diameter (mm)	P tier – HP, IP, MP, LP	Pressure (mbar)	Material	Diameter (mm)	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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#### 4 DIAGRAMS AND DRAWINGS

##### 4.1 Line diagrams for building(s) internal gas installation pipework.

This section is to contain line diagrams for building internal installation pipework and associated components. This diagram should be fixed to the building at a practical and accessible location as well as within any associated document centres. It may be embedded as a PDF to this document for online use.

*NOTE: Drawings are only required for commercial installations or for installation in commercial settings (non-domestic use). This may mean more installations than listed in IGEM/UP/2 Edition 3 (4.2.14), depending on the installations intended use.*

Drawing Number	Building	Comments
WE22-A-A3	Main building	 WX22-A-A3.pdf

##### 4.2 Additional drawings.

This section is to contain any additional drawings that may be required or may be of benefit to this GSMP or emergency procedures.

Drawing Number	Building	Comments

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## 5 GAS INCIDENTS

### 5.1 Site reporting procedures for dealing with gas incidents.

This section is to contain the establishment's site-specific procedure for dealing with reports of gas incidents with regards the external installation pipework, internal installation pipework and equipment. Details of all individuals with responsibilities under this procedure should be included.

Procedure for an incident involving the gas installation on site:

- Call RFCA National Gas Emergency line on 0800 030 9320, open 24 hours per day.
- The EGDN shall attend and make safe a gas incident.
- Vivo Gas Responsible Person shall be informed immediately via text and email.

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## 6 GAS EQUIPMENT

### 6.1 Equipment List.

This section is to include details of all the gas equipment being used at the establishment.

Building number	Equipment location	Equipment type (make, model)	Serial Number	Appliance kW rating	Flue classification	Comments
Main building	Drill hall	Powrmatic NV50 air heater	N/A	54.23	Open	No record available. Appliance at high level.

### 6.2 Additional equipment information.

This section is to contain any additional equipment information that may be required or may be of benefit to this GSMP or emergency procedures.

None

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## 7 ANNEXES

