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It gives me great pleasure to write to inform you that Surrey County Council has been selected for a Gold Award under the Ministry of Defence's Employer Recognition Scheme. This award recognises employers who are acting as advocates of support to Defence and the Armed Forces community.

Through the Employer Recognition Scheme, we publically recognise the commitment that organisations such as Surrey County Council are making by acting as advocates for Defence People. We are grateful for your positive attitude and policies towards the Armed Forces community and see you as an exemplar employer supporting Defence.

You will shortly receive a personal invitation to an awards ceremony which will be held in London on 12 October this year. Defence Relationship Management will be in contact very soon to discuss the next steps in more detail, including communications around the announcement of your award.

I would like to take this opportunity both to congratulate Surrey County Council on receiving this Gold Award and to thank you for the considerable support you are giving to our Servicemen and women. I very much hope to be able to see you at the awards event.

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