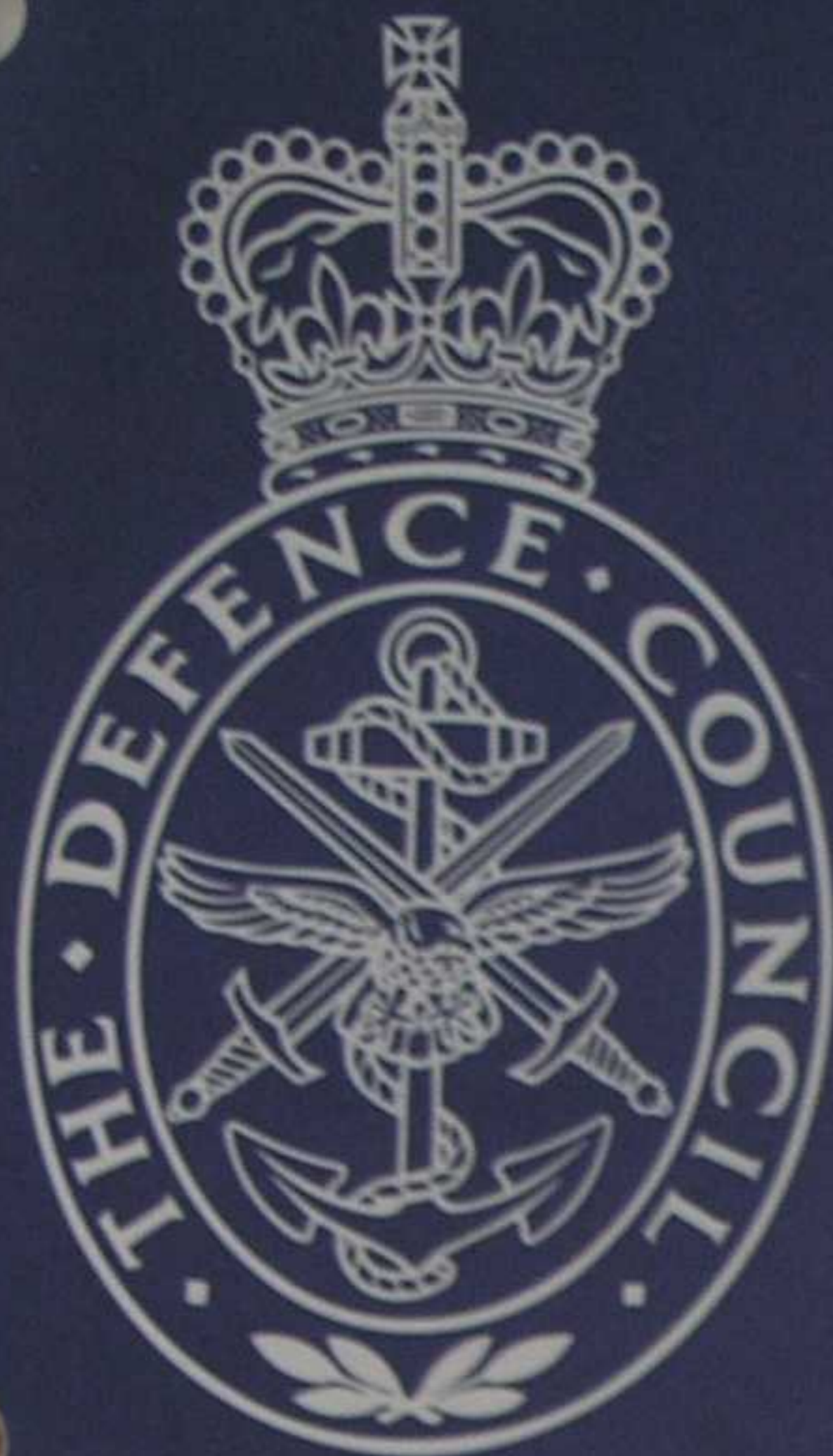


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134/03 Introduction of the Rank of Lance Corporal into the Royal Marine Band Service (U)

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References:

A. BR 1066 Chapter 29 ANNEX G

B. BR 1950 Article 1017b & ANNEX 10D.3 - Royal Marine Band Service

1. The non-substantive rank of Lance Corporal (LCpl) was introduced into the Royal Marine Band Service (RMBS) on 1 Oct 03. This measure rectifies the current misalignment with the RM General Service and formally recognizes the senior Musicians/Buglers who have passed Junior Command Course (Band) (JCC Band) and are awaiting advancement to Band Corporal/Corporal Bugler. Furthermore, this scheme will be retention positive and contribute towards the requirements of the RMBS secondary operational role.
2. The Principal Director of Music, in conjunction with the Corps Drafting Officer, is authorized to advance individuals to the rank of LCpl (BS) up to a ceiling of 27. In practice, the RMBS maintains a merit based roster of those Musicians/Buglers who have passed JCC Band and the LCpl rank will be awarded to the top 27 in order of merit, rather than being allocated to specific RM Bands. The RM LCpl permitted ceilings shown at Reference A will be amended in due course. The pay implications are detailed at Reference B.
3. A copy of this DCI is to be retained inside the front cover of BR 1066 (Promotion and Advancement Regulations) until the publication is updated.