

TODAY'S SHROPSHIRE STAR – 14/09/15

U turn secures RAF Cosford future

The future of RAF Cosford as a training base has been secured following a Government u-turn, it was announced today.



Secretary of State for Defence Michael Fallon

The base had been under threat from plans to site a £121 million Defence College of Technical Training (DCTT) on the former RAF Lyneham site near Swindon, which would have been used by the army, navy and RAF.

It would have seen three training “schools” and the people who work at them move from Cosford to the new site - but that will no longer happen following an announcement by Secretary of State for Defence, Michael Fallon, in a written statement.

Instead the base is being given extra work, with a fourth school moving from MoD St Athan up to Cosford as a result of the revised shake-up.

Mr. Fallon said the plan to move everything to Lyneham was “no longer the best solution” and revealed it would now only be used by the army.

(Comment: Perhaps someone is looking at the UK Defence drastic cuts, with another u turn on the way!)