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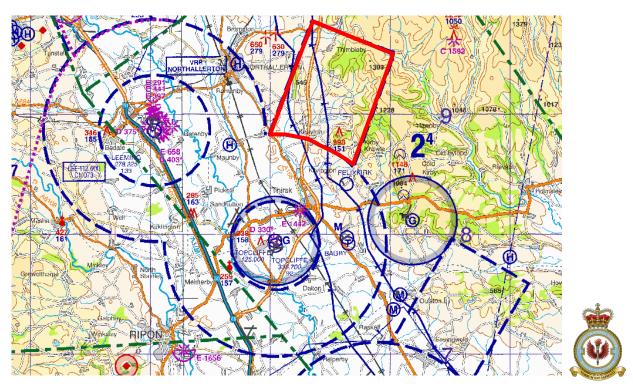
### **RAF Topcliffe Airspace Change Proposals (ACP)**

As highlighted at the Yorkshire Regional Airspace Users Working Group (RAUWG) at RAF Linton-on-Ouse, in Nov 19, the intent is to make two changes to the airspace surrounding RAF Topcliffe. These changes have been submitted to the CAA as ACPs and can be viewed on the CAA ACP Portal. The changes are aimed at freeing up airspace for local users and are as follows:

- ACP-2019-79 Removal of MATZ stub
- ACP-2019-80 Reduction in ATZ Hours of Watch

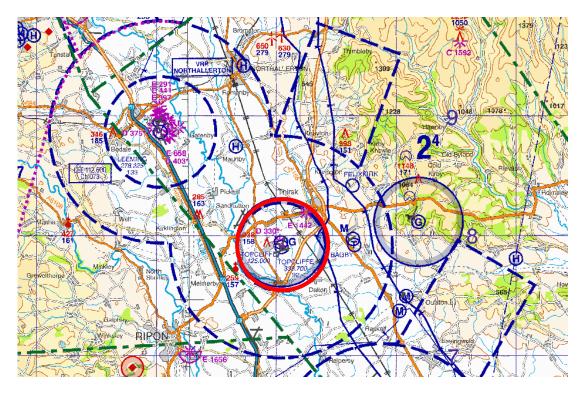
## ACP-2019-79 – Removal of stub to the RAF Topcliffe MATZ

VFR Air Chart (Mil 1:250,000) Depicting RAF Topcliffe MATZ and Stub (Stub in Red)



**Statement of Need.** RAF Topcliffe has a MATZ, which is part of the RAF Leeming CMATZ, as detailed in ENR 2.2, Para 2.4. The MATZ also has a stub to the North East on heading 201 degrees T to the MATZ. Whilst the MATZ is still required, the stub is not and can be removed from Column 4 and the VFR charts. The Initial Contact Frequency has also changed and is no longer 127.750MHz. This should be changed to match Leeming, as the MATZ controlling authority, 133.375MHz.

## ACP-2019-80 – Amendment to RAF Topcliffe ATZ Hours of Watch



VFR Air Chart (Mil 1:250,000) Depicting RAF Topcliffe ATZ (in Red)

**Statement of Need.** The level of flying activity at RAF Topcliffe has changed to a point where a review of the airspace (ATZ) is appropriate, in order to free up the airspace to the GA community. RAF Topcliffe ATZ is currently H24. This request is to amend the ATZ hours of watch from 0700Z to Sunset + 15 minutes, at weekends and Public Holidays, and at all other times by NOTAM. The airfield will be primarily used for military flying at weekend and Public Holidays, however, there will be mid-week flying during approximately 5 weeks of the year, and it is recommended that these periods are activated by NOTAM, rather than block the airspace at other times. An ATZ crossing service will be available during the hours of watch via a Mil Air Ground Communication Service.

**Promulgation and notification.** This document and publications associated with these ACPs can be found on the CAA ACP Portal. If the CAA approve these ACPs, the intent will be to promulgate in AIRAC 10 with an effective date of 10 Sep 20.

### Signed Electronically

Wing Commander OC Operations Wing RAF Syerston