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NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO AIRSPACE AND AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES IN THE REGION OF ROYAL AIR FORCE LINTON-ON-OUSE

Dear Sir / Madam,

1. I am writing to inform you of some proposed changes with respect to Royal Air Force Station Linton-on-Ouse. In line with the Government Directive issued in 2018, RAF Linton-on-Ouse will close its airfield on 18 December 2020. This is a permanent closure and will result in substantial changes to the airspace in the vicinity of the Station and in the air traffic services provided by controllers at the aerodrome.

2. RAF Linton-on-Ouse currently has a standard Military Aerodrome Traffic Zone (MATZ) with a single stub and a standard Aerodrome Traffic Zone (ATZ). The MATZ is a circle of 5 nautical miles radius centred on 54 02 57.81N, 001 15 11.15W from the surface to 3000ft Above Aerodrome Level with a stub 5 nautical miles in length aligned to runway 21 which extends for 2.5 nautical miles either side of the extended centre line, between 1000ft and 3000ft Above Aerodrome Level. The RAF Linton-on-Ouse ATZ is a circle of 2 nautical mile radius centred on 54 02 57.81N, 001 15 11.15W from the surface to 2000ft Above Aerodrome Level.

3. Due to the closure of RAF Linton-on-Ouse aerodrome on 18 December 2020 the MATZ and ATZ will be disestablished. The proposed Aeronautical Information Regulation and Control date for this disestablishment is 31 December 2020. However, there will be no air traffic controllers available at RAF Linton-on-Ouse to provide a MATZ or ATZ crossing service from 18 December 2020.

4. In addition, the closure of the airfield and removal of air traffic controllers on 18 December 2020 will also result in the loss of the Lower Airspace Radar Service (LARS) currently provided by RAF Linton-on-Ouse. This service operates on a 30 nautical miles radius from Linton-on-Ouse airfield Monday to Thursday 0700-1715 BST (0600-1615 Zulu) and Friday 0730-1700 BST (0630-1600 Zulu) or as published by NOTAM.

5. If you have any questions, concerns or comments regarding the proposal as outlined above, please contact Squadron Leader Andrew Palik, Aerodrome Operator RAF Linton-on-Ouse via telephone on 01347 84 7487 or via email at the following address: Andrew.palik203@mod.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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