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Subject: 20210514: BVLOS UAS Operations - Portsmouth to Isle of Wight (ACP-2021-002)
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[REDACTED],

I am writing to you today in relation to the Airspace Change Proposal (ACP) titled “BVLOS UAS Operations - Portsmouth to Isle of Wight (ACP-2021-002)”. Following on from the Assessment Meeting, you have conducted targeted stakeholder engagement and you have provided evidence of your engagement in a Summary Report. My colleagues and I have reviewed your ACP and associated documents today.

We felt the proposed TDA structure potentially suggests a well-formed proposal to address your initial requirement. Unfortunately, on the basis of the evidence provided, we were not satisfied that the requirements of the TDA process for the effective engagement have been fully met and have concerns regarding the potential effect to stakeholders from the combined effect of this proposal with a neighbouring Goodwood TDA (ACP-2020-082) structure (marked as a yellow circle on the attached chart). We felt this was particularly important due to the fact the current proposal allowed no provision of a DACS/DAAIS service and the request potentially allowed for 5 days per week of active structure over a 90-day period. Furthermore the proposed TDA is intended to enable approximately 4 return flights during the day, where the flights will be determined by NHS demand. It was not clear of the intended daily duration of any TDA activation, this would clearly inform the potential impact.



It is evident that during the initial engagement Skyflight UAV Ltd considered and responded to the feedback received from local stakeholders, however we feel that further engagement is required to ensure that the potential impacts on and/or interactions with local aviation stakeholders are fully understood, acknowledged and mitigated where possible. We therefore feel it would be beneficial to conduct a further period of defined engagement and resubmit the application. This should allow more time to present the revised duration and include engagement with the sponsors for ACP-2020-082 to achieve a better understanding of the cumulative impact of the two TDA proposals. In addition to this, it will also allow time to further investigate options for DACS/DAAIS provision.

I appreciate this may be disappointing news but please do not hesitate to contact us for advice on moving this application forward.

Kind regards,

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