

DVOR Rationalisation
Removal of Enroute Dependencies
Trent (TNT) DVOR

DVOR TNT Holds and STARs CAP1616 Stage 2 Gateway

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1. Introduction

This document continues the CAP1616 process started with the Statement of Need (DAP1916) submitted in July 2020 ([Ref 3](#)). The intent of this document is to summarise and satisfy the requirements of CAP1616 Stage 2. The CAA reference is ACP-2020-020, the link to the CAA progress page is [here](#).

This proposal is limited to removing the dependency of enroute instrument flight procedures in the UK AIP from the Trent (TNT) DVOR. Hence this proposal is focused on Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STARs) and Holding procedures which refer to TNT as a conventional navaid in the enroute environment, where NATS is the primary Air Navigation Service Provider (ANSP). There is one amendment to an ATS route as part of this proposal.

This proposal contains the relevant changes to remove the dependency on TNT from these STARs and Holds. Design Principles have been developed ([Ref 4](#)) which are focused on best removing the enroute DVOR dependencies whilst ensuring the changes are safe and do not result in changes to flight behaviour. This document will identify:

- option concepts for replacing current connectivity relevant to TNT with RNAV procedures;
- an evaluation of those option concepts against the Design Principles;
- a full list of the specific changes.

2. Stage 2 Develop and Assess

Step 2A Options Development

2.1 CAA's [PBN STAR Replication Policy \(V2\)](#) was published in Mar 2018 and was used as the basis for this proposal. It defines PBN STAR Replication as a PBN redesign of an existing conventional STAR from the commencement of the STAR in the ATS enroute network to the termination point with the intention of retaining the existing route and track over the ground (para 5.4). Para 5.5 of the same policy makes assumptions that replication ensures procedures follow the same path over the ground as the existing conventional procedure, as closely as possible. This means that there would be no change to pilot or controller behaviour (apart from technical designation changes), and no change to lateral traffic position.

2.2 Airspace change design options

The design options considered to remove the enroute dependencies from the TNT DVOR, were limited to the following:

Option 0 – Do nothing. Retain all the STARs and Holds unchanged from today's AIP definition.

Option 1 – Using the CAA policies, replicate all relevant STARs and Holds using RNAV, exactly as defined in the AIP without considering any practicalities.

Option 2 – Examine the use of existing STARs and Holds from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating/altering them in a considered manner.

Option 3 – Remove all existing STARs and Holds that refer to or use the TNT DVOR.

On-going engagement throughout the DVOR project - with relevant airfields and ATC Development and procedure teams at Prestwick Centre - has determined that NATS would, using PBN design criteria, replicate conventional STARs (RNAV1 specification) and holds (both RNAV 1 and RNAV5 specifications). As a consequence, RNAV5 aircraft would be unable to file this STAR. However, RNAV5 aircraft will be able to closely follow the track of the STAR by the use of a series of DCT routings available within the RAD. As these procedures are replications of current conventional procedures and there is no requirement for ensuring separation from other ATS Routes/STARs. The choice of RNAV 1 navigation specification is based upon providing the maximum availability of the procedures, given improved operator equipage, aircraft capabilities and in line with the Airspace Modernisation Strategy.

The holding patterns are to be dual designated RNAV 1/RNAV 5, ensuring that RNAV 5 only aircraft remain catered for within the airspace. As RNAV 5 traffic represents a very small percentage of the overall volume, their routings will be managed by DCTs defined in the UK AIP AD2.22 where necessary.

In support of the eventual removal of the TNT DVOR, this proposal will RNAV1/5 replicate 3 Holds, serving East Midlands (ROKUP), Liverpool (TIPOD) and Manchester (DAYNE) Airports. One hold serving Liverpool (KEGUN), will be reorientated and realigned so that, with the proposed H24 availability, it does not encroach on the Valley ATA; and will be specified RNAV1/5. Eight conventional STARs (2 serving East Midlands Airport, 4 serving Liverpool Airport and 2 serving Manchester Airport) will be RNAV replicated or extended to appropriate waypoints and re-named based on their starting waypoints. To maintain Descent Planning Levels, three new STARs will be introduced to connect to (U)Y124, L15, Q38 and Q36. These replications will conform as closely as possible to the current conventional procedures, using RNAV1/5 design criteria. An existing ATS Route, (U)M868, will be revised to remove dual designation.

The current KEGUN STARs indicate being in operation between 2000-0700, meaning airlines should flight plan to TIPOD, which is detrimental to fuel uplift. In practice it has been observed that operators flight plan a mixture of TIPOD and KEGUN STARs as no RAD restriction exists preventing their use. Additionally, it is not feasible for ATC to provide discretionary use, however, radar data has shown that aircraft very rarely hold at KEGUN or TIPOD (<1% of 2019 traffic), with aircraft being vectored before WAL. This has also been

confirmed by Liverpool ATC. Removal of the chart note facilitates use of KEGUN H24, removing the existing ambiguity and potentially providing environmental benefits.

This ACP seeks to withdraw the TIPOD STARs for arrivals via KEGUN, enabling an 18 mile fuel uplift saving. The KEGUN Hold is to be made RNAV 1/5.

The RNAV 5 primary protection areas of the hold are significantly larger than those for both RNAV 1 and the existing conventional hold. As a result, the RNAV 5 primary protection areas in the existing configuration would encroach on the boundary of the Valley ATA which is undesirable, despite the fact that RNAV overlays have been in place for a number of years. The KEGUN hold is rarely used in reality, hence no adverse implications have been noted or observed to date. However, in this case it is prudent to re-align and reorientate the hold so that outbound traffic is travelling away from the Valley ATA, to reduce any risk of infringement. The reorientation of the hold will result in a simple direct-entry procedure from both directions with minimal offset from the inbound track of the STARs.

Holding at KEGUN is anticipated to remain an unlikely scenario. Given that the hold is already limited to MAX 210KIAS, a further reduction in speed was not considered viable.

As a standard direct-entry hold procedure, significantly less complex than that flown today when joining the existing conventional hold, no adverse operational impact as a result of the change is anticipated. The hold is continuously radar monitored and Liverpool ATC confirm they have no objections to the revised hold, based on the rationale and justification provided.

All of the above proposed changes are detailed fully in Annexes C-F.

East Midlands, Liverpool and Manchester Airports have been engaged with regarding this proposal and the changes to the relevant Holds and STARs (evidence of engagement with the airports is detailed in Annex G). The proposed changes are supported by the airports.

2.3 Stakeholder Engagement

As part of Stage 2, CAP1616 requires change sponsors to develop a comprehensive list of Design Options, which are tested with the same group of stakeholders who were engaged with during Stage 1. However, as covered in the Stage 1B Design Principles document ([Ref 4](#)), the Design Principles for this submission were constructed around how best to remove the enroute dependencies from the TNT DVOR, alongside ensuring the changes are safe and do not result in any changes to flight behaviour. NATS had previously taken part in a (CAA-led) consultation with the National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committee (NATMAC) on DVOR rationalisation; prior to the introduction of CAP1616 and the requirement to seek feedback on Design Principles.

Alongside the Design Principles, the Design Options have been developed to provide different methods in which the en-route dependencies can be removed from a DVOR, whilst ensuring no changes to flight behaviours. The Design Options have been used consistently across the numerous DVOR submissions as they achieve the same outcome; although they are always reviewed to ensure relevance. We therefore conclude that there is no need to re-consult with the NATMAC members, nor any additional stakeholders, as there will not be any impact upon them.

However, as part of this Airspace Change Proposal and as per previous submissions, NATS has been in contact with relevant airfields which use the STARs and associated Holds we plan to RNAV, specifically East Midlands, Liverpool and Manchester Airports. The aerodrome sections of the AIP for the affected airfields will need to be updated which this engagement has allowed us to inform them of. The proposed changes have been designed to be invisible from an airport's perspective so there are no other impacts anticipated. Annex G provides a summary of the engagement activity for these procedures.

Previous DVOR removal proposals have proposed three Design Options: in summary, to do nothing; to replicate all procedures; and lastly, to examine all procedures and improve where appropriate (rationalise/ truncate/ replicate). These Design Options were accepted by the CAA. NATS was later requested to add an additional option to all future submissions, whereby all procedures with a dependency are removed; thus, removing the DVOR dependency. The CAA acknowledged that this Design Option would not meet the Design Principles however; it is included for completeness.

The Design Options have therefore been developed so they can be applied to each of the individual DVOR submissions and have evolved following guidance from the CAA. As mentioned above, appropriate engagement has previously been completed with NATMAC members and the relevant airports; and airports will be fully briefed when their AIP pages are required to be updated.

3. Step 2A Options Development: Design Principle Evaluation

This section evaluates the performance of all 4 Design Options with respect to each of the five Design Principles. The Design Principles developed during Stage 1B ([Ref 4](#)) are included in Annex A for reference. As covered fully in the Stage 1B document, the Design Principles for this TNT DVOR submission have been developed to ensure that they are still relevant; as a consistent set has been used throughout the DVOR Programme.

The below assessment criteria have been used to determine whether each Design Option has met; partially met; or not meet each of the seven Design Principles.

Design Principle	Description	Assessment Criteria		
		Does not meet	Partially meets	Met
DP1 Safety	The proposed airspace change must maintain or enhance the current level of safety	Unlikely to pass a safety case due to major safety issues from proposed changes	Issues identified that would require a robust safety case e.g. workload, IFP (flyability), new hazards	No significant safety issues identified
DP2 No change to flight behaviour	None of the proposed technical changes to definitions of STARs/ Holds would result in a change to actual flight behaviours – laterally, vertically or in dispersal	Proposed change(s) would result in a change to >1% of flights behaviour	N/A – either met or not met	None of the proposed changes would result in a change to <1% of flights behaviour
DP3 PBN Specification	The proposed airspace change will yield maximum safety and efficiency benefits by using an appropriate standard of PBN	No RNAV replications are made as part of the proposal; or, adequate justification is not provided for the proposed changes	N/A – either met or not met	Conventional procedures are replaced with RNAV versions. Proposed changes fully consider and justify the chosen PBN specification
DP4 Remove DVOR Dependencies	Remove enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR through appropriate design changes; including removing unnecessary references to the TNT DVOR which are not material to the procedure and rationalising rarely used STARs.	Not all enroute dependencies on the TNT are removed	N/A – either met or not met	All enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR are removed
DP5 Airspace Optimisation	Where appropriate, the proposed airspace will facilitate an optimised airspace design. Including: - Use PBN Replication – replacing conventional STARs/ Holds with RNAV STARs/ Holds; - Using CAA STAR Truncation Policy, when applied logically to STARs with many common segments, can result in the withdrawal of unnecessary duplicate STARs. - Minor changes to a STAR which currently cannot be flown as it is formally define for legacy reasons – these changes reflect what would actually happen in practice. - Extend or split a current STAR to allow important Descent Planning levels to be formally incorporated in the STAR description	Procedures are not individually evaluated for potential application of this DP; therefore, no technical changes are made	Procedures are individually evaluated for potential application of this DP, but no appropriate technical changes are made	Procedures are individually evaluated for potential application of this DP, and minor changes are made, with justification provided

3.1 Option 0 – Do nothing. Retain all the STARs and Holds unchanged from today's AIP definition.

See the submitted Stage 1 Assessment Meeting slide_pack ([Ref 1](#)) for further details on the procedures which reference the TNT DVOR on their charts and which would remain as they are, for this option. The table below presents an evaluation of this option against the five Design Principles:

Option 0	REJECT		
Description of option			
This is the current scenario. No change to existing AIP definitions of STARs or Holds.			
Design Principle 1: Maintain or enhance the current level of safety			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
No change from today; the level of safety is maintained. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 2: No change to flight behaviours			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
No change to lateral/vertical track patterns. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 3: PBN specification	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Procedures are not individually evaluated for potential application of this DP; therefore, no RNAV replications would take place under this Design Option. Does not remove any enroute flight dependency from the TNT DVOR and this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			
Design Principle 4: Remove DVOR dependencies	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Procedures are not individually evaluated and therefore all existing enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR would remain and this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			
Design Principle 5: Airspace optimisation	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Procedures are not individually evaluated for potential application of this DP. Therefore, no proposed changes to optimise the airspace would take place under this Design Option and this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			

3.2 Option 1 - Using the CAA policies, replicate STARs/ Holds using RNAV, exactly as defined in the AIP without considering any practicalities.

This option would replace all dependant procedures identified in the Assessment Meeting slide pack [\(Ref 1\)](#) as RNAV procedures. This table evaluates this option against the five Design Principles:

Option 1	REJECT		
Description of option			
All IFPs would be replicated exactly as defined in the current AIP. No account would be taken of actual usage, route segment duplication, or other factors.			
Design Principle 1: Maintain or enhance the current level of safety			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Conventional IFPs replicated as RNAV procedures. The level of safety is maintained or slightly improved due to increased precision. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 2: No change to flight behaviours			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
No practical change to connectivity therefore, no change to lateral/vertical track patterns. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 3: PBN specification			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
This Design Option would purely replicate procedures like for like using an appropriate PBN specification; including route segment duplications etc. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 4: Remove DVOR dependencies			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Conventional procedures are replicated under this Design Option, which removes the enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 5: Airspace optimisation	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Asides from replicating conventional procedures as they are currently defined under this Design Option, procedures are not evaluated for potential further airspace optimisation opportunities. Therefore, this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			

Option 2 - Examine the use of existing STARS and Holds from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating/altering them in a considered manner.

This option evaluates the usage of each procedure individually and creates opportunity bespoke to specific procedures. See Annexes C-F below for the detailed proposed change for each of the procedures under this option. This table evaluates this option against the five Design Principles:

Option 2	ACCEPT and PROGRESS		
Description of option			
Examine the use of existing IFPs from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating them in a considered manner.			
Design Principle 1: Maintain or enhance the current level of safety			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment IFPs replicated as RNAV procedures with an appropriate PBN specification proposed. The level of safety is maintained or slightly improved due to increased precision. Revising the orientation and alignment of the KEGUN hold prevents the protected area encroaching the Valley ATA and increases the portion of direct entries into the hold, enhancing safety. Procedures can be simplified depending on actual usage today. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 2: No change to flight behaviours			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment Revising the orientation and alignment of the KEGUN hold could affect lateral/vertical track patterns. However, this change would have only impacted <1% of flights arriving at Liverpool via KEGUN in 2019, and therefore this design principle is met. There are no other practical changes to connectivity and therefore, no other changes to lateral/vertical track patterns. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 3: PBN specification			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment This Design Option would evaluate current IFPs and propose RNAV replication where relevant, including an appropriate specification. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied.			
Design Principle 4: Remove DVOR dependencies			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment This Design Option would evaluate current IFPs and propose that conventional procedures with an TNT dependency are replicated; thus, removing the enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied. For example, this enables the Manchester DAYNE 1B STAR to be RNAV replicated which removes the current dependency on the TNT DVOR.			
Design Principle 5: Airspace optimisation			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment This Design Option would evaluate current IFPs and where appropriate, propose changes which would facilitate an optimised airspace design. Therefore, this Design Principle would be satisfied. For example, this enables the Liverpool KEGUN 2B STAR to be RNAV replicated and extended back to an existing waypoint, thus retaining the important descent planning restriction.			

3.3 Option 3 – Remove all existing STARs and holds that refer to or use the TNT DVOR.

This option removes each STAR and Hold with a TNT dependency and replaces *TNT DVOR/DME* with *TNT DME*. This table evaluates this option against the five Design Principles:

Option 3		REJECT	
Description of option			
Remove all existing IFPs for which the TNT DVOR is materially important.			
Design Principle 1: Maintain or enhance the current level of safety	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
The removal of these procedures would create a gap in the network. This would require all aircraft currently using the existing IFPs to be channelled into other, potentially busy flows/ sectors, which could greatly increase controller workload in those areas. This could create significant safety issues from such substantial changes. Therefore, this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			
Design Principle 2: No change to flight behaviours	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Aircraft would not be able to use the current procedures, causing a significant change in flight behaviours to work around this. Therefore, this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			
Design Principle 3: PBN specification	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Procedures are not individually evaluated for potential application of this DP. Therefore, no RNAV replications would take place under this Design Option and this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			
Design Principle 4: Remove DVOR dependencies			MET
Summary of qualitative assessment			
All en-route procedures with a dependency on the TNT DVOR would be removed; thus, removing all dependencies and therefore satisfying this Design Principle.			
Design Principle 5: Airspace optimisation	NOT MET		
Summary of qualitative assessment			
Procedures are not individually evaluated for potential application of this DP. Therefore, no proposed changes to optimise the airspace would take place under this Design Option and this Design Principle would not be satisfied.			

3.4 Summary – Options Development

Using the five Design Principles, we have evaluated the four concept Design Options, as summarised above.

3.5 *Option 0: Do Nothing – Retain all the STARS and Holds unchanged from today's AIP definition.* This does not achieve the removal of dependencies from the TNT DVOR. **Rejected.**

3.6 *Option 1: Using the CAA policies, replicate STARS/ Holds using RNAV, exactly as defined in the AIP without considering any practicalities* – this achieves the removal of dependencies from the TNT DVOR and provides RNAV replication of existing conventional procedure. However, it does not allow additional network optimisations to be proposed such as improving network connectivity or withdrawing duplicate route segments. **Rejected.**

3.7 *Option 2: Examine the use of existing STARS and Holds from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating/altering them in a considered manner.* This achieves the removal of dependencies from the TNT DVOR; alongside providing the opportunity to improve upon the current airspace and procedures such as introducing an important descent planning level. **Accepted and progressed.**

3.8 *Option 3: Remove all existing STAR and Holds that refer to or use the TNT DVOR.* This would technically remove the dependencies from the TNT DVOR; however, it removes STARS and Holds that are used and needed by aircraft today and going forward. **Rejected**

Conclusion: Design Option 2 concept best meets all five of the Design Principles. The shortlist comprises the Option 2 concept only. The other three design option concepts are therefore not progressed.

End of Step 2A

4. Step 2B Options Appraisal

4.1 The baseline (do nothing) option does not achieve the removal of dependencies from the TNT DVOR. The ratings for the baseline option against each of the Design Principles shows that whilst it maintains safety levels and creates no change to flight behaviours, it does not meet the remaining three Design Principles.

4.2 Following the Design Principle evaluation, we conclude that the following Design Option 2 could be used to remove the dependencies from the TNT DVOR in accordance with the Design Principles:

Examine the use of existing STARS and Holds from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating them in a considered manner.

4.3 There would be no change in fuel/ CO₂/ greenhouse gas emissions due to this proposal because there would be no change to lateral or vertical tracks. Fuel uplift changes are unlikely to occur. There are no costs or benefits which could be reasonably monetised due to this enroute proposal.

4.4 **Safety Assessment:** The Option 2 concept would take full account of existing usage and connectivity needs. It would ensure all IFPs are designed by an APD, as regulated by CAA SARG. There would be a qualitative improvement in safety because each remaining IFP would use improved navigation specifications and be defined in an official manner. Today's conventional IFPs are known to be flown using FMS overlays, which are not state regulated in the same way.

5. TNT Option 2 Cost/ Benefit Analysis

The CAP1616 Appendix E cost/ benefit analysis is given below.

Group	Impact	Level of Analysis	Evidence
Communities	Noise impact on health and quality of life	N/A	Relevant procedures are being replicated in a manner which means there are no changes to lateral or vertical tracks, so no impact on noise or quality of life. The realignment/reorientation of the KEGUN Hold is perceived to have negligible impact due to the low usage.
Communities	Air quality	N/A	No changes below 1,000ft.
Wider society	Greenhouse gas impact	Monetise and quantify	Relevant procedures are being replicated in a manner which means there are no changes to lateral or vertical tracks, so no impact. Removal of the TIPOD STARs for EGGP arrivals via KEGUN, would facilitate a flight-planned track mileage reduction of approximately 18 miles. Actual flight behaviours will not change
Wider society	Capacity/ resilience	Qualitative	No changes
General Aviation	Access	N/A	No changes
General Aviation/ commercial airlines	Economic impact from increased effective capacity	Quantify	No changes
General Aviation/ commercial airlines	Fuel burn	Monetise	Relevant procedures are being replicated in a manner which means there are no changes to lateral or vertical tracks, so no impact. Removal of the TIPOD STARs for EGGP arrivals via KEGUN, would facilitate a flight-planned track mileage reduction of approximately 18 miles. Actual flight behaviours will not change
Commercial airlines	Training cost	N/A	N/A – there is not expected to be any airline training or associated cost.
Commercial airlines	Other costs	N/A	Updates to FMS and flight planning systems will be completed via the routine AIRAC updates. There are no other known costs which would be imposed on commercial aviation.
Airport/ Air navigation service provider	Infrastructure costs/benefit	Qualitative and quantitative	The cost of implementation of the change, adaptation of systems is estimated to be £65,000. Removal of the en-route dependency enables decommissioning of the DVOR (once airfields have removed their dependencies i.e. SIDs). This will yield an annual cost saving of circa £10,000 per DVOR (TNT).
Airport/ Air navigation service provider	Operational costs	N/A	N/A – this proposal would not lead to changes in operational costs.
Airport/ Air navigation service provider	Deployment costs	Qualitative and quantitative	N/A – this change would be introduced via briefings and bulletins for staff, with no additional training or simulation training/costs required.

5.1 **Conclusion:** There would be a positive impact on safety whilst also improving the overall network connectivity.

End of Step 2B

6. Summary

6.1 This document details the STARs and Hold where the TNT DVOR is material to the instrument flight procedure. It describes the current connectivity; the method used to progress the change; and the proposed connectivity.

6.2 This proposal will RNAV replicate a number of procedures which will conform as closely as possible to the current conventional procedures, using RNAV1/5 design criteria.

6.3 Some minor administrative changes to STARs and a Hold are included, in order to improve the consistency of charts within the AIP and to follow CAA/ ICAO guidance on the naming of STARs (i.e. changing the name to reference the start point of the STAR).

6.4 This submission also includes a number of technical amendments. Three new STARs will be introduced by extending an existing STAR back to three separate waypoints, in order to maintain important descent planning restrictions.

6.5 The proposed connectivity remains entirely unchanged due to RNAV1 replication, with or without ATS route extensions:

- routes are unchanged
- connectivity is unchanged
- hence flight behaviours and traffic patterns over the ground are unchanged.

6.6 Annexes C-F below detail the IFP changes we are proposing to make in support of removing the TNT DVOR enroute dependencies and rationalisation of the network, as summarised in Table 1 below:

Ref	Airport	Type	Procedure	TNT DVOR	Proposed Changes
1	EAST Midlands	STAR	WAL 1E	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Rename WAL 2E
2	EAST Midlands	STAR	AMPIT 1E	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Rename AMPIT 2E Extend and create 3 additional STARS
3	EAST Midlands	Hold	ROKUP	Dependent	RNAV1/5 Replicated
4	Liverpool	STAR	KEGUN 2A	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Rename LESTA 1L
5	Liverpool	STAR	KEGUN 2B	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Extend back to existing waypoint ELVOS Rename ELVOS 1L
6	Liverpool	STAR	KEGUN 1D	Non- dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Extend back to existing waypoint OKTEM Rename OKTEM 1L
7	Liverpool	STAR	KEGUN 2C	Dependent	Withdrawn
8	Liverpool	STAR	TIPOD 2F	Dependent	Withdrawn
9	Liverpool	STAR	TIPOD 2G	Dependent	Withdrawn
10	Liverpool	STAR	TIPOD 2H	Dependent	Withdrawn
11	Liverpool	STAR	TIPOD 1J	Non- dependent	Withdrawn
12	Liverpool	Hold	KEGUN	Non- dependent	RNAV1/5 Realigned/Reorientated H24 availability
13	Liverpool	Hold	TIPOD	Dependent	RNAV1/5 Replicated
14	Manchester	STAR	DAYNE 2A	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Extend back to existing waypoint ELVOS Rename ELVOS 1M
15	Manchester	STAR	DAYNE 1B	Dependent	RNAV1 Replicated Rename LESTA 1M
16	Manchester	Hold	DAYNE	Dependent	RNAV1/5 Replicated

Table 1: Summary of proposed changes

7. Conclusion

7.1 We have assessed that there are no foreseen adverse impacts of making the proposed changes described in the tables below (Annexes C - F) and conclude that making these technical changes to the procedures would not alter traffic patterns.

8. Annex A: Design Principles

Design Principle	Description
<i>DP1 Safety</i>	The proposed airspace change must maintain or enhance the current level of safety
<i>DP2 No change to flight behaviour</i>	None of the proposed technical changes to definitions of STARS/ Holds would result in a change to actual flight behaviours – laterally, vertically or in dispersal
<i>DP3 PBN Specification</i>	The proposed airspace change will yield maximum safety and efficiency benefits by using an appropriate standard of PBN
<i>DP4 Remove DVOR Dependencies</i>	Remove enroute dependencies on the TNT DVOR through appropriate design changes; including removing unnecessary references to the TNT DVOR which are not material to the procedure, and rationalising rarely used STARS
<i>DP5 Airspace Optimisation</i>	Where appropriate, the proposed airspace will facilitate an optimised airspace design. Including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use PBN Replication – replacing conventional STARS/ Holds with RNAV STARS/ Holds; - Using CAA STAR Truncation Policy, when applied logically to STARS with many common segments, can result in the withdrawal of unnecessary duplicate STARS. - Minor changes to a STAR which currently cannot be flown as it is formally define for legacy reasons – these changes reflect what would actually happen in practice. - Extend or split a current STAR to allow important Descent Planning levels to be formally incorporated in the STAR description

9. Annex B: Design Option 2: Procedure Detail

This section demonstrates the proposed changes for Design Option 2. The below screenshots show the current procedures and have been taken from the Assessment Meeting Slides ([Ref 1](#)).

Option 2: *Examine the use of existing STARS and holds from a practical point of view, re-evaluate how they are used and how the network may be improved by rationalising/truncating/replicating them in a considered manner.*

East Midlands – WAL 1E and AMPIT 1E STARS and ROKUP Hold

East Midlands – Revised STARS & Hold



1) WAL 1E STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR

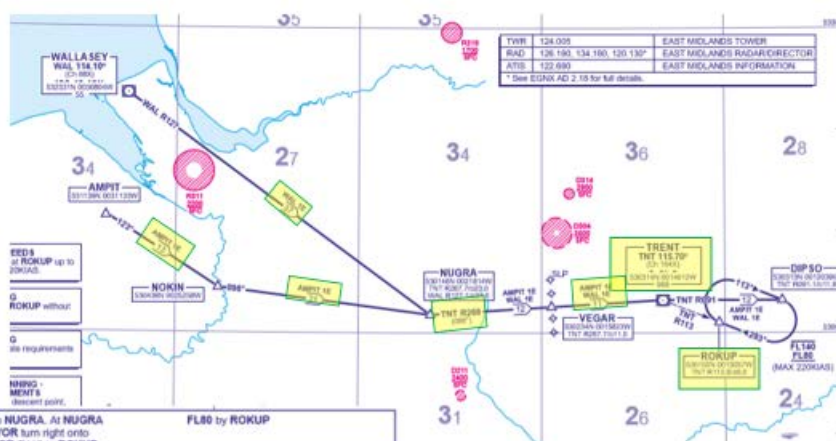
WAL – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP

2) AMPIT 1E STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR

AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP

This STAR currently has varying Descent Planning Levels so may have to be extended back to ensure these are captured on the RNAV version

3) ROKUP Hold – dependent on TNT



WAL 1E	Arrival via L975, L10 to WAL VOR continue on WAL VOR R127 to NUGRA. At NUGRA turn left onto TNT VOR R268 to VEGAR then TNT VOR. At TNT VOR turn right onto TNT VOR R091 to DIPSO. At DIPSO turn right to intercept TNT VOR R113 to ROKUP.	FL80 by ROKUP
AMPIT 1E	Arrivals via (UJ)Y124, (UL)975, Q36, Q37 (FL150 and above) and L15 to AMPIT then to NOKIN. At NOKIN turn left onto track 098° to NUGRA. At NUGRA turn left onto TNT VOR R268 to VEGAR then TNT VOR. At TNT VOR turn right onto TNT VOR R091 to DIPSO. At DIPSO turn right to intercept TNT VOR R113 to ROKUP.	FL330 by LIPFY (UL975, Q37) 0630-2300 UTC (1HR earlier in summer) FL330 by DEXEN (UY124) 0630-2300 UTC (1HR earlier in summer) FL270 by MALUX (L15, Q36) FL270 by MALUD (UL975, L15) FL270 by DOLOP (UY124) FL200 by NOKIN FL80 by ROKUP

Liverpool – KEGUN STARS 2A, 2B, 2C, 1D and Hold

Liverpool – KEGUN STARS & Hold



4) KEGUN 2A STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR

LESTA – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN

5) KEGUN 2B STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR

TNT – NANTI – KEGUN

This STAR may need to be extended back to capture Descent Planning Level at ELVOS on RNAV version

6) KEGUN 2C STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR

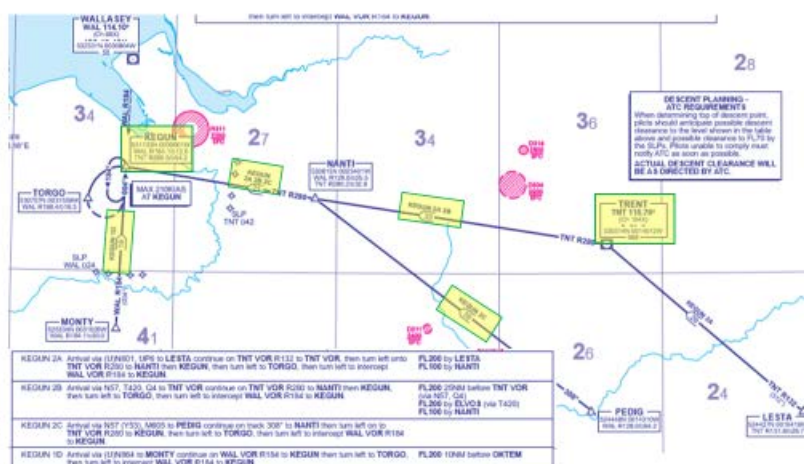
PEDIG – NANTI – KEGUN

7) KEGUN 1D STAR – not dependent on TNT DVOR

MONTY – KEGUN

This may need extending back to OKTEM to capture planning levels.

8) KEGUN Hold – dependent on TNT



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Liverpool – TIPOD STARS 2F, 2G, 2H, 1J & Hold

Liverpool – TIPOD STARS & Hold

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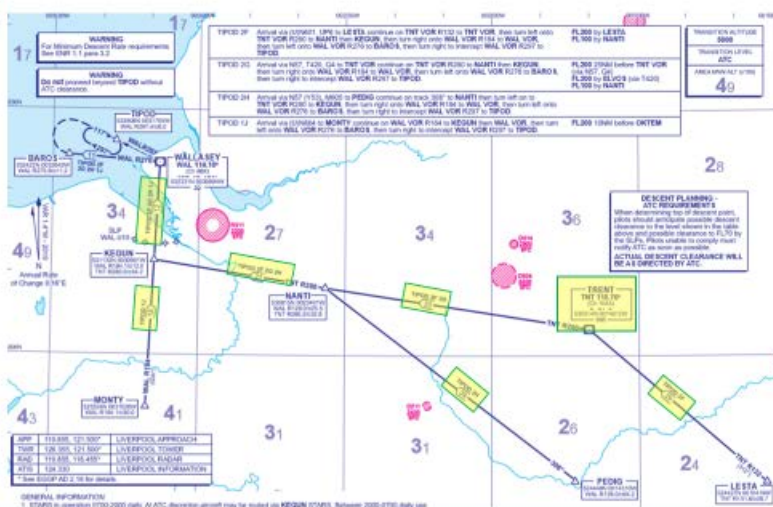
9) TIPOD 2F STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR
LESTA – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD

10) TIPOD 2G STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR
TNT – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD

11) TIPOD 2H STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR
PEDIG – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD

12) TIPOD 1J STAR – not dependent on TNT DVOR
MONTY – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD

13) TIPOD Hold – not dependent on TNT



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Manchester – DAYNE STARS 2A, 1B & Hold

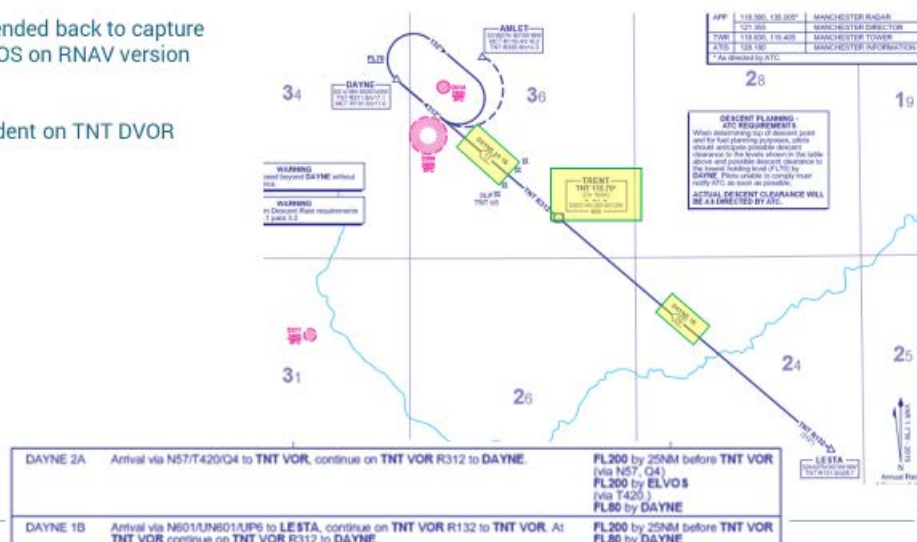
Manchester – DAYNE STARS & Hold

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14) DAYNE 2A STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR
TNT – DAYNE
This STAR may need to be extended back to capture Descent Planning Level at ELVOS on RNAV version

15) DAYNE 1B STAR – dependent on TNT DVOR
LESTA – TNT – DAYNE

16) DAYNE Hold



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10. Annex C: Impact Assessment – East Midlands Procedures

For charts and technical notes, see the Assessment Meeting slide pack [\(Ref 1\)](#) for the current IFPs.

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
WAL 1E STAR	L10/L975/Q4: WAL – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV1 replication and re-designation	L10/L975/Q4: WAL – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP Re-named as WAL 2E	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV1 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its starting waypoint <i>WAL</i> and the 'E' designator used to denote the destination airport (East Midlands), and numerically incremented</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p> <p>RNAV5 Aircraft will follow a series of DCT's which replicate the route of the RNAV1 STAR and the ROKUP hold will be designated RNAV1/5</p>
AMPIT 1E STAR	L15: AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP –	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV1 replication and re-designation AMPIT 1 E will also be extended backwards to 3 different waypoints and 3 new stars introduced.	L15: AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP Re-named as AMPIT 2E (U)Y124: DOLOP – AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP New STAR named as DOLOP 1E	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV1 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its starting waypoint <i>AMPIT</i> and the 'E' designator used to denote the destination airport (East Midlands), and numerically incremented</p> <p>Extending the STAR back to <i>DOLOP</i>, <i>MAKUX</i> and <i>MALUD</i> and creating 3 new STARS will provide flight plannable options and retain the important descent planning restrictions.</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p> <p>RNAV5 Aircraft will follow a series of DCT's which replicate the route of the RNAV1 STAR and the ROKUP hold will be designated RNAV1/5</p>

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
				<p>L15/Q38: MAKUX – SOSIM – GIGTO – MALUD - AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP</p> <p>New STAR named MAKUX 1E</p> <p>Q36: MALUD – AMPIT – NOKIN – NUGRA – VEGAR – TNT – DIPSO – ROKUP</p> <p>New STAR named MALUD 1E</p>	
ROKUP Hold	N/A	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV 1/5 replication	N/A	This Hold will be RNAV1/5 replicated, to match as closely as possible with the currently published conventional Hold.

11. Annex D: Impact Assessment – Liverpool Procedures

For charts and technical notes, see the Assessment Meeting slide pack [\(Ref 1\)](#) for the current IFPs.

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
KEGUN 2A STAR	(U)N601/UP6: LESTA – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV1 replication and re-designation	(U)N601: LESTA – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN Re-named as LESTA 1L	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV1 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its new starting waypoint <i>LESTA</i> and the 'L' designator used to denote the destination airport (Liverpool).</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routing.</p> <p>RNAV5 Aircraft will follow a series of DCT's which replicate the route of the RNAV1 STAR and the KEGUN hold will be designated RNAV1/5.</p> <p>Due to the Hard-coded level on the STAR DCT required between MOGLI and LESTA to capture UP6 traffic.</p>
KEGUN 2B STAR	N57/T420/Q4: TNT – NANTI – KEGUN	Satisfies all 5 DPs	RNAV1 replication, STAR extension and re-designation	T420: ELVOS – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN Q4/N57s Re-named as ELVOS 1L	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV1 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>Extending the STAR back to <i>ELVOS</i> will provide flight plannable options and retain the important descent planning restriction.</p> <p>The routings via N57 and Q4 are subject to very low traffic volumes and are addressed with amendments to the SRD/RAD, enabling traffic to join ELVOS 1L at TNT</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its new starting waypoint <i>ELVOS</i> and the 'L' designator used to denote the destination airport (Liverpool).</p>

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
					<p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p> <p>RNAV5 Aircraft will follow a series of DCT's which replicate the route of the RNAV1 STAR and the KEGUN hold will be designated RNAV1/5</p>
N/a	N/A	Satisfies all 5 DPs	RNAV Replication of current ATC MOPS	TNT (Hold)	<p>Introduction of a new RNAV1/5 hold replicating a current ATC MOPS for backup to the DAYNE/KEGUN hold.</p> <p>Currently, ATC can and do hold at TNT for both EGCC and EGGP arrivals, when DAYNE/KEGUN is either full, or bad weather prevents holding. Publishing this Hold in the AIP will improve safety when utilised.</p> <p>The hold will be created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing ATC MOPS.</p>
KEGUN 1D STAR	(U)N864: MONTY – KEGUN	Satisfies all 5 DPs	RNAV1 replication, STAR extension and re-designation	<p>(U)N864: OKTEM – GODPA – KEGUN</p> <p>Re-named as OKTEM 1L</p>	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV1 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>Extending the STAR back to OKTEM will provide flight plannable options and retain the important descent planning restriction.</p> <p>GODPA replaces SLP (WAL D24)</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its new starting waypoint <i>OKTEM</i> and the 'L' designator used to denote the destination airport (Liverpool).</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p>

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
					RNAV5 Aircraft will follow a series of DCT's which replicate the route of the RNAV1 STAR and the KEGUN hold will be designated RNAV1/5
KEGUN 2C STAR	N57(Y53)/M605: PEDIG – NANTI – KEGUN	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	Withdraw	N/A	Due to low levels of traffic this star will no longer be required. Aircraft will be able to flight plan a DCT NANTI and join LESTA 1L or ELVOS 1L STARs.
TIPOD 2F STAR	(U)N601/UP6: LESTA – TNT – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS - TIPOD	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	Withdraw	N/A	Due to the proposed change to the KEGUN hold, the TIPOD 2F will no longer be required.
TIPOD 2G STAR	N57/T420/Q4: TNT – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	Withdraw	N/A	Due to the proposed change to the KEGUN hold, the TIPOD 2G will no longer be required.
TIPOD 2H STAR	N57 (Y53)/M605: PEDIG – NANTI – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS - TIPOD	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	Withdraw	N/A	Due to the proposed change to the KEGUN hold, the TIPOD 2H will no longer be required.
TIPOD 1J STAR	(U)N864: MONTY – KEGUN – WAL – BAROS – TIPOD	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	Withdraw	N/A	Due to the proposed change to the KEGUN hold, the TIPOD 1J will no longer be required.

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
KEGUN Hold	N/A	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV 1/5 specification, H24 availability, Alignment & orientation adjusted to remain clear of Valley ATA	N/A	This Hold will be RNAV1/5 specified. Based on the existing conventional KEGUN Hold position, realigned and reorientated to remain clear of the Valley ATA, available H24. Inbound track – 321.00° (T) Direction – Right Hand
TIPOD Hold	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Will not be utilised for the STARs being withdrawn through this ACP, but still required for STARs TIPOD 3A/2B/1C/1D/1E.

12. Annex E: Impact Assessment – Manchester Procedures

For charts and technical notes, see the Assessment Meeting slide pack [\(Ref 1\)](#) for the current IFPs.

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
DAYNE 2A STAR	N57/T420: TNT – DAYNE	Satisfies all 5 DPs	RNAV1 replication, STAR extension and re-designation	T420: ELVOS – TNT – DAYNE Q4/N57 Re-named as ELVOS 1M	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV5 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>Extending the STAR back to <i>ELVOS</i> will provide flight plannable options and retain the important descent planning restriction.</p> <p>The routeings via N57 and Q4 are subject to very low traffic volumes and are addressed with amendments to the SRD/RAD, enabling traffic to join ELVOS 1M at TNT</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its new starting waypoint <i>ELVOS</i> and the 'M' designator used to denote the destination airport (Manchester).</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p>
DAYNE 1B STAR	N601/UN601/UP6: LESTA – TNT - DAYNE	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV1 replication and re-designation	N601: <i>LESTA</i> – TNT – DAYNE Re-named as LESTA 1M	<p>The conventional STAR will be RNAV5 replicated and re-named.</p> <p>STAR to be re-named based on its new starting waypoint <i>LESTA</i> and the 'M' designator used to denote the destination airport (Manchester).</p> <p>The STAR will be replicated and created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing routeing.</p>
DAYNE Hold	N/A	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV1/5 replication	N/A	<p>This Hold will be RNAV1 and RNAV5 replicated, to match as closely as possible with the currently published conventional Hold.</p>

Current IFP	Current route connectivity/ STAR	Design Principle	How	Proposed route Connectivity/ STAR	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
N/a	N/A	Satisfies all 5 DPs	RNAV Replication of current ATC MOPS	TNT (Hold)	<p>Introduction of a new RNAV1 and RNAV5 hold replicating a current ATC MOPS for backup to the DAYNE hold.</p> <p>Currently, ATC can and do hold at TNT for both EGCC and EGGP arrivals, when DAYNE/KEGUN is either full, or bad weather prevents holding. Publishing this Hold in the AIP will improve safety when utilised.</p> <p>The hold will be created using RNAV design criteria to align as closely as possible with the existing ATC MOPS.</p>

13. Annex F: Route Revision

ATS Route Name	Current route	Proposed Route Name	Design Principle	How	Proposed route	Impact of proposed change on connectivity and flight behaviour
(U)M868	TNT – TIPIL – EVSON - ADELU	M868	Satisfies DP1, DP2, DP3, & DP4 - no further changes proposed (DP5)	RNAV5	TIPIL – EVSON - ADELU	(U)M868 will be truncated to remove the Dual Designation with (U)N57 between TNT & TIPIL. Connectivity will be maintained via (U)N57 TNT - TIPIL

14. Annex G: List of references

Reference	Name	Hyperlink
1	<i>TNT DVOR CAP1616 Stage 1 Assessment Meeting Slide pack</i>	Link
2	<i>TNT DVOR Assessment Meeting minutes (redacted)</i>	Link
3	<i>TNT DVOR Statement of Need</i>	Link
4	<i>TNT DVOR Stage 1B Design Principles</i>	Link
5	<i>TNT DVOR Removal Engagement Evidence (redacted) V1.1</i>	Link

15. Annex H: Engagement Evidence

This section summarises the engagement activities in support of this ACP.

Stakeholder	Type of engagement	Date	Notes
East Midlands Airport	Email	Dec 2020	Email discussion of RNAV options and ROKUP/DIPSO Hold options.
	Email	May 2021	Email summarising proposed changes to relevant procedures; with approval.
	Teams call	May 2021	To discuss and seek approval of proposed changes to relevant procedures
Liverpool Airport	Teams call	Feb 2021	To discuss TNT removal options/procedure changes
	Teams call	Mar 2021	To discuss progress and timelines
	Teams call	May 2021	To discuss progress and timelines
	Email	May 2021	Email summarising proposed changes to relevant procedures; with approval.
Manchester Airport	Teams call	Feb 2021	TNT DVOR progress and timelines
	Teams call	Mar 2021	TNT DVOR update
	Teams call	Mar 2021	TNT DVOR project activities and expected timelines
	Email	May 2021	Email summarising proposed changes to relevant procedures; with approval.

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