

Minutes of GWC DVOR Rationalisation Assessment Teleconference between NATS/ CAA on 21/12/2018

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CAA Assessment Meeting Opening Statement

CAA confirmed that the presentation slides would be published together with minutes of the meeting on the CAA website. CAA explained the purpose of the meeting and confirmed that the meeting was an Assessment Meeting and not a Gateway. The CAA reinforced that the sponsor was required to provide a broad description of their proposed approach to meeting the CAA's CAP 1616 requirements but the CAA was not deciding whether the proposed approach met the detailed requirements of the CAA's process at this stage. The purpose of the Assessment Meeting (set out in detail in CAP 1616) was broadly:

- for the Sponsor to present and discuss their Statement of Need,
- to enable the CAA to consider whether the proposal concerned falls within the scope of the formal airspace change process,
- to enable the CAA to consider the appropriate provisional Level to assign to the change proposal.

Additionally, the sponsor was required to provide information on how it intended to proceed to fulfil the requirements of the airspace change process and to provide information on timescales. Lastly, the sponsor was required to provide information on how it intended to meet the engagement requirements of the various stage of the airspace change process.

Meeting Notes

[REDACTED] ran through a slide pack document summarising the following (covered below):

- Statement of Need
- Background
- Current operation
- Potential change Options
- Issues or opportunities arising from proposed change
- Provisional indication of the appropriate scaling level and note re process requirements
- Provision process timescales and multi-gateway assessment
- Next steps

█ had sent the presentation slide pack to █ prior to the teleconference. An updated and redacted version was sent straight after the meeting (21/12/2018) to include ATS route UY8 on the diagrams. Receipt received from █ (21/12/2018).

█ read out the CAA assessment meeting opening statement covering the purpose of the meeting and confirmation that the Statement of Need had been received/ uploaded to the portal.

█ led through the slide pack as summarised:

Statement of Need

- Original and revised Statement of Needs were covered, including the differences

Background

- A brief summary into the overall project history and purpose

Current operation

- Current STARs and ATS Routes covered by the proposed changes were summarised including appropriate charts
- No changes to these would be Option 0: baseline (do nothing)

Potential change Options

- Option 1 and Option 2 summarised
- Option 1: replicate each IFP with a GWC dependency
- Option 2: evaluate each IFP individually and use replication where appropriate

█ confirmed that the proposed changes also cover a wider route rationalisation target from NATS e.g. removal of "U" designators; and adhering to the CAA request to use destination airports as RNAV STAR designators.

Issues or opportunities arising from proposed change

- Benefits and issues for each Option were covered
- Option 2 provides a much more malleable and rationalised approach

Provisional indication of the appropriate scaling level and note re process requirements

- NATS expectation of a Level 2C change
- Acknowledgement of dependency with SAM/ OCK ACP

Provision process timescales and multi-gateway assessment

- Covered the provisional GWC DVOR rationalisation gateway target timescale
- Aiming for AIRAC 06/2019 which requires all documentation (Stages 1-4) to be submitted on or by 11/01/2019

Next steps

- Covered the planned work submission (11/01) and airport engagement

█ queried whether EGLC and EGMC will also be engaged with regarding the change to STARs which directly support their airports. █ confirmed; they will be engaged with via email, alongside EGKK.

█ – cannot currently confirm, but likely to fall under a Level 2C change; not aware of any other anticipated impacts which would change this.

█ highlighted current IFP resource issues

█ – acknowledged that IFP team are currently working on SAM/ OCK IFP work which GWC ACP is dependent on. However, and despite this dependency, there would be no new IFP work/ review for the GWC proposal – IFP team already has the MID1X change.

█ to discuss the next steps internally prior an agreement, including the multi-gateway proposal; acknowledges the proposed and referenced timescales.

█ questioned whether the GWC ACP requires the appendix tables covered in Appendix F of CAP1616. █ confirmed that they do (09/01).

Actions arising from GWC DVOR Rationalisation Assessment Meeting

Subject	Name	Action	Deadline
Revised slide pack	█	█ to send updated and redacted assessment slide pack to █	21/12/18 - complete
ACP Appendix tables	█	█ to clarify whether tables required (Page 173 onwards in 1616)	08/01/18
Next steps	█	█ to discuss internally and respond with next steps	08/01/18