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Subject: BVLOS UAS Operations – Portsmouth to Isle of Wight (TDA Extension) - Decision
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Title: BVLOS UAS Operations – Portsmouth to Isle of Wight (TDA Extension)

Reference: ACP-2021-002

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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 the request to extend the period of this TDA, 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 engagement report, TDA proposal and all associated correspondence. We have determined that the level of targeted engagement undertaken is proportionate for this request. The post engagement report meets the requirements set out in the process and the summary of feedback is a fair and accurate representation of stakeholders views. With that in mind, I can confirm that the decision has, noting the conditions and restrictions outlined below, been to **approve** the request for extension to the Temporary Danger Area complex in relation to ACP-2021-002.

Your proposal to extend was considered against the original requirements in your Statement of Need. We noted no significant increase in impact by extending the dates and that key local stakeholders appear content with the proposal and deconfliction measures detailed in the Letters of Agreement. We acknowledge BMAA concerns about the continued requirement to activate this TDA and we also noted the Letter of Support from Chief Pharmacist at Isle of Wight NHS Trust which states,

“A period of less than 2-months will reduce the number of data points gathered to 1 month, in most instances this is unhelpful for trend analysis. Therefore 2-months will provide enough operational procedure validation, spanning several staff shift variations, which is necessary for pharmacy team resource consideration. It will also provide more opportunities for Air Ambulance/HM Coastguard procedure integration and allow us to better determine the long-term economic sustainability of a drone delivery service.”

For this reason, you are approved to activate the TDA structure from **5 May 2022 to 5 July 2022** in accordance with your proposed AIC to meet the requirements of your original Statement of Need. If satisfied that you have met the criteria for project success before the end of the TDA applicability period, you are to withdraw the AIC for the TDA immediately.

The following conditions should be met prior to activation of the TDA:

- The full range of stakeholder groups must be informed of the CAA’s regulatory decision and be provided with clarification of when the decision will be implemented;
- As suggested in the engagement summary, you should develop and share with stakeholders a flying schedule covering the 2-month period in addition to publishing the NOTAM;
- Appropriate measures must be put in place for the monitoring, collating and reporting on the level and contents of complaints to the CAA and stakeholders should be notified of the arrangements. The CAA expect reporting on complaints on a two-weekly basis throughout the operation of the TDA;

- You must record all approvals and denials to enter the TDA whilst it is active.

We would also welcome and support the suggestion that the results of the project are shared and would encourage you to consider making this information available to a broader range of stakeholders by uploading it to the airspace change portal.

The next stage for this ACP is 'Implementation'. The CAA will submit a revised Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) which will be published on **5th May 2022**. You will be unable to activate the required TDA until at least **5th May 2022**, when your 2-month notification period will commence.

In order to activate the required Temporary Danger Areas, please contact Airspace Regulation Operations on [REDACTED] quoting an activity number and TDA reference, both will be provided to you in due course, with the required activation timings.

Kind regards,

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