



ACP 2019-86 – Biggin Hill London Airport Runway 21 GNSS IAP

Stage 3 Gateway Outcome – 26 August 22

As part of Stage 3 of the CAP 1616 airspace change process, the UK Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) has completed a Stage 3 Gateway Assessment of Biggin Hill London Airport Runway 21 GNSS IAP airspace change proposal (ACP) 2019-86 – Biggin Hill London Airport Runway 21 GNSS IAP.

In order for the CAA to allow an ACP to pass through the stage 3 Gateway:

- 1) the change sponsor must have produced a consultation strategy
- 2) the change sponsor must have produced appropriate and effective consultation documents and supporting materials
- 3) the change sponsor must have produced a full options appraisal (phase II)
- 4) the CAA must have published a statement approving the consultation documents and supporting material as satisfactory against the requirements in Appendix C
- 5) the CAA must have completed and published an assessment that the options appraisal is satisfactory against the requirements in Appendix E

At the Gateway assessment for this proposal, the CAA concluded that Criteria 2 and 3 were not met for the following reasons:

- 2) **Gunning Principle 2** – Sufficient reasons must be put forward for any proposal to permit “intelligent consideration” and response.

CAP1616 Para 154 - The materials must be meaningful and clear with any assertions being evidenced and referenced as required.

- 3) **CAP 1616 Para 157** – The sponsor has not produced a full options appraisal (phase II).

The CAA has informed the change sponsor of this decision. In line with CAP 1616, the change sponsor is now able to reconsider its submission before resubmitting it for further review by the CAA at a future Gateway.

It is important to note that whether an ACP passes a gateway successfully or not does not predetermine the CAA’s later final decision on whether to approve the airspace change proposal. This decision is not an explicit or implicit comment on the merits or otherwise of this ACP. This will come at the decision-making stage (Stage 5 - DECIDE).