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I am writing to you today in relation to the Airspace Change Proposal (ACP) titled “*RAF Syerston TDA (ACP-2022-002)*”. Following 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 engagement report, traffic redistribution analysis, final proposal and all associated correspondence. We have determined that the level of engagement undertaken is proportionate for this airspace change proposal. 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 a Temporary Danger Area in relation to ACP-2022-002.

We note that through the use of Letters of Agreement (LoA) you have agreed a process with other airspace users to ensure their requirements are considered. This combined with the limitations proposed on notification, duration and timing ensures a low impact to stakeholders, thus embracing core tenants of the Flexible Use of Airspace, including elements of Collaborative Decision Making. We also note that the provision of a Danger Area Crossing Service (DACS) and Danger Area Activity Information Service (DAAIS) further reduces impact to stakeholders. Any substantive change to the principles presented in these documents should be referred to the CAA to ensure this process remains in place.

We also note your request for dispensation from Special Use Airspace - Safety Buffer Policy for Airspace Design Purposes. We have considered the safety arguments presented in the Summary Report and assess the mitigations to be acceptable considering the precise nature of the high energy manoeuvres taking place within the TDA.

You are approved to activate the TDA from 9 January 2023 until 7 April 2023 in accordance with the timings specified in your final proposal. If satisfied that you have met the criteria for trial success before the end of the TDA applicability period, you should withdraw the AIC for the TDA immediately. The following conditions should be met prior to activation of the TDA:

- All Letters of Agreement should be presented to CAA Airspace Regulation in final, signed form prior to activation of the TDA;
- You should continue to engage with the full range of stakeholder groups effected by the proposal highlighting CAA’s regulatory decision and notifying them when implementation is anticipated;
- You should submit to the CAA your engagement strategy for informing relevant community stakeholders of the likely impacts arising from the proposal affecting traffic operating below 7,000 ft over an inhabited area;
- 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.

The next stage for this ACP is 'Implementation'. The CAA will submit an Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) which will be published on 29 December 2022. You will be approved to activate the required TDA from 9 January 2023, when your 90-day notification period will commence.

If activating the Temporary Danger Area through CAA, please contact Airspace Regulation Operations on [arops@caa.co.uk](mailto:arops@caa.co.uk) quoting an activity number and TDA reference, both will be provided to you in due course, with the required activation timings. Please ensure that at least 24 hours' notice is provided noting Airspace Regulations operating hours are Mon-Fri 0830-1630L. NOTAM promulgation is usually between 0900-1600L. Please provide as much lead in time as possible to ensure the required TDA is activated with sufficient notice for other airspace users.

Kind regards,

  
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