



DAP1916 - Statement of Need

Tracking Code: QMFP282

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

☒ Please ensure the contents of CAP 1616 Appendix A are referred to prior to completing this form. *

TYPE OF CHANGE

1. Category of Airspace Change

Does your proposal concern Changes to Notified Airspace Design or Planned and Permanent Restructuring of Air Traffic? *

☒ Changes to Notified Airspace Design ☐ Planned and Permanent Restructuring of Air Traffic

☒ Have you previously submitted a Statement of Need?

Please enter a title for this intended change, (max 80 characters): *

Free Route Airspace Deployment 4

2. Title of proposal

Which of the following categories is the proposal being progressed under? *

☒ Permanent ☐ Temporary ☐ Transitional

If known, please provide the ACP/PPR reference number (###-YYYY-NNN)

ACP-2021-072

Please provide your rationale for submitting a revised Statement of Need below: *

Reassessment of lateral scope of deployment area

SPONSOR

3. Change Sponsor Details

Please select the appropriate category and complete. *

☒ A Company
☐ An Unincorporated Association or other body
☐ Individual (including sole traders and partnerships)

3a. A Company

Registered Company name (n fu) *

NATS En Route Ltd (NERL)

Registered Company Number

04138218

Trading Address (primary site)

Trading name (if applicable)

E-mail

Postcode

PO15 7FL

Registered Office Address

4000 Parkway, Whiteley, Fareham, Hampshire

Country of Company Registration

United Kingdom

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

SO31 5BT

Email *

Confirm Email *

Telephone *

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Requires Airspace Portal Access ?

Primary Point of Contact Name *

Website address

nats.aero

Additional Contacts

You can add up to 4 additional contacts

+ Add Contact

STATEMENT OF NEED

Independent Aviation/Airspace Consultancy

☐ Is an Independent Aviation/Airspace Consultancy involved in this proposal?

Statement of Need

Please provide a brief Statement of Need clearly explaining what the current/existing situation is **and** what issue or opportunity this proposal is seeking to address.

Further information can be found in CAP1616 *

In response to the CAP1711 Airspace Modernisation Strategy, NATS is progressing with a programme to implement Free Route Airspace (FRA) in a phased manner across UK airspace. This ACP proposes the introduction of the fourth deployment of FRA and associated changes to the underlying airspace structure. The boundary of D4 will encompass the upper airspace operation undertaken at our Swanwick Centre, to abut the FRA airspace in the west (implemented in FRA D2 ACP) and north (FRA D3 ACP)

☐ Does your proposal represent an administrative change to the Aeronautical Information Publication (Proposed Level 0 change)?

Instrument Flight Procedures

☐ Does your proposal have the potential to include a change to and/or new IFPs?

Five-Letter Name Codes (5LNC)

☐ Does this request solely concern the reservation of new Five-Letter Name Codes (5LNC) in advance of a future proposal?

CAP1616 Part 1c

☐ Is the proposal being progressed against the requirements set out in CAP1616 Part 1c: Airspace Change Process for RNP Instrument Approach Procedures (IAPs) without an Approach Control Service?

DVOR / DME / NDB Rationalisation - RNAV Substitution

☐ Is the proposal being progressed against the requirements set out in CAP1781: VOR / DME / NDB Rationalisation: Guidance for the use of RNAV Substitution?

Secretary of State for Transport's priorities

☐ Is the proposal being progressed under any of the priorities set by the Secretary of State for Transport or any other CAA priority such as safety or national security?

Airspace Modernisation Strategy *

☒ Is the proposal supporting the delivery of the Airspace Modernisation Strategy? If not, please use the text box below to explain how the proposal is not inconsistent with the Airspace Modernisation Strategy

Additional Information

Please use the box below to add any further information which the CAA should be aware of when considering this submission (for example dependencies on other airspace change proposals, proposed operating date(s) and/or funding deadlines)

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Submission

Your form has been successfully submitted. Please keep a copy of this acknowledgement for your records.

Date and Time:

29 Jan 2023 9:32:23 PM

Application Submission Number:

DAP1916V2-650

Please note that the Airspace Regulation team will contact you to acknowledge receipt of your Statement of Need and to confirm the unique ACP reference number (ACP-YYYY-NNN) allocated to this submission. Following receipt of your unique ACP reference number, you will be required to create an associated airspace change proposal on the CAA's Airspace Change Portal (<https://airspacechange.caa.co.uk/>). Please refer to CAP 2385 Airspace Change Portal Important Information Guide.

Given the high number of new airspace change proposals (ACP), together with those proposals which are already in the system, it is possible that the proposal may not be assigned to a Technical Regulator/Account Manager immediately following submission of the Statement of Need. New proposals are allocated on a first come first served basis, unless the proposal is directly related to safety or national security matters, or as directed by the Secretary of State for Transport's priorities.

Once your submission has been assigned to an Account Manager/Case Officer, arrangements will be made for you to attend an Assessment Meeting. One of the key outputs from this meeting will be an indicative timeline for the proposed PPR. For Permanent changes, to enable the CAA to consider your proposed timescales, you will be expected to present dates for the following milestones at the Assessment Meeting:

- DEFINE Gateway
- DEVELOP & ASSESS Gateway
- CONSULT Gateway
- Form an Airspace Change Proposal Submission
- Target AIRAC

The CAA holds Gateway Assessment Meetings on a monthly basis and the annual schedule is published on the CAA's airspace change portal (<https://airspacechange.caa.co.uk/about-airspace-change/>).

Finally, you should also note that from September 2018 any amendments submitted by a Data Originator or ANSP for onward promulgation in the UK IAIP will be subject to the Aeronautical Data Quality Requirements. See Regulation (EU) No. 73/2010 as retained (and amended in UK domestic law) under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and [CAP 1054: Aeronautical Information Management \(https://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=11&mode=detail&id=6808\)](https://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=11&mode=detail&id=6808) guidance material for further information. These requirements will be discussed in greater details during the course of your initial meeting with the CAA.

When you have completed this form, click this button to submit the form for processing. Do not click this button more than once. You will then be provided with further instructions.