# CAELUS2

ACP-2022-102 ACP-2022-103 ACP-2022-104 ASSESSMENT MEETING



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### CAELUS2 TRIALS

N1-N3 FlightS Agenda (ACP-2022-102 ACP-2022-103 ACP-2022-104)

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# Note: Route order will depend on outcome of OSC, CAP 1616 process and CAELUS programme management

ACP-2022-102-ACP-2022-104: Project Overview

The CAELUS (Care & Equity – Healthcare Logistics UAS Scotland) consortium is led by AGS Airports Ltd on behalf of NHS Scotland and the consortium partners and part funded by Innovate UK through the Industrial Strategy Challenge fund, Future Flight competition. The project which brings together AGS Airports, NHS Scotland, NATS, ATKINS, Cellnex, Connected Places Catapult and 10 other companies are working together to demonstrate the viability of a national drone network that can transport essential medicines, bloods and other medical supplies throughout Scotland. The project will deliver a Concept of Operations (CONOPS) for the transition to fully integrated UAS operations at a national level. This specific workstream, led by NATS will develop and publish a phased approach outlining proposed airspace constructs and detailing regulatory and technology gaps required to enable the transition. Elements of this CONOPS will be validated through live flight operations, differentiating CAELUS from other projects by seeking to move the industry forward by proposing and validating a method of operations that are fully integrated and sustainable.

ACP-2022-102-ACP-2022-104: Healthcare opportunity

With approximately **26% of Scotland's population living in remote or rural areas** spread across 69% of the land mass, service delivery can encounter constraints which contributes to treatment inequity. NHS Scotland encompassing the Territorial Boards and Scottish Ambulance Service (SAS) views the adoption of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) or drones as an opportunity to **transform the patient experience** and reduce the impact of traffic congestion and CO2 emissions. Key to this is the driver of the NHS Scotland Recovery Plan (2021) which highlights the essential need for research, innovation and redesign as integral to the recovery of NHS Services. **For both SAS and NHS Scotland equity** in the delivery of healthcare **is a key driver** for involvement in this project as NHS Scotland considers how to remobilise and redesign services to address the needs of Scotland's health and social care challenges. A current strategic directive for SHIP (Scottish Health Industry Partnership) is to grow the economy (community wealth building) and **support remobilisation, accelerating the adoption of Innovation into NHS and Social Care** (Life Sciences in Scotland, 2022). A drone-based network has the potential to **reduce mileage and produce significant time saving opportunities** improving patient experience, outcomes and equity in care delivery. As a formal partner of the consortium, NHS Scotland via lead board NHS Grampian, are providing a joined-up approach bringing input and expertise from **health boards and SAS under the "Once-for Scotland"** banner. The NHS will define and support at ground level the clinical use cases that will be flown or simulated in the live and digital demonstrations.

ACP-2022-102-ACP-2022-104: Informing Regulation

Today, most beyond visual-line-of-sight (BVLOS) UAS operations can only be conducted within segregated airspace. The most common way most common way to achieve this is to establish temporary danger areas (TDAs) for the UAS to operate within. Current regulation is regulation is designed to consider a per flight basis without means to provide a scalable solution. Recognised detect and avoid capabilities avoid capabilities are basic. CAELUS intend to validate a developed concept of operations around airspace structure and use that is use that is scalable and sustainable.

ACP-2022-102-ACP-2022-104: Proposed Operations

We aim to **utilise volumes of segregated airspace** across Scotland in a total of 5 locations to enable us to prove elements of our proposed of our proposed future concept of integrated airspace. For these proposal, we intend to fly in the <u>Grampian / Ayrshire & Arran / Lothian</u> <u>Arran / Lothian</u> regions representing use cases for <u>North / West / East</u> NHS Innovation boards respectively and the Scottish Ambulance Ambulance Service.

The use cases will require volumes of segregated airspace to be in place for a maximum of 8 weeks with expected flying during 4 of those weeks. Our proposal is that we activate this for limited duration. The segregated airspace dimensions and duration of activation will be informed by stakeholder feedback. This segment of flying will be undertaken by Skyports.

A system of **ADS-B Receivers** will be deployed to demonstrate an **additional layer of situational awareness** to the UAV pilot along the flying routes and contribute to the Detect and Avoid solutions that will form part of the demonstrations.

# CAELUS2 Background

Part-funded by Innovate UK Future Flight Challenge

#### **16 Partners**

Led by AGS and supported by NHS-Scotland.

#### **Airspace Integration**

ConOps created by NATS and will be validated through trials.

#### NHS Need

Serve real-life use cases across urban and rural environments.

#### "Once for Scotland"

Reduce the need for patient travel in 3 NHS innovation regions.



#### NHS Use Cases

CAELUS would enable samples and supplies to be delivered rapidly, within a time controlled window with medical grade, temperature controlled and monitored packaging

#### Local Chemotherapy Administration

Reduces patient travel time, stress and cost by removing the need to travel to specialist centres.

#### Faster blood product cross-matching

- Faster emergency treatment.
- •Better patient outcomes.
- •More efficient use of blood products.

#### **Faster Lab Testing**

Reduces antibiotic resistance.Better patient outcomes.Shorter hospital stay

#### **Faster Emergency Medicine**

Better patient outcomes.Shorter hospital stay.



### Operational Environment: Airspace Constructs



The UAS corridors/volumes and UTM geographical zones are forms of a broader and overarching concept termed 'UK-Space'
 'UK-Space' takes the best practices, policies, regulations and thinking from world-leaders in drone service integration, modifies them to a UK context, and creates a near term, scalable solution for airspace integration

### Horizons - Phased Evolutions of Airspace Management

		Airspace Integration Ho	orizon-dependent Assumptions		
Horizon	Time period	Airspace	Regulations		
H1	"Tomorrow" Day 1 1 (following the project)	<ul> <li>Baseline operational service</li> <li>Low volumes of UAS operations in low-risk environments environments</li> <li>Operations where there is low utilisation by other airspace airspace users</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approval to operate in Class G TMZs</li> <li>Existing CAA standards and regulations</li> <li>Safety cases assessed on a case-by-case basis</li> </ul>		
H2	"Near future" + 3-5 years	<ul> <li>Comprehensive but geographically limited service</li> <li>Low volumes of traffic in relatively low risk environments</li> <li>Permanent volumes within Class D (with the ability to activate/deactivate segments)</li> <li>TMZ corridors in Class G</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approval to operate in Class G TMZs</li> <li>Airspace changes required (approval to operate in Class D UAS corridors)</li> <li>VLOS and EVLOS UAS Operators are not exempt from TMZ requirements.</li> </ul>		
H3	"Far future" + 10 years	<ul> <li>Comprehensive regional service</li> <li>Scaled up, medium volume of UAS traffic across both urban and rural environments</li> <li>Dynamic volumes of airspace</li> </ul>	– Approval to operate in Class G TMZs. – Further airspace changes required (Approval to operate in Class D UAS corridors/volumes or within Class G UTM geographical zones)		
H4	"Very distant future" + 20 years	<ul> <li>Comprehensive national service</li> <li>Nationwide delivery network</li> <li>Dynamic volumes of airspace with ability to utilise</li> <li>Free Route Airspace (FRA)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Potential widescale change to airspace classifications and constructs</li> <li>Approval to operate in controlled and uncontrolled airspace</li> <li>Dangerous goods carriage approved</li> <li>Multiple aircraft certified for use in service</li> </ul>		

# Validation Objectives – Example

CAELUS 2 ConOps Mapping	FF3 Roadmap Mapping		
"Child" Validation Requirement	Partner(s) involved	ID	"Parent" Validation Objective(s)
The Delivery Management System (ANRA) shall (a) receive customer orders (NHS) and (b) drone operator(s) (Skyports) shall be provided with orders from the lists of available jobs.	ANRA, NHS, Skyports	S05	Demonstrate mobile, on-demand AAM booking services
The Airspace Manager (NATS) shall use a digital ATM/UTM interface (NATS, ANRA) for flight plan approval.	NATS, ANRA	S02	Demonstrate interoperability of UTM and ATM e.g., ability to manage a single flight plan across UTM and ATM designated airspace
The USP (ANRA) shall provide a strategic deconfliction service within a TMZ with other planned UAS flights.	ANRA	S04	Demonstrate planning of UTM operations with strategic deconfliction and demand balancing to ensure efficiency
The payload shall be loaded onto the UAS.	NHS	S03	Demonstrate a mixed vehicle class use case where aircraft of different types are integrated to provide an end-to-end solution to a customer problem (e.g., cargo delivery to distribution centre and onwards)
The UAS flight plan in the TMZ shall be activated (using the digital ATM/UTM interface) by the Airspace Manager (NATS) following a request from the UAS Operator (Skyports).	NATS, ANRA, Skyports	S02	Demonstrate interoperability of UTM and ATM e.g., ability to manage a single flight plan across UTM and ATM designated airspace
Specific procedures shall be designed (NATS) such that the UAS (Skyports) flight plan is segmented to allow crossing during climb out/approach. Tracking and comormance monitoring services shan be provided in a	NATS, Skyports	S06	Identify and demonstrate airspace solutions to support UTM activities
TMZ by the USP (ANRA) using a surveillance network (Pinkfroot) and an internet connection between UAS Operator (Skyports) and the USP	ANRA, Pinkfroot, Skyports	520	Demonstrate exchange of information between flight operations, airport and traffic management services to manage predictability of operations
Video (picture and sound) shall be recorded of the UAS (Slyports) during the flight.	Skyports	S46	Demonstrate use cases that actively engage with the public, provide social benefits and support social acceptability Demonstrate accean decommention between ancrar of
Tactical deconfliction shall be provided with other traffic.	ANRA, Skyports	\$33	different types (e.g., drone and regional aircraft) using pilot and automated traffic collision avoidance / alerting

#### **UAV AIRCRAFT**



#### **SWOOP KITE**

MTOW: 25 KG

PAYLOAD: 4 KG

CRUISE: 68 KTS IAS

TYPICAL ALT: 400 FT AGL

**RANGE:** 160 KM

ROUTE: N1-N3

# N1-N3 ROUTE FOR SWOOP KITE

<ul> <li>DEP/ARR: ABERDEEN ROYAL INFIRMARY</li> <li>DEP/ARR: RAIGMORE HOSPITAL</li> </ul>	– ARR/DEP: DR GRAY'S HOSPITAL			
- DEP/ARR: UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL CROSSHOUSE	- ARR/DEP: ARRAN WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - ARR/DEP: UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL AYR			
<ul> <li>DEP/ARR: Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh at Little</li> <li>France</li> </ul>	– ARR/DEP: Borders General Hospital – ARR/DEP: East Lothian Community Hospital Hospital			
REQUIRED AIRSPACE AND DIMENSIONS	Hosnital SEGMENTED TSA + TDA: ~2-4 km wide along the route and ceiling of ceiling of less than 1500 ft. Designs will be finalised after engagement.			
REQUIRED WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY	Each network operations to be conducted over 4 consecutive weeks consecutive weeks once started. We are planning for each network network ops to be within 1 of 3 potential windows: SEP-OCT, NOV- OCT, NOV-DEC OR JAN-FEB			
ACTIVATIONS	Activation by NOTAM for short periods up to twice a day.			
COMMENTS	Details will follow during formal engagement as per CAP1616, however we will aim to incorporate any comments known to us in the initial formal proposal			



N2: Draft TDA from OSC submission





N3: Draft TDA from OSC submission



N2: Indicative Route on Airspace Map



N1: Draft TDA from OSC submission



N1: Indicative Route on Airspace Map

### Process Requirements

Note: Temporary Change has Been Previously Proposed for Consideration



### Timeline for N1

ACP-2022-102



### Timeline for N2

ACP-2022-103



### Timeline for N3

ACP-2022-104



### INVITED TO PRE-ENAGEMENT ON 18042023

National GA Organisations (excluding emergency services)

ARPAS-UK	Attended	Light Aircraft Association Association	Attended	General Aviation Safety Council	Declined
General Aviation Alliance Alliance	Attended	PPL/IR (Europe)	Not responded	General Aviation Awareness Campaign	Not responded
British Balloon and Airship Club	Not responded	Royal Aero Club	Not responded	Scottish Mountain Paragliding Club	Not originally invited, but attended
British Gliding Association	Attended	British Model Flying Association	Attended	Drone Major	Attended
British Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association	Intended, but not attended	British Business and General Aviation Association	Responded, but not attended	Easterton Airfield/Highland Gliding Club	Not originally invited, expressed interest, but NOT attended
British Microlight Aircraft Association	Declined/Not responded	British Helicopter Association	Attended	Strathaven Airfield	Not originally invited, but attended
British Skydiving Association	Not responded	Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association	Attended		
Helicopter Club of Great Britain	Not responded	Airspace4All	Not responded		

# INVITED TO PRE-ENAGEMENT ON 25042023

**Emergency Services Organisations** 

Babcock	Not responded	NPAS	Attended	Helicentre	Not sure if they conduct emergency services tasks?
BRISTOW SAR	Attended	Great North Air Ambulance	Attended	2Excel	Not sure if they conduct emergency services tasks?
GAMA HELIMED	Not responded	Aeronautical Rescue Coordination Centre	Not responded		
Falk Fire Services UK	Attended	Maritime and Coastguard Agency	Attended		
SAS	Attended	PDG Helicopters	Not able to attend		
UK Police	Attended				
OHS Rescue Helicopter	Attended				

#### National Defence and Safety Critical Organisations

MoD DAATM		Isle of Man CAA	Likely not required
Military Aviation Authority (MAA)	via DAATM	NATS	
Navy Command HQ	via DAATM	RAF	via DAATM
United States Visiting Forces (USVF)	via DAATM		
BAE Systems			
UK Airprox Board (UKAB)			
UK Flight Safety Committee (UKFSC)			
UK Civil Aviation Authority			

#### Other Organisations from NATMAC list

Airlines UK	Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)		
British Airline Pilots Association (BALPA)	British Airways (BA)		
Aviation Environment Federation (AEF)	Airport Operators Association (AOA)		
Heavy Airlines			
Honourable Company of of Air Pilots (HCAP)			
Iprosurv			
Low Fare Airlines			
Airfield Operators Group (AOG)			

N2: University Hospital Ayr – Arran War Memorial Hospital – University Hospital Crosshouse

Aeordomesin Immediate Vicinity & ANSPs		GA Airfields, clubs and Unlicensed Sites	Emergency services	Suggest specific callsigns below	Other Aviation Stakeholders	Other Non-Aviation Stakeholders	
Prestwick Airport	Intro meeting held	Prestwick Flight Centre Ltd	Police		Ladyburn Heliport	University Hospital Ayr	
Prestwick ANSP?		Prestwick Flying Club Club	GAMA Helimed		Turnberry Heliport	Arran War Memorial Hospital	
University Hospital Crosshouse Heliport		Air Training Corps	SCAA Helimed	Specific callsigns and additional	Malin Court Heliport	University Hospital Crosshouse	
Arran Heliport		Stair microlight site	Bristow SAR	organisations to be confirmed as part of	Ayr Racecourse Heliport		
		Kilkerran Airfield	OHS Rescue	Emergency Services engagement			
		Bute Airfield	Babcock Mission Critical Services Onshore				
					Warrix Flying Group		

#### N3: Borders General Hospital – Edinburgh Royal Infirmary – East Lothian

Ae ordomes in Imme diate Vicinity & ANSPs	GA Airfields, clubs and Unlicensed Sites	Emergency services	Suggest specific callsigns below	Other Aviation Stakeholders	Other Non-Aviation Stakeholders	
Edinburgh Airport	Kirknewton Gliding Site	Police		Dalhousie Castle Heliport	Borders General Hospital	
ANSL	Latch Farm Airfield	GAMA Helimed		Musselburgh Racecourse Heliport	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh	
Edinburgh Royal Infirmary Infirmary Heliport	Midlem Airfield	SCAA Helimed	Specific callsigns and additional	Dryburgh Abbey Heliport	East Lothian Hospital	
Borders General Heliport	Nether Huntlywood Airfield	Bristow SAR	organisations to be confirmed as part of	Roxburgh Golf Course Heliport		
East Fortune Microlight Site	Charterhall Airfield	OHS Rescue	Emergency Services engagement	Ednam House Heliport		
East Fortune East Airfield	Lempitlaw	Babcock Mission Critical Services Onshore		Kelso Racecourse Heliport		
East of Scotland Microlights	Microlight Site			Carfaemill Heliport		
	Milfield Gliding Site			Livingston Model Aircraft Club		

#### N1: Aberdeen – Lossiemouth – Inverness

Aeordomesin Immediate Vicinity & ANSPs		GA Airfields, clubs and Unlicensed Site s	Emergency services	Suggest specific callsigns below	Other Aviation Stakeholders	Other Non-Aviation Stakeholders
AGS (Aberdeen)		Alexander Air Flight Training	Police		Mansion House Heliport	Aberdeen Royal Infirmary
NATS (Aberdeen)		Longside Airfield	GAMA Helimed		Castle Hotel Heliport	Raigmore Hospital
Lossiemouth	Introduction and first review meetings held. Supported by DAATM.	Hatton Airfield	SCAA Helimed	Specific callsigns and additional	Pittodrie House Heliport	Dr Gray's Hospital
HIAL (Inverness)	Introduction meeting held	Fetterangus Airfield	Bristow SAR	organisations to be confirmed as part of	Thainstone House Heliport	
Inverness ANSP?		Meikle Endovie Microlight Site	OHS Rescue	Emergency Services engagement	Ardoe House Heliport	
Aberdeen UKCAA Inspector		EGEA Aberdeen (Culter)	Babcock Mission Critical Services Onshore		Raemoir House Heliport	
Inverness UK CAA Inspector		Whiterashes Airfield			Milton Brasserie Heliport	
Aberdeen Royal Infirmary Heliport		Insch Airfield			Knockomie Inn Heliport	
Raigmore Hospital Heliport		Grampian Microlight & Flying Club	Offshore helicopter operators		Boath House Heliport	
EASTERTON GLIDING SITE/Highland Gliding Club		Aboyne Gliding Site	Bristow offshore		Nairn Heliport	
		Moray Flying Club	Offshore Heli UK		Culloden House Heliport	
		Shempston Strip	PDG		Bunchrew House	
		Highland Aviation	Airtask		Dallachy Aviamodellers	
			2Excel		Buchan Aeromodellers	
			NHV		Inverurie & District Model Flying Club	
			СНС		Aberdeen Aeromodellers Flying Club	
			Viking			

### Further Steps & AOB





# PRIMARY CONTACTS RE ACP MATTERS



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