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## 1 Background

#### 1.1 Introduction

Scottish Power Renewables Ltd (SPR) is the Change Sponsor (CS) for this Airspace Change Proposal (ACP) which is being conducted in accordance with Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) Civil Aviation Publication (CAP) 1616h<sup>1</sup>, to support the construction of 3 wind farm sites in the southern North Sea, approximately 36km east of the East Anglian coastline. These wind farms will have the potential to deliver up to 3.1 GW of installed capacity, making it one of the largest offshore opportunities in the world.

#### 1.2 ACP Requirement

SPR identified the need for this ACP following feedback received and documented during the associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The most notable concern, raised by National Air Traffic Services (NATS) was the impact of the EA Hub Wind Turbine Generators (WTGs) on the Cromer Primary Surveillance Radar (PSR). The WTGs may generate radar clutter on air traffic control (ATC) radar displays that would in turn affect the continued provision of Air Traffic Services (ATS) utilising the Cromer PSR. The ACP will consider options to successfully mitigate the identified concerns.

#### 1.3 Engagement Summary Report

The purpose of the Engagement Summary Report is to document the stakeholder responses received during all engagement activities associated with all relevant stages of the ACP process. For this particular ACP, this includes stakeholder responses associated with development of design principles at Stage 2 as well as any views and concerns presented in responses elicited during the more formal engagement period at Stage 3. The document will also articulate how, if at all, the stakeholder engagement responses may have influenced the choice of the final design option(s).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Guidance on Airspace Change Process for Level 3 and Pre-Scaled Airspace Change Proposals, dated November 2023.





# 2 Engagement Requirements

### 2.1 Introduction

Following the Stage 1 Assessment Meeting in January 2024<sup>2</sup>, the CAA confirmed that this project would be conducted in accordance with the Level 3 pre-scaled ACP process described in detail in CAA CAP 1616h. This requires sponsors to undertake targeted engagement activity to capture relevant stakeholders' views, and to subsequently demonstrate that any views expressed have been fully considered and taken into account when designs are finalised ahead of the formal proposal submission to the CAA. The engagement activity was conducted over three separate stages as described in the paragraphs below.

#### 2.2 Engagement Strategy

A comprehensive Engagement Strategy<sup>3</sup> was developed to demonstrate to the Regulator that all the published engagement guidance had been fully considered in line with the requirements specified both in CAP 1616 and during the earlier Assessment Meeting held with the CAA on 16 January 2024. The Engagement Strategy was developed in line with the published Gunning Principles to ensure:

- Final decisions would not be predetermined.
- Sufficient information was available to stakeholders to ensure 'intelligent consideration'.
- Adequate time was allocated for consideration and response.
- Conscientious consideration would be given to all engagement responses.

#### 2.3 Stage 2 – Design Principles Engagement

During the earlier Stage 2 work in May 2024, documented design principles were shared with key stakeholders as described in the Stakeholder Engagement document<sup>4</sup>. The document outlined the draft design principles developed for the East Anglia Hub Windfarm sites. In particular it described the inclusion of Mandatory Design Principles (MDPs) in accordance with CAP 1616h guidance. In addition to the MDPs the CS also developed three Discretionary Design Principles (DDPs) and three Bespoke Design Principles (BDPs).

The draft design principles were distributed amongst the identified stakeholders for feedback and comment, accompanied by supporting documentation to provide the necessary context. All details are included in previously published materials (Footnotes 2 and 3 below) and will be repeated in this Engagement Summary Document in line with the regulatory requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ACP 2023 079 Minutes of Assessment Meeting dated 16 January 2024, hosted on CAA ACP Portal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ACP 2023 079 Engagement Strategy (72039 001 Issue 1 dated 22 October 24), Chapter 3 hosted on CAA ACP Portal. <sup>4</sup> ACP 2023 079 Design Principles: Stakeholder Engagement dated 15 May 2024, hosted on CAA ACP Portal.





### 2.4 Stage 3 – Formal Engagement

The engagement requirements were discussed during the 16 January 2024 Assessment Meeting. This meeting highlighted the requirement for an Engagement Strategy which was reviewed by the CAA, prior to regulatory clearance to proceed, and was published on 18 October 2024.

The Assessment Meeting Minutes highlighted the requirement to produce an Engagement Summary Report (this document) which sets out a summary of the feedback received through the engagement activities as well as a description of how the engagement activity may have influenced the final design.





### 3 Stage 2 – Design Principles Engagement

#### 3.1 Introduction

For this ACP, the CS was obliged to follow the process described in CAP 1616h, Appendix B which sets out the pre-scaled process for a permanent airspace design change for the establishment of a transponder mandatory zone (TMZ) to mitigate the impacts of range and azimuth gating (RAG) applied to PSRs to prevent cutter caused by false returns from offshore wind farms. The consult/engage requirements are clearly laid out in this Appendix and have guided the CS through stakeholder identification, the selection of suitable engagement periods and the provision of appropriate notification and engagement materials.

Design principles engagement was conducted in line with the guidance above in late March 2024. In late October 2024 the more formal engagement period was launched. Full details of the activities across these two periods are included in the paragraphs below.

#### 3.2 Stakeholders Identification

During the Stage 1 Assessment Meeting the CS identified the following organisations as those from which the key stakeholders would be identified:

- NATS<sup>5</sup> as the main ANSP<sup>6</sup> providing services in the airspace.
- MOD<sup>7</sup> as a major operator and provider of services in the airspace.
- Norwich and Southend airports.
- GA<sup>8</sup> operators and airfields.
- HEMS<sup>9</sup> operators.
- Offshore helicopter operators.

Further guidance on stakeholder identification was provided by the CAA during the Assessment Meeting as well as a commitment to provide an updated National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committee (NATMAC) list prior to engagement commencing; the document provided was dated 8 January 2024. The full list of identified stakeholders was included in the Stakeholder Engagement document<sup>10</sup>.

Although the engagement targeted the stakeholders described above, the engagement was not exclusive to that list. Any individual or organisation from any geographical location could also submit a response that would be duly considered.

A full stakeholder list is included at Annex A1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> National Air Traffic Services Limited.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Air Navigation Service Provider.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ministry of Defence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> General Aviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Helicopter Emergency Medical Services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> ACP 2023 079 Design Principles: Stakeholder Engagement dated 15 May 2024, hosted on CAA ACP Portal.





### 3.3 Design Principles Engagement (Stage 2)

The design principles 4-week engagement period was notified on 28 March 2024 and responses were requested by 25 April 2024. All notifications were sent by email to the key stakeholders described in para 3.2/Annex A2. In addition, an engagement reminder email was also sent on 12 April 2024. These emails are reproduced at Annex A2.

A supporting letter<sup>11</sup> was sent to the identified stakeholders at the start of the engagement period. This included an overview of the proposed airspace changes and links to ACP-2023-79 hosted on the CAA portal, where other supporting documentation could be accessed. It invited written feedback to be sent to the CS, as undersigned. This letter is reproduced at Annex A3.

During our initial email engagement with the stakeholders, listed in Annex A1, a small number of emails produced a nil return indicating a failed delivery. This could have been the result of several conditions, including an incorrect email address and or an invalid /decommissioned organisational email. The CS sourced an alternative email address via the respective organisational websites for each nil responding email. The engagement material was then resent to these email addresses for the attention of the original representative. All alternative emails are included in Annex A4 at para A4.1.

### 3.4 Engagement Responses (Stage 2)

A total of 6 responses were received during the design principles engagement period. All responses were submitted directly back to the original email sent at the beginning of the engagement period by the CS. Of these, none gave full support to the initial DPs; no stakeholders provided any DP development suggestions; five were indifferent about the ACP DPs; and one stakeholder sent a generalised ACP/DP query. No responses were received from other non-specified stakeholders.

In addition to the MDPs, DDPs and BDPs presented, no additional DPs were suggested by any of the stakeholders<sup>12</sup>. It was therefore not necessary to change the DPs as initially presented.

Stakeholder Response Email Ref	Organisation	Date	Response Received	Further Action
A5.1	British Gliding Association	28 March 2024	No Impact. No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.2	CHC Helicopter	28 March 2024	No Impact. No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on

A summary of the engagement responses can be seen in Table 1. For full details of the final response, please refer to Annex A5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> ACP-2023-079 (Osprey Ref 71951) CAP 1616 ACP-2023-079: East Anglia Hub dated 28 March 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> ACP 2023 079 Design Principles: Stakeholder Engagement dated 15 May 2024, hosted on CAA ACP Portal.





Stakeholder Response Email Ref	Organisation	Date	Response Received	Further Action
				additional/amended design principle development.
A5.3	British Helicopter Association	11 April 2024	No Impact. No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.4	Babcock Mission Critical Services	12 April 2024	No Impact. No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.5	NATS	18 April 2024	No Impact. No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.6	LVNL	29 April 2024	Possible impact. See email below. Response to follow.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.7	Osprey to LNVL	30 April 2024	Reply to A4.6.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.
A5.8	LNVL	30 April 2024	No further comments.	No further action required until Stage 3. Response does not include relevant comments on additional/amended design principle development.

Table 1 - Summary of Stage 2 Responses

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### 4 Stage 3 – Formal Engagement

#### 4.1 Introduction

As described earlier, an Engagement Strategy was developed in accordance with the requirements of the CAP1616h airspace change process (para 2.2). This document described the activities to be undertaken, the intended audience and the engagement approach to be followed. Alongside this a formal engagement document<sup>13</sup> was produced that explains the potential options and provides technical details associated with each potential alternative. The document describes proposals for the introduction of the primary mitigation of Range Azimuth Gating (RAG) zones at the proposed development sites, alongside the secondary mitigation of Transponder Mandatory Zones (TMZs) around the proposed EA Hub Wind Farm developments. The Engagement Document also contained a copy of the response questionnaire, which stakeholders could download and print, or mail directly to the CS.

Both the Engagement Strategy document and the Engagement Document were sent to stakeholders and a dedicated email address was set up to allow stakeholders to ask questions or provide any other feedback regarding this ACP.

All documents from the previous stages of the airspace change process, can be found on the CAA Airspace Change Portal:

EA Hub Wind Farms ACP Public View (CAA)

#### 4.2 Formal Engagement (Stage 3)

The 6-week formal engagement period commenced on Monday 28 October 2024 and closed on Sunday 8 December 2024. Notifications were again sent be email direct to key stakeholders as identified above. In addition, an engagement reminder email was sent on 29 November 2024 to remind stakeholders of the deadline for their response. These emails are reproduced at Annex A4.

An online campaign was spearheaded by the CS using their website and social media accounts. The campaign aim was to ensure this project was as widely publicised as possible, beyond just those aviators that might routinely fly around the planned development areas. This broad visibility was also intended to provide a channel into those harder to reach audiences that might have an interest and may also wish to express their views. The first posting was made on 28 October 2024 and a follow up message was published on 27 November 2024. The access page for the website is reproduced at Annex A6.

A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document<sup>14</sup> was developed as a living document for the duration of the engagement period. This document was hosted on the Airspace Portal and was planned to be updated periodically during and after the 6-week engagement period. The access page for this document is reproduced at Annex A7.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> ACP-2023-079 (Osprey Ref 72039 002) East Anglia Hub Windfarm Engagement Document dated 20 August 2024.
 <sup>14</sup> ACP-2023-079 (Osprey Ref 72039 005) v1.0 dated October 2024





### 4.3 Engagement Responses (Stage 3)

Engagement responses were requested through the online feedback form (Annex A8). This form was available as a hard copy if required from within the engagement document and emailed directly to all identified stakeholders. Moreover, stakeholders were also offered the following alternatives as ways to access the response document and submit their replies:

- A link contained within the Engagement Document.
- A link posted on the SPR website.
- A link shared as part of a social media post on SPR pages.
- Postal feedback form.

Analysis of the social media posts following the 28 October post shows there were 4,425 impressions<sup>15</sup> and 156 engagements<sup>16</sup>; an engagement rate of just over 3.5%. See Annex A12.

Analysis of the social media posts following the 27 November post shows there were a further 2,797 impressions and 99 engagements: a similar engagement rate of just over 3.5%. Annex A12.

Table 2 below provides details of responses received during the engagement exercise. The left-hand column provides the Annex location for the original email responses from each stakeholder. Seven responses were received in total and six of these required no further action to be taken because those responses either supported the introduction of the TMZs or felt that the TMZ location would have no impact on routine operations for members of their respective organisations.

Stakeholder Response Email Ref	Organisation	Date (2024)	Response Received	Further Action
A12.1	British Gliding Association (BGA)	25 October	No impact on gliding operations	No further action required
A12.2	British Helicopter Association (BHA)	28 October	No Objection	No further action required
A12.3	Norwich Airport	19 November	No impact	No further action required
A12.4	CHC Helicopter	3 December	No Comments, but agree Option 13 or 15 most appropriate	No further action required

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> This is the number of times a post has been viewed by other users.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> LinkedIn Engagement Rate is the measurement that counts how many people have interacted with a page's post through likes, comments and shares.





Stakeholder Response Email Ref	Organisation	Date (2024)	Response Received	Further Action
A12.5	ARPAS UK	4 December	No comment	No further action required
A12.6	Defence Airspace and Air Traffic Management (DAATM)	5 December	Object on multiple grounds	Concerns noted and transferred to safety case for further assessment
A12.7	NATS	5 December	Prefer Option 13 (GA reasons)	No further action required

Table 2 - Summary of Stage 3 Responses

A response from DAATM was received on the 5 December and was logged as an objection because there was no option to select 'not supported'. The full response is included at Annex A12.6. DAATM raise several points in support of their objection, many of which are statements which the CS recognises as legitimate concerns. However, many of these do not materially affect the option of introducing a TMZ which is the current stated CAA policy for dealing with nationally significant infrastructure developments such as major windfarms; hence the focus on an ACP solution to develop a TMZ for the EA Hub developments.

DAATM concerns were identified as Hazards for further consideration as part of the safety case involve:

- Loss of primary radar coverage over sectors of Air-to-Air refuelling Area (AARA) 09; amounting to approximately 15% of the AARA 09 area.
- Loss of primary radar coverage over sectors of the Lakenheath ATA (North/South); amounting to approximately 10% of the ATA area.
- Requirement to split formations inside a TMZ area prior to crossing the FIR boundary.

The safety case work will address the specifics of the DAATM response and develop safety requirements to address the hazards identified and to further mitigate any residual risk. It should be noted that a traffic survey<sup>17</sup> was conducted at Stage 2 of the process and the detail has been available on the CAA Portal since 28 June 2024. The aviation study concludes there would be minimal impact on non-transponding GA aircraft who rarely operate in the areas. Furthermore, no concerns were received by aircraft operators who use the military assigned areas in question; this is possibly because the proposed EA1N TMZ only encroaches on 10% of the AARA 09 area in the south and proposed EA3 TMZ only encroaches on 6% of the AARA area in the extreme north-east. Considering the Lakenheath ATA North (FL60-FL245), the proposed EA3 TMZ encroaches on <5% of the area and only that 4,000 ft volume below FL100. With respect to Lakenheath ATA South (FL60-FL195) the proposed EA1N TMZ encroaches on 11% of the area and only that 4,000 ft volume below FL100; the proposed EA2 TMZ encroaches on <3% of the area and only that 4,000 ft

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> 71951 012 East Anglia Hub Aviation Study Data 2024 v1.0, published on CAA Portal and dated 18 June 2024.





volume below FL100. In total, and only in the 4,000ft volume below FL100 the proposed TMZs only encroach on <10% of the total Lakenheath ATA volume.

The CS remains committed to working closely with DAATM to gain a common understanding and perspective of the real risk given DAATM's statement that the planned NATS replacement radar will reduce the risks when operational in 2027/2028; this date is before or just coincident with the planned operational dates for EA2 and EA1N.





# 5 Conclusions

### 5.1 Modification of Final Design

During the earlier Stages of this ACP and in accordance with CAP 1616hengagement activity was conducted to seed feedback on the design principles stipulated and further developed by the CS for this specific ACP. The feedback received was described earlier in para 3.4 and provided evidence to show that no modifications to design principles were necessary.

The design principles served as the basis for development of design options detailed in the design options document<sup>18</sup> that formed part of the formal Stage 3 engagement materials alongside the Engagement Document<sup>19</sup>. These documents fully described the options developed and detailed how the associated assessments had concluded that Option 13 and Option 15 would be taken forward to the formal engagement exercise held at the end of 2024.

After full consideration of all responses received during both periods of engagement the CS has received no feedback to suggest that the options chosen require further design modification. However, the response received by DAATM does comment on the wider suitability of TMZs as partial mitigation for the effects of windfarms on air traffic and air defence radar systems. The specific hazards implicit in DAATM's response and the associated issues raised will be taken forward for assessment as part of the formal safety case that supports this ACP. At this stage, no further modification of the final designs is necessary.

#### 5.2 Next Steps

This Engagement Summary Report forms part of the output from Stage 4 of the CAP1616h process and will form part of the formal ACP Submission to the CAA for Stage 5. The CAA will review and assess the Proposal at Stage 5, including all supporting materials. The conclusions of the CAA assessment and its decision will be published on the Airspace Change Portal website.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> 71951 006 East Anglia Hub Wind Farms ACP-2022-079 Design Options Issue 2 dated 8 July 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> 72039 002 East Anglia Hub Wind Farms ACP-2022-079 Engagement Document 2024 Issue 1, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024.





# A1 List of Stakeholders

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)			
National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committees (NATMAC)				
Airlines UK	(airlinesuk.org) (airlinesuk.org)			
Airport Operators Association (AOA)	@aoa.org.uk) @aoa.org.uk)			
Airfield Operators Group (AOG)	CC only: (CC onl			
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA)	@aopa.co.uk)			
Airspace Change Organising Group (ACOG)	@acog.aero)			
Association of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems UK (ARPAS-UK)	@arpas.uk)			
Aviation Environment Federation (AEF)	@aef.org.uk) @aef.org.uk (Alternative email)			
British Airways (BA)	Capt <b>er (management</b> @ba.com)			
BAe Systems	@baesystems.com)			
British Airline Pilots Association (BALPA)	@balpa.org) (marging @balpa.org)			
British Balloon and Airship Club	@btinternet.com)			
British Business and General Aviation Association (BBGA)	@bbga.aero)			
British Gliding Association (BGA)	( @gliding.co.uk)			
British Helicopter Association (BHA)	@britishhelicopterassociation.org)			
British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA)	(main and a second and a second and a second a s			
British Skydiving	@britishskydiving.org)			
Drone Major	CC Only: @dronemajorgroup.com) Alternative: @dronemajorgroup.com			
General Aviation Alliance (GAA)	CC Only: @@gaalliance.org.uk)			
Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)	( <u>Magatco.org</u> ) @gatco.org (Alternative email)			





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)
Honourable Company of Air Pilots (HCAP)	@airpilots.org)
Helicopter Club of Great Britain (HCGB)	(Alt Email: @ryelands.net) (Alt Email: @ryelands.net)
Isle of Man CAA	@gov.im)
Light Aircraft Association (LAA)	@laa.uk.com)
Low Fare Airlines	@easyJet.com)
Military Aviation Authority (MAA)	Cdr <b>eense</b> (mod.gov.uk)
Ministry of Defence - Defence Airspace and Air Traffic Management (MoD DAATM)	Gp Capt   (masses)     mod.gov.uk)   (Alt Email:   (Alt Email:
NATS	@nats.co.uk)
Navy Command HQ	Lt Cdr   @mod.gov.uk)     Lt Cdr   @mod.gov.uk)
PPL/IR (Europe)	(Alternative Email: @tdn.email)
UK Airprox Board (UKAB)	CC Only: @@airproxboard.org.uk
UK Flight Safety Committee (UKFSC)	@ukfsc.co.uk)
United States Visiting Forces (USVF), HQ United States Country Rep-UK (HQ USCR-UK).	@us.af.mil)

Table 3 - NATMAC Stakeholder List

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)				
Other Identified Stakeholders					
Luchtverkeersleiding Nederland (LVNL)	General Enquiries @lvnl.nl				
Bristow Helicopters	@bristowgroup.com)				
CHC Helicopter	@chcheli.com)				
NHV	@nhv.be)				





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)
Offshore Helicopters	@offshoreheli-uk.com)
Search and Rescue (Bristow Helicopters)	@bristowgroup.com)
Police Scotland and Air Ambulance (Babcock Mission Critical Services)	@babcockinternational.com)
Northern Lighthouse (PDG Helicopters)	@pdgaviation.com)
Air Ambulance (Gama Aviation)	@gamaaviation.com)
Norwich Airport	(@@norwichairport.co.uk)
Southend Airport	Southend Airport ATC ( @southendairport.com, Alternative email: @southendairport.com (Administration))

Table 4 - Other Identified Stakeholders





### A2 Stage 2 Engagement – Notification

#### A2.1 Initial Engagement Email

Request for Stakeholder Initial Design Principles Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP (ACP-2023-079)

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Dear Stakeholder,

On behalf of our Client and ACP Change Sponsor (CS), ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd, I invite you as an identified stakeholder to engage with us on the development of the East Anglia Hub airspace change proposal (ACP-2023-079). At this stage of the ACP process the CS is required to develop a set of Design Principles (DP) in which to qualify against any future airspace design options. Accompanying this email is the CS's initial DP letter and engagement material for your review in which your engagement on this matter is greatly appreciated.

The CS requires all correspondence regarding this engagement activity to go through the email address provided in the attached letter.

Additional information on this ACP can be found on the CAA Airspace Portal under the reference <u>ACP-2023-079-ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation</u>. The CS would specifically draw your attention to the recently published ACP <u>Current-day Scenario (CDS)</u>, which will provide additional context and situational awareness on this project.

The engagement period will be from 28th March to 25th April 2024 inclusive.

Thank you in advance.

Kindest of regards,





#### A2.2 Mid-Engagement Reminder Email

#### (ACP-2023-079) Mid-Engagement period Remainder - Request for Stakeholder Initial DPs Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP



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Dear Stakeholder,

#### ACP-2023-079: Design Principle - Mid-Engagement Reminder Notice

Please see the email below relating to an engagement being undertaken by Osprey CSL on behalf of our client, ScottishPower Renewables Ltd, which commenced on the 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024. The engagement's intent is to illicit transparent stakeholder comment and development concerning the Airspace Change Proposals (ACPs) Stage 2 - Design Principles (DPs). These DPs will be vital to the airspace change as they will be utilised to evaluate future airspace design options later in the ACP process.

Accompanying this email is our client's initial DP letter and engagement material for your review in which your engagement on this matter is greatly appreciated.

If you have already responded thank you for your time. If not, this engagement will close on the cease of business on the 25th April 2024. If you would like to provide feedback, then please do so before this date.

The preferred method of stakeholder communication is via the following email:

@scottishpower.com

We would greatly appreciate your viewpoint on this ACP DPs development.

Thank you in advance.

Kind regards,





### A3 Stage 2 Engagement - Letter





Date: 28/03/2024 CAA Ref: ACP-2023-079 Osprey Ref: 71951

Dear Stakeholder,

CAP 1616 ACP-2023-079: East Anglia Hub

#### Stage 1 - Design Principles Initial Stakeholder Engagement

#### 1.1 Invitation for Stakeholders to Comment on Initial Design Principles

The primary purpose of this document is to communicate and engage with all pertinent aviation and non-aviation stakeholders to afford them an opportunity to influence the development of key elements and outputs of this Airspace Change Proposal (ACP).

This document's key focus is to gain feedback on the Change Sponsor's (CS) initial Design Principles (DPs) for the proposed Airspace Change. The stakeholders feedback could influence and re-define the final set of DP's taken forward to the next stage of the ACP. The DPs are a vital tool to assist with the development and evaluation of future airspace Design Options (DO) at Stage 2.

A further requirement set out in CAP1616 is for ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd (SPR), the CS, to demonstrate it has followed the CAA CAP1616 Stage 1 requirements during the development of the East Anglia Hub (EA Hub) Offshore Wind Farm (OSWF) Airspace Change Proposal<sup>1</sup>. Figure 1 below shows the current progress of this ACP and where the DP development resides in the process.

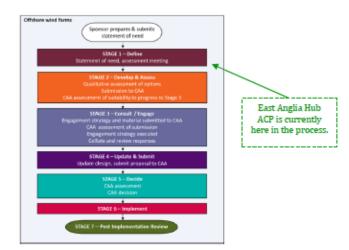


Figure 1 - CAP 1616 H-Annex B: OSWF mitigation airspace change process overview.

CAP 1616 ACP-2023-079: East Anglia Hub

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CAA Airspace Change Portal: ACP-2023-079 - ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation.







The EA Hub ACP consists of three distinct wind farms (Figure 2), East Anglia 1 North<sup>2</sup> (EA1N), East Anglia 2 (EA2), and East Anglia 3 (EA3). At this stage, this ACP adheres to the requirements of CAP 16163 Stages 1 (DEFINE) to create a short-list of Design Principles (DP)4.

At this initiating stage of stakeholder engagement, the CS has elected to include all members of the National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committee (NATMAC)<sup>5</sup> (effective 8th January 2024), and several key regional stakeholders located in the vicinity of the Norfolk and Suffolk coastal areas.

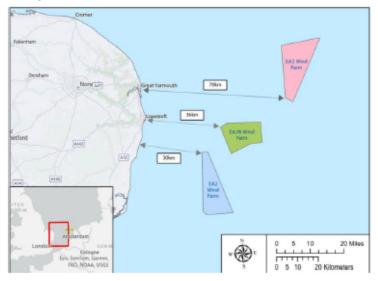


Figure 2 - EA Hub Wind Farm North Sea Locations and distance (approx.) from the UK coastline

#### 1.2 Statement of Need

The following Statement of Need (SoN) was submitted by the CS to the CAA in November 2023, and an ACP Assessment Meeting was held with the CAA on 16th January 2024 to discuss the project. As part of the CAA ACP process the CS was required by CAP1616 to submit a DAP1916 SoN form. The SoN included the proposed ACP's main objectives, along with any supporting situational context. The CAA's review of the SoN, during the assessment meeting, and an accompanying SPR ACP presentation, supported their evaluation of both the necessity for an ACP and the determination of a provisional ACP Level.

The SoN below is a direct copy of the initial SoN submission which details the following:

Objective: The objective of the proposed airspace change is to mitigate safety concerns and ensure that aviation operations remain unhindered in the planned development area of the EA Hub Offshore Windfarm's wind turbine generators comprising of EA1N, EA2 & EA3 in the North Sea.

Not to be mistaken with East Anglia 1, which is already operational.
 ACP-2023-079 was allocated a CAA pre-scaled Level 3 ACP (16/01/24).
 CAP1616H-Guidance on Airspace Change Process for Level 3 and Pre-Scaled Airspace Change Proposals (Nov 2023 - Edition 1). <sup>5</sup> National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committee (NATMAC) website

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Summary of Issues / Opportunities: The purpose of this ACP is to address safety concerns regarding any potential false radar contacts that may be caused by the EA Hub Windfarm development. The proposal also seeks to mitigate issues raised by NATS regarding 'Primary Surveillance Radar at Cromer, and its associated air traffic services'. Although the MOD have commented on the potential for similar concerns to their air surveillance and control operations, a separate technical solution workstream is being conducted in parallel to this proposed ACP, under the Joint Aviation Task Force Working Group.

Description of current Airspace Design: The East Anglia (EA) Hub is planning to locate wind turbine generators in the North Sea, east of Norwich, and comprises of three windfarms (EA1N, EA2, & EA3). All three sites are located within 16km of each other and are proposed to be situated in current Class G, uncontrolled airspace. Part of each proposed site is situated beneath or in close proximity to a combination of established CTA Control Areas, Temporary Restricted Areas, Aerial Tactics Areas, Transponder Mandatory Zones airspace and Air Traffic Service Routing and Helicopter Main Routing Indicators. At this current stage, the effects and design of the future airspace structure are not known.

Current Prevailing Air Traffic Situation: The planned area for the Windfarms in the North Sea is primarily Class G uncontrolled airspace that is available for all users. The Change Sponsor is aware that various general and operational activities, including those of the Ministry of Defence (MoD), general aviation, and Search and Rescue operations conducted by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA), occur within the proposed area. These entities are some of the stakeholders with whom the Change Sponsor intends to engage with during the CAP 1616 process.

Additional Information: The Change Sponsor is aware that the planned EA3 Wind Farm is situated in close proximity to the recently approved Norfolk Vanguard & Norfolk Boreas Wind Farms (ACP-2018-03) and will ensure that close liaison with the Change Sponsor of ACP-2018-03 is maintained during the design options process.

#### Initial Stakeholder Engagement

As CS for the EA Hub Wind Farms ACP, SPR are now contacting you directly as you have been identified as a stakeholder who's views we would welcome. Specifically, we are eager to seek your opinions on our proposed DPs in support of this airspace change. Further information on this ACP can be found on the CAA Airspace Change Portal submission under the title '<u>ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd East Anglia Hub</u> <u>Windfarms Mitigation (ACP-2023-079)</u>', specifically the <u>Current-day Scenario (CDS)</u> document. The CDS provides an informative baseline scenario of the airspace change area today, and any associated considerations which may concern the progression of this ACP.

#### 1.4 Design Principles

SPR have developed a series DPs in-line with the guidance provided in the CAP 1616H<sup>6</sup> pre-scaled Level 3 process, which directly addresses ACPs with associated OSWF (CAP 1616H-Appendix B).

A level 3 ACP, the lowest of three tiers, is defined as changes to notified airspace design that have a potentially <u>low impact</u> on both aviation and non-aviation stakeholders. Compared against Levels 1 & 2, level 3 ACPs also have a reduced CAP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> CAP1616H-Guidance on Airspace Change Process for Level 3 and Pre-Scaled Airspace Change Proposals (Nov 2023 - Edition 1)







1616H output requirement and a more condensed time scale, depending on intended ACP complexity.

As stated in the SoN (above), the CS is seeking a TMZ ACP solution to the EA Hub OSWF complex, which is also acknowledged by CAP1616H to have limited set of available design options. However, the DPs (below) are specifically designed to elect this type of future airspace option, in accordance with CAP1616H-Annex B<sup>7</sup>.

Although this pre-scaled Level 3 ACP is only required to adopt the CAP1616 Mandatory Design Principles (MDP), the CS has also adopted several Discretionary and Bespoke DPs for your consideration.

- Mandatory Design Principles (MDP)
  - MDP Safety:

The airspace change proposal must maintain a high standard of safety and should seek to enhance current levels of safety.

MDP Policy:

The airspace change proposal should not be inconsistent with relevant legislation, the CAA's airspace modernization strategy or Secretary of State and CAA's policy and guidance.

MDP Environment:

The airspace change proposal should deliver the Government's key environmental objectives with respect to air navigation as set out in the Government's Air Navigation Guidance 2017.

- Discretionary Design Principles (DDP)
  - DDP Technical 1 (Other aviation stakeholders):

The airspace change proposal should consider the impacts on air navigation service providers and other aviation stakeholders such as nearby airport operators.

- DDP Technical 2 (Ministry of Defence requirements):

The airspace change proposal should be compatible with the requirements of the Ministry of Defence.

DDP Technical 3 (Accessibility for all airspace users):

The airspace change proposal should satisfy the requirements of operators and owners of all classes of aircraft, including general aviation and other civilian airspace users.

- Bespoke Design Principles (BDP)
  - BDP Policy:

The airspace change proposal should ensure that the design of the proposed TMZ complies with the CAA TMZ Policy<sup>8</sup>.

- BDP Technical 3 (Airspace):

The airspace change should be designed to fit with existing background airspace classification and any known planned changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> CAP1616H-Guidance on Airspace Change Process for Level 3 and Pre-Scaled Airspace Change Proposals (Nov 2023 - Edition 1) <sup>8</sup> SARG Policy Statement: Policy for Radio Mandatory Zones and Transponder Mandatory Zones (13 Jan 2022).









BDP Technical 4 (Airspace):

The volume of airspace affected should be the minimum necessary to deliver a safe solution to counter the effects of wind turbine generators on ATC surveillance infrastructure.

CAP 1616H guidance explains that it is important for the DPs to be drawn up through engagement between the CS and affected stakeholders at this early stage in the process. Therefore, we are seeking your views on whether the proposed DPs are appropriate and would welcome any further comment you wish to provide.

Nominated stakeholders will have a four-week period to respond and contribute to this ACPs DP development. The DP engagement period will run from 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 through to 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024. A follow-up email to the initial engagement email will be distributed at the mid-point of the engagement period.

In order to meet the documented engagement and transparency requirements for the ACP process it is requested that written feedback is provided to the undersigned no later than the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Should you wish to discuss this proposal and their associated DPs in greater depth please contact the undersigned on the email provided below.

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Regards,

Senior Planning & Environmental Policy Analyst ScottishPower Renewables Email: <u>@scottishpower.com</u>





# A4 Stage 2 Engagement - Record

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks		
	National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committees (NATMAC)					
Airlines UK	@airlinesuk.org)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
	@airlinesuk.org)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Airport Operators Association (AOA)	@aoa.org.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
	(aoa.org.uk)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Airfield Operators Group (AOG)	@goodwood.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
	CC only: <u>@bartaby.org</u> )	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA)	@aopa.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
(AUTA)		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Airspace Change Organising Group (ACOG)	@acog.aero)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Association of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems UK (ARPAS-UK)	@arpas.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
Systems UK (ARPAS-UK)		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response		
Aviation Environment Federation (AEF)	( <u>@aef.org.uk</u> )	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response		
	@aef.org.uk (Alternative email)			Postmaster failed delivery		





Representative(s) **Remarks Stakeholder Organisation Engagement Type** Date 12 April 2024 Reminder Email No Response Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs British Airways (BA) @ba.com) 28 March 2024 No Response Capt Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response **BAe Systems** Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response @baesystems.com) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response British Airline Pilots Association (BALPA) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs @balpa.org) 28 March 2024 No Response @balpa.org) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response British Balloon and Airship Club Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response @btinternet.com) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response British Business and General Aviation @bbga.aero) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response Association (BBGA) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 British Gliding Association (BGA) Info Only. See Annex A5 @gliding.co.uk) British Helicopter Association (BHA) @britishhelicopterassociation.org) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 Info Only. See Annex A5 British Microlight Aircraft Association Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response @bmaa.org) (BMAA) @gmail.com) Postmaster failed delivery Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response British Skydiving @britishskydiving.org) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response 12 April 2024 No Response Reminder Email





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
Drone Major	(CC Only:	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response Postmaster failed delivery
	Alternative: @thecommunicationgroup.co.uk	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
General Aviation Alliance (GAA)	@gaalliance.org.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	CC Only: @wahoo.co.uk)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)	@gatco.org (Alternative email)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response Postmaster failed delivery
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Honourable Company of Air Pilots (HCAP)	@airpilots.org)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Helicopter Club of Great Britain (HCGB)	@ryelands.net)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	(Alt Email: @ryelands.net)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Isle of Man CAA	@gov.im)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Light Aircraft Association (LAA)	@laa.uk.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Low Fare Airlines	@easyJet.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response





Representative(s) Remarks **Stakeholder Organisation Engagement Type** Date 12 April 2024 Reminder Email No Response Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 Military Aviation Authority (MAA) No Response Cdr @mod.gov.uk) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response Ministry of Defence - Defence Airspace Gp Capt Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response and Air Traffic Management (MoD @mod.gov.uk) DAATM) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response @mod.gov.uk) (Alt Email: NATS Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response @nats.co.uk) @nats.co.uk) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 Info Only. See Annex A5 Navy Command HQ Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response Lt Cdr @mod.gov.uk) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response Lt Cdr @mod.gov.uk) PPL/IR (Europe) @pplir.org) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response (Alternative Email: @tdn.email) Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response UK Airprox Board (UKAB) @airproxboard.org.uk) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response @airproxboard.org.uk CC Only: Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response UK Flight Safety Committee (UKFSC) @ukfsc.co.uk) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response United States Visiting Forces (USVF), HQ @us.af.mil) Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs 28 March 2024 No Response United Reminder Email 12 April 2024 No Response States Country Rep-UK (HQ USCR-UK).





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks	
Other Identified Stakeholders					
Luchtverkeersleiding Nederland (LVNL)	General Enquiries	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
	@lvnl.nl	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
		Late Response	29 April 2024	See Annex A5	
Bristow Helicopters	@bristowgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
	( et istowgroup.com)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
CHC Helicopter	@chcheli.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	Info Only. See Annex A5	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
NHV	@nhv.be)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
Offshore Helicopters	@offshoreheli-uk.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
Search and Rescue (Bristow Helicopters)	@bristowgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	
Police Scotland and Air Ambulance (Babcock Mission Critical Services)	@babcockinternational.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	Info Only. See Annex A5	
Northern Lighthouse (PDG Helicopters)	@pdgaviation.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response	
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response	





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
Air Ambulance (Gama Aviation)	@gamaaviation.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Norwich Airport	Norwich Airport Operations @morwichairport.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	enorwichan portee.ukj	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Southend Airport	Southend Airport ATC <u>@southendairport.com</u> , Alternative email: @londonsouthendairport.com (Administration))	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response

Table 5 - Stage 2 Engagement Record

#### A4.1 Engagement Email Delivery Issues

Table 6 below shows which of the 44 stakeholder we reached out to but received a failed delivery notification. Annotated in blue is the alternative email address which was then used.

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
Aviation Environment Federation (AEF)	( <u>@aef.org.uk</u> )	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	@aef.org.uk	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA)	( <u>@bmaa.org</u> )	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	(gmail.com) (gmail.com)	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response
Drone Major	@dronemajorgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
	@thecommunicationgroup.co.uk			
Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)	@gatco.org)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 March 2024	No Response
	@gatco.org	Reminder Email	12 April 2024	No Response

Table 6 - Stage 2 Engagement Email Delivery Issues



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# A5 Stage 2 Engagement - Responses

#### A5.1 British Gliding Association Response

@gliding.co.uk> From: Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 2:27 PM

To:

@ospreycsl.co.uk>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Request for Stakeholder Initial Design Principles Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP (ACP-2023-079)

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Thanks for the engagement.

As these proposed areas are many kms offshore, they will not impact gliding.

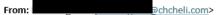
We have no comments to make regarding the DPs.

Kind regards

BGA

OSPREY CONSULTING SERVICES a tpgroup company





Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 4:21 PM

To: @ospreycsl.co.uk>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [External]:Request for Stakeholder Initial Design Principles Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP (ACP-2023-079)

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I have had a look over your material and don't see anything that should affect our operation at this point in time.

Have a nice Easter

Regards

Hi



CHC Helicopter CHC Integrated Ops Building Buchan Road Dyce AB21 7BZ







### A5.3 British Helicopter Association Response

From: @britishhelicopterassociation.org>

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2024 3:50 PM

To: EAHubACP <= @scottishpower.com>

Subject: FW: (ACP-2023-079) Mid-Engagement period Remainder - Request for Stakeholder Initial DPs Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP

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On behalf of the BHA I wish to remain on the list of stakeholders. We have nothing to feedback at present but may do one you have finalised the DPs

British Helicopter Association Unit C2 Fairoaks Airport Chobham Surrey. GU24 8HU

Office:+-Mobile:+www.britishhelicopterassociation.org

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### A5.4 Babcock Mission Critical Service Response

From: <u>@babcockinternational.com</u>> Sent: Friday, April 12, 2024 10:04 AM To: EAHubACP < <u>@scottishpower.com</u>> Subject: ACP-2023-079 (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Good morning,

Babcock Mission Critical services Onshore is the incumbent aviation partner for East Anglian Air Ambulance conducting HEMS and Air Ambulance operations from Norwich and Cambridge airports.

Based on the information provided within he initial DP Engagement letter Issue 1 dated 31032024 and our normal operating procedures and locations we have no objection to this proposal at this time.

Regards,

UK Aviation | Aviation Babcock International Group Babcock Onshore | Building Se32-33 | Gloucestershire Airport | Cheltenham | Gloucestershire | GL51 6SP Mob: + \_\_\_\_\_\_@babcockinternational.com

www.babcockinternational.com





### A5.5 NATS Response

From:	<u>@nats.co.uk</u> >
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2024 1:47 PM	
To:	@ospreycsl.co.uk>
Cc:	@nats.co.uk>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Request for Stakeholder Initial Design Principles Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP (ACP-2023-079)

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Thank you for providing NATS (NERL) the opportunity to respond to your ACP.

I can confirm that at this stage of the process we do not have any comments on your Design Principles. We look forward to seeing the Design Options.

Rgds

Hi





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From: @lvnl.nl>
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 8:57 AM
To: EAHubACP < @scottishpower.com>

Cc: I

A5.6

Subject: RE: (ACP-2023-079) Mid-Engagement period Remainder - Request for Stakeholder Initial DPs Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP

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Good morning,

Thanks for the information about the plans of the new East Anglia Hub.

LNVL Response

For the helicopter operation in the Amsterdam FIR the impact is limited. Because of the height of the new windfarm (next to COP LUVOR) we probably have to raise the lower level of our HMR KY650. This HMR is now defined from 1500ft. FL055. To maintain 1000ft from the new obstacle we have to raise the lower limit to 2500ft on the last part of that HMR.

In the UK FIR there are huge plans for windfarms. An observation from our side is that there is almost no free corridor(east/west) for VFR traffic. This could be a problem if VFR traffic encounters an engine failure for example. Is that risk already addressed in the UK?

Best regards,

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Senior Designer | ATM/Procedures





## A5.7 Osprey Response to LNVL Query

Van:	@ospreycsl.co.uk>
Verze	onden: dinsdag 30 april 2024 09:50
Aan:	
CC: F	
Onde	erwerp: RE: (ACP-2023-079) Mid-Engagement period Remainder - Request for Stakeholder Initial DPs Engagement for the EA Hub OSWF ACP

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Thank you for responding to the EA Hub Design Principles Engagement Phase.

We acknowledge your two points raised in your email concerning the potential interactions between HMR KY650 and the clearance altitude you may require from an obstacle, in this case your concern is of EA3 OSWF WTGs, and the second issue was related to potential impact on VFR Traffic navigating in an East/Westerly direction (assuming you are referring to non-transponding aircraft transiting from mainland Europe to the UK).

At this point in the airspace change proposal (ACP) process the Change Sponsor (CS) has been seeking to engage stakeholders on the development of a set of Design Principles (DPs) in which to evaluate any future potential airspace options. The Current-day Scenario (CDS) document which accompanied the DP engagement document (Link), depicts only the OSWF boundary perimeters and no design options for this stage of the ACP.

The CS intends to contact all Stakeholders again during the Aug / Sept 2024 period, with CAA's approval, on a full engagement of airspace options for this airspace change proposal, in which we would greatly appreciate your input.

At this stage of the process, I cannot comment on any future Design Options for this ACP. However, I can comment that the HMRI/HMR significant point LUVOR is approximately situated 6.82km away from EA3 OSWF's most Northwesterly WTG (Figure 1), and thus may have little impact to HMR KY650 operations. However, more information will be available during later stages of this ACP.



Figure 1 - Proximity of EA3 WTG to LUVOR

I have noted that a similar concern was raised by your organisation for the Norfolk Vanguard and Norfolk Boreas OSWF (Link) for their ACP Stage 1B Design Principles - Annex E (Pg23 - Item E24), which is located immediately north of the EA3 OSWF.

On your last point, the CS foresees that the General Aviation community (GA) will be a large contributor to the stakeholder engagement throughout this ACP. As you have correctly suggested in your email, the GA (or VFR traffic) transition between mainland Europe and the UK is continually being assessed and considered at all stages of the process, including documenting any associated safety related concerns.

I hope this helps answer your queries and that you are able to continue to comment, as a significant stakeholder, on this ACPs development as the process matures.





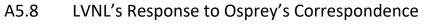
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Thanks for your quick and clear reply. Good luck with the process for now.

#### Best regards,



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(ACP) CAP 1616H process a	Ltd have now completed Stage 3 of the Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA) Airspace Change Proposal nd have had approval from the CAA to carry out a six week engagement with interested glia (EA) HUB complex of offshore windfarms. This is a major milestone in the project's continuing
next round of stakeholder eng	commence on the 28th October through to the 8th December 2024. All views are welcome. This gagement aims to ensure that all aviation and non-aviation stakeholders have their views heard ace changes. Please see below the ACP's engagement material for stakeholder consideration.
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aviation users, as well as any the project as it progresses to	
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# East Anglia Hub Wind Farms

Airspace Change Proposal

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

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## A8 Engagement Response Questionnaire

Your Name:			
Your Postcode:			
Your Email Address:			
Selec	ct one of the following bo	oxes and check as applicable:	
		I am responding on behalf of an organisation:	
		Organisation Name:	
I am responding as ar	n individual:	Position in Organisation:	
If you wish your respo	-	nymously your personal details will be redacted en by the CAA.	
Yes □ I want my response to details.	I want my response to be published with my I want my response to be published		
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Do you agree that th		tion was conducted appropriately in line with 616H?	
Ye	es 🗆	No 🗆	
Please provide furthe	r comment here if you ans	swered 'No' to the above question.	





After reviewing the <u>available documentation</u> , do you agree with the Change Sponsor (Scottish Power Renewables), that Options 13 and 15 were the only options which fulfilled the criterion for this Airspace Change Proposal?				
Yes 🗆	No 🗆			
Please provide further comment here if you answ	rered 'No' to the above question.			





Do you support <b>Option 13 (TMZ (2), RAG Blanking, Norfolk TMZ Overlap)</b> of this Airspace Change Proposal?				
Support 🗆	Neutral 🗆	Object 🗆	No Comment 🗆	
If applicable, please pro thoughts on the introdu consider:				
• What do you believe	will be the impact of the	e TMZs on your operatio	n?	
• How often do you th	ink these impacts will o	ccur to you or others?		
• Do you have any sug	gested mitigations or de	esign changes you think	should be considered?	
• Do you think there m	ay be any unintended c	onsequences of the TM	Zs?	





Do you support <b>Option 15 (TMZ (2), RAG Blanking, FIR, Norfolk TMZ Overlap)</b> of this Airspace Change Proposal?						
Support 🗆	Neutral 🗌	Object 🗆	No Comment 🗆			
If applicable, please provide comments on Options 15 to allow us to understand your thoughts on the introduction of this mitigation to the East Anglia Hub Wind Farm. Please consider:						
• What do you believe	will be the impact of the	e TMZs on your operatior	ו?			
• How often do you th	ink these impacts will o	ccur to you or others?				
• Do you have any sug	gested mitigations or de	esign changes you think	should be considered?			
• Do you think there m	nay be any unintended c	onsequences of the TMZ	Zs?			
Additional Comments (	optional)					

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## A9 Stage 3 Engagement – Notification

## A9.1 Initial Engagement Email

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		K Reply All	→ Forward	<b>i</b>
			Fri 2	5/10/2024 16:17
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Dear Stakeholder,

#### Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation

#### CAP 1616h Level 3 Pre-scaled ACP: Stage 3 - Engagement Phase

In consultation with the CAA, Osprey Consulting Services Ltd (Osprey) have identified your role and/or organisation as a key stakeholder to the proposed airspace change raised by the ACP Change Sponsor (CS), ScottishPower Renewables Limited (SPR).

The CS wishes to invite you to engage on the proposed ACP options published in the attached engagement material (<u>or Link</u>). Each option includes the establishment of two Transponder Mandatory Zone (TMZ) designs above SPR's East Anglia Hub's offshore windfarm complex, in the North Sea. The TMZ airspace structures are principally designed to support a RAG blanketing mechanism which will mitigate any clutter effects generated from the wind turbines against NATS's Primary Surveillance Radar at Cromer.

The engagement is open for 6 weeks from 28th October to 08th December 2024

Please can I request you take the time to consider this proposal and respond via one of the methods described in the attached engagement material (Section 5 – How to participate). Please do not reply directly to this email address. Thank you

For more information please consult our Frequently Asked Questions document, or for a more in depth review of the ACP proposal, then please visit the CAA's airspace portal page for this ACP (ACP-2023-079).

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All feedback is valuable, whether you support, object or are indifferent to this airspace proposal.

Thank you in advance.







## A9.2 Mid Engagement Reminder Email

### COMMERCIAL-IN-CONFIDENCE Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - SPR (UK) Ltd -...

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				Fri 29	9/11/202	4 15:08
Proposal - SPR EA Hub TMZ Proposal - Scottish Power Windfarm TMZ						
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i) Follow up. Start by 18 December 2024. Due by 18 December 2024.						
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COMMERCIAL IN CONFIDENCE

Dear Stakeholder,

#### Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Ltd East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation

#### CAP 1616h Level 3 Pre-scaled ACP: Stage 3 - Engagement Phase - Last Reminder

In consultation with the CAA, Osprey Consulting Services Ltd (Osprey) have identified your role and/or organisation as a key stakeholder to the proposed airspace change raised by the ACP Change Sponsor (CS), ScottishPower Renewables Limited (SPR).

We now have just over **one week left** in this engagement and would encourage all stakeholders who have not yet submitted a return to please do so. This engagement will close at cease of business on the <u>8<sup>th</sup> December 2024</u>. If you would like to provide feedback, then please do so before this date. Thank you for your time if you have already responded to this engagement.

The CS again wishes to invite you to engage on the ACP options published in the attached engagement material (<u>or Link</u>). Each option includes the establishment of two Transponder Mandatory Zone (TMZ) designs above SPR's East Anglia Hub offshore windfarm complex in the North Sea. The TMZ airspace structures are principally designed to support a RAG blanking mechanism which will mitigate any clutter effects generated from the wind turbines against NATS's Primary Surveillance Radar at Cromer.

The engagement is open for 6 weeks from <u>28<sup>th</sup> October to 08<sup>th</sup> December 2024.</u> As mentioned above, we are now approaching the last week of this engagement. No further reminders will be sent.

Please can I request you take the time to consider this proposal and respond via one of the methods described in the attached engagement material (Section 5 – How to participate). **Please do not reply directly to this email address. Thank you.** 

For more information please consult our <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> document, or for a more in depth review of the ACP proposal, then please visit the CAA's airspace portal page for this ACP (<u>ACP-2023-079</u>).

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All feedback is valuable, whether you support, object or are indifferent to this airspace proposal.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,





## A9.3 LinkedIn Engagement Notification



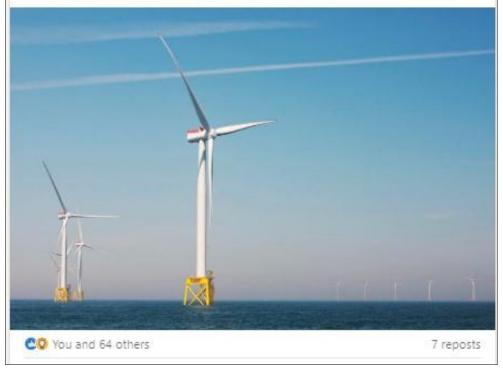
We've recently completed Stage 3 of a Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA) Airspace Change Proposal (ACP) CAP 1616H process and have had approval to carry out a sixweek engagement with stakeholders for the East Anglia HUB complex of offshore windfarms.

Our three EA HUB projects (EA1N, EA2 and EA3) are planned to generate up to 3.2GW of clean renewable energy - enough to power the equivalent of up to 3.1 million UK homes – and deliver significant investment, jobs and opportunities across East Anglia and beyond 💙

The Engagement Phase will commence on 28 October and remain open until 8 December 2024. All views are welcome, and we aim to ensure that all aviation and non-aviation stakeholders have their views heard regarding the proposed airspace changes.

We look forward to hearing from this diverse group of stakeholders, local aerodromes and other aviation users, as well as anyone in nearby areas who wishes to input to this proposal. These views will help shape the project as it progresses to Stage 4.

You can read more about our plans for EA Hub by visiting the SPR website, or via the CAA Airspace Change Portal here 👉 https://Inkd.in/gmdvFbQW







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#### LinkedIn Engagement Reminder A9.4

ScottishPower Renewables " 23,507 followers 17h • 🕥

A reminder that we are seeking feedback on our Airspace Change Proposal around the East Anglia HUB ahead of our submission window closing on December 8th.

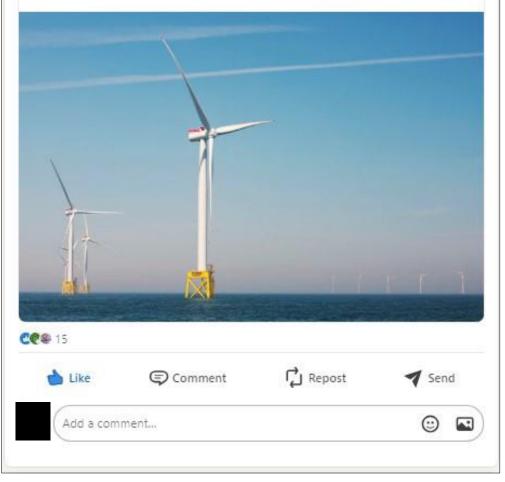
We're keen to hear from local stakeholders, aerodromes and other aviation users to help shape the project as it progresses 🛫

You can read more about our plans by visiting the SPR website, or via the CAA Airspace Change Portal here 👉 https://lnkd.in/gmdvFbQW



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We've recently completed Stage 3 of a Civil Aviation Authorities (CAA) Airspace Change Proposal (ACP) CAP 1616H process and have had approval to carry out a six-week engagement with stakeholders for the East Anglia HUB complex ...more







## A10 Stage 3 Engagement - Document



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Engagement Document

Date: 22nd October 2024 Author:

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## A11 Stage 3 Engagement – Record

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks		
National Air Traffic Management Advisory Committees (NATMAC)						
Airlines UK	@airlinesuk.org)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
@airlinesuk.org)	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response			
Airport Operators Association (AOA)	@aoa.org.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
	@aoa.org.uk)	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response		
Airfield Operators Group (AOG)	(means @goodwood.com)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
CC only: ( <u>@bartaby.org</u> )	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response			
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association	(aopa.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
(AOPA)		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response		
Airspace Change Organising Group	(acog.aero)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
(ACOG)		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response		
Association of Remotely Piloted Aircraft	@arpas.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.5		
Systems UK (ARPAS-UK)		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.5		
Aviation Environment Federation (AEF)	@aef.org.uk)	Initial Engagement Email - Initial DPs	28 October 2024	No Response		
	@aef.org.uk (Alternative email)	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response		





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
British Airways (BA)	Capt @ba.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
BAe Systems	@baesystems.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
British Airline Pilots Association (BALPA)	(management) (mana	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
British Balloon and Airship Club	(btinternet.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
British Business and General Aviation Association (BBGA)	@bbga.aero)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
British Gliding Association (BGA)	@gliding.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.1
British Helicopter Association (BHA)	@britishhelicopterassociation.org)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.2
British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA)	@bmaa.org) (@gmail.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
British Skydiving	( @britishskydiving.org)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Drone Major	@dronemajorgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
	CC Only: @dronemajorgroup.com) Alternative: @thecommunicationgroup.co.uk	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
General Aviation Alliance (GAA)	CC Only: @gaalliance.org.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)	@gatco.org) @gatco.org (Alternative email)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Honourable Company of Air Pilots (HCAP)	@airpilots.org)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Helicopter Club of Great Britain (HCGB)	(Alt Email: @ryelands.net)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Isle of Man CAA	@gov.im)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response

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Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
Light Aircraft Association (LAA)	@laa.uk.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Low Fare Airlines	@easyJet.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Military Aviation Authority (MAA)	Cdr (mod.gov.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Ministry of Defence - Defence Airspace and Air Traffic Management (MoD DAATM)	Gp Capt @mod.gov.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.6
DAAIMJ	(Alt Email: @mod.gov.uk)	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.6
NATS	@nats.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.7
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.7
Navy Command HQ	Lt Cdr @mod.gov.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
	Lt Cdr (@mod.gov.uk)	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
PPL/IR (Europe)	(Alternative Email: @tdn.email)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response





Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
UK Airprox Board (UKAB)	CC Only: @@airproxboard.org.uk	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
UK Flight Safety Committee (UKFSC)	@ukfsc.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
United States Visiting Forces (USVF), HQ United	@us.af.mil)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
States Country Rep-UK (HQ USCR-UK).		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
	Other Identified St	takeholders		
Luchtverkeersleiding Nederland (LVNL)	General Enquiries @lvnl.nl	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Bristow Helicopters	(entropy and entropy and entro	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
CHC Helicopter	@chcheli.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.1
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.1
NHV	@nhv.be)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response

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Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
Offshore Helicopters	@offshoreheli-uk.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Search and Rescue (Bristow Helicopters)	@bristowgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Police Scotland and Air Ambulance (Babcock Mission Critical Services)	( @babcockinternational.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Northern Lighthouse (PDG Helicopters)	@pdgaviation.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Air Ambulance (Gama Aviation)	@gamaaviation.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Norwich Airport	Norwich Airport Operations @norwichairport.co.uk)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	See Annex A12.3
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	See Annex A12.3
Southend Airport	Southend Airport ATC @southendairport.com, Alternative email: @londonsouthendairport.com	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
	(Administration))	Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response

Table 7 - Stage 3 Engagement Record





### A11.1 Engagement Email Delivery Issues

Table 6 below shows those stakeholders we reached out to but received a failed delivery notification. Annotated in blue is the alternative email address which was then used.

Stakeholder Organisation	Representative(s)	Engagement Type	Date	Remarks
London Southend Airport	@southendairport.com @londonsouthendairport.com	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
Easy Jet	( <u>@aef.org.uk</u> ) @aef.org.uk	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document	28 October 2024	No Response
		Reminder Email	29 November 2024	No Response
British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA)	( <u>@bmaa.org</u> )	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document		No Response
		Reminder Email		No Response
Drone Major	@dronemajorgroup.com)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document		No Response
	CC Only: @dronemajorgroup.com) @thecommunicationgroup.co.uk	Reminder Email		No Response
Guild of Air Traffic Control Officers (GATCO)	(market and a gatco.org)	Initial Engagement Email- Engagement Document		No Response
	@gatco.org	Reminder Email		No Response

Table 8 - Stage 3 Engagement Email Delivery Issues



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## A12 Stage 3 Engagement – Response

### A12.1 BGA Response

[EXTERNAL] RE: Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - SPR (UK) Ltd - East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation - Stage 3 – Engage...



(i) Follow up. Start by 28 October 2024. Due by 28 October 2024. You forwarded this message on 28/10/2024 10:14.

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Т	hanks for the engagement. This offshore related ACP as described does not impact gliding operations.
К	ind regards







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🖔 Reply All

← Reply

A12.2 BHA Response

### [EXTERNAL] RE: Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - SPR (UK) Ltd - East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation - Stage 3 – Engage...



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The BHA currently has no objection to the ACP

British Helicopter Association Unit C2 Fairoaks Airport Chobham Surrey. GU24 8HU

Office: Mobile: www.britishhelicopterassociation.org





### A12.3 Norwich Airport Response

	•	CottishPower Renewables
Your Name:		
Your Postcode:	NR10 3GJ	
Your Email Address:		@norwichairport.co.uk
Sei	lect one of the following b	oxes and check as applicable:
I am responding as an	individual: ()	I am responding on behalf of an organisation: Organisation Name: Norwich Airport Position in Organisation:
If you wish your respo		mously your personal details will be redacted and by the CAA.
Yes I want my response to details.	be published with my	No () I want my response to be published anonymously.
	Feedbac	k Section
Do you agree that th		an was conducted appropriately in line with CAP 6H?
	es 🔘	NoO
Please provide further	comment here if you answ	ered 'No' to the above question.









After reviewing the <u>available documentation</u> , do you agree with the Change Sponsor (Scottish Power Renewables), that Options 13 and 15 were the only options which fulfilled the criterion for this Airspace Change Proposal?						
Yes 🖲 No 🔾						
Please provide further comment here if you answered 'No' to the above question.						









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applicable, please provide comments on Options 15 to allow us to understand your thoughts e introduction of this mitigation to the East Anglia Hub Wind Farm. Please consider: What do you believe will be the impact of the TMZs on your operation? How often do you think these impacts will occur to you or others? Do you have any suggested mitigations or design changes you think should be considered? Do you think there may be any unintended consequences of the TMZs? Il impact on Norwich Airport operations envisaged.	Support 🕑	Neutral 🔘	Object ()	No Comment Q
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	Do you have any sugg	gested mitigations or desig	n changes you think sh	ould be considered?
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Nil.			

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### A12.4 CHC Helicopter Response

From:	@chcheli.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 3, 2024	9:49 AM
То:	@ospreycsl.co.uk>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [External	:COMMERCIAL-IN-CONFIDENCE Airspace Change Proposal (ACP-2023-079) - SPR (UK) Ltd - East Anglia Hub Windfarms Mitigation - Stage 3 -
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### Hi

No comments. Option 13 or 15 look the most reasonable and these are being put forward for approval.

Kind Regards





### A12.5 ARPAS UK Response

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Rupert Your Name: **OX18 2LW** Your Postcode: @arpas.uk Your Email Address: Select one of the following boxes and check as applicable: I am responding on behalf of an organisation: ۲ Organisation Name: I am responding as an individual: O ARPAS UK Position in Organisation: Member If you wish your response to be published anonymously your personal details will be redacted and only be seen by the CAA. Yes 🔎 No Q I want my response to be published with my I want my response to be published details. anonymously. Feedback Section Do you agree that the Design Principle Evaluation was conducted appropriately in line with CAP 1616H? Yes 💽 NoQ Please provide further comment here if you answered 'No' to the above question.

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Do you support <b>Option 13 (TMZ (2), RAG Blanking, Norfolk TMZ Overlap)</b> of this Airspace Change Proposal?					
Support 🔿	Neutral 🔿	Object 📿	No Comment 🖲		
If applicable, please provide comments on Options 13 to allow us to understand your thoughts on the introduction of this mitigation to the East Anglia Hub Wind Farm. Please consider:					
<ul> <li>What do you believe will be the impact of the TMZs on your operation?</li> <li>How often do you think these impacts will occur to you or others?</li> </ul>					
• Do you have any suggested mitigations or design changes you think should be considered?					
• Do you think there may be any unintended consequences of the TMZs?					

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Do you support Option 15 (TMZ (2), RAG Blanking, FIR, Norfolk TMZ Overlap) of this Airspace Change Proposal?					
Support 📿	Neutral 🔘	Object 🔿	No Comment 🕑		
If applicable, please provide comments on Options 15 to allow us to understand your thoughts on the introduction of this mitigation to the East Anglia Hub Wind Farm. Please consider:					
<ul> <li>What do you believe will be the impact of the TMZs on your operation?</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>How often do you think these impacts will occur to you or others?</li> </ul>					
• Do you have any suggested mitigations or design changes you think should be considered?					
<ul> <li>Do you think there may be any unintended consequences of the TMZs?</li> </ul>					









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### A12.6 DAATM Response

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What do you believe will be the impact of the TMZs on your operation?

- How often do you think these impacts will occur to you or others?
- Do you have any suggested mitigations or design changes you think should be considered?
- Do you think there may be any unintended consequences of the TMZs?

Full comments that cover both options are in the additional comments section as they did not fit in this box.







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#### Additional Comments (optional)

What do you believe will be the impact of the TMZs on your operation?

AARA 9

1.1mplementation of TMZs with associated blanking could impact safe ATS provision to air-to-air refueling aircraft, due to overlap with AARA 9. Aircraft are required to have their transponder switched off for the period of joining, refuelling and departing the control of the refuelling aircraft. For aircraft departing the tanker, this would generate a delay in detection and reduce the ability of 78/19 Sqn to provide a safe and efficient ATS.

ATS Provision - General

2.If the TMZs are approved, the radars affected by the wind turbines would be subject to additional processing including blanking. This would result in a lack of primary surveillance within the proposed TMZs, which would reduce the effectiveness of any radar service being provided through and around them. Radar services would be reduced/limited due to the lack of primary surveillance coverage and thus aircrew would not be informed of any non-squawking aircraft in the affected areas. The airspace environment is Class G airspace and the military are not the only airspace users, so non-squawking aircraft could present a hazard that the aircrew could be unaware of.

3.Aircraft crossing the FIR boundary would be expected to transfer to /from military control in this area, including formations of aircraft that often separate into separate speaking units, with a staggered selection of transponders. The workload to do this with limited or blanked primary coverage would increase as a result of delays in identifying aircrafts until they have all repositioned and are all transponding, with the potential for mis-identification to be increased on the TMZ boundaries.

4.The TMZ could also cause an undesirable increase in workload for 78 Sqn controllers due to the increase in complexity, increased difficulty in maintaining track identification when jets are manoeuvring SSR alone, and should they be the controlling authority non-SSR crossing requests may reduce capacity. It should be noted that given the position and likely height of the TMZs, 78 Sqn would consider being nominated as the controlling authority for them (perhaps sharing that authority with Anglia Radar in a similar manner as happens elsewhere). However, that statement should not in any way however give any implicit (or explicit) support to the implementation of the TMZs.

5.During an Air Policing scenario, the TMZ could make maintenance of track identification more difficult for ASACS (and ATC monitoring the ATC aspects of the situation) as the target aircraft could be non-squawking. However, noting the block SFC-FL100, it is relatively unlikely a situation would require transit through the TMZ, unless a refuelling asset was to be placed in AARA 9. If that was to be the case then tactical manoeuvring may be required if the TMZ environment is not suitable.

#### Lakenheath ATA

6.It is anticipated that just the NATS Cromer radar would be subject to primary surveillance blanking associated with the TMZs. On that basis, PSR loss over portions of the EA3 area would extend above 16500°. EA3 lies directly below the Lakenheath ATA - a volume of airspace extending down to FL50 - used heavily by US FL5 and F35 aircraft. During their operations in the area it is not uncommon for them to manoeuver upgrovsky and, in turn, it is not uncommon in the course of such activity for transponder codes to the memporarily drop off. If the Cromer PSR was blanked it is highly likely that the controllers providing a service to such aircraft would not be able to see them - and thus consequently be unable to provide any form of radar service. It is also routine for only the lead aircraft in a formation to squawk, so the other members of the flight would is imilarly be invisible to the controller. Whilst this would have no real impact in normal close-formation Hyng, should the other pilots spread out, or lose visual contax with the lead aircraft for whatever reason, then there are potential air safety implications as the controller cannot provide any deconfliction - or even information - on such aircraft under these circumstances.

#### 78 Sqn Coverage

7. There remains some doubt as to which NATS radars would require blanking as a consequence of these windfarms. The Cromer would definitely be blanked, but the other radars that provide coverage over the area are theoretically untroubled as their base of cover is too high to 'see' the turbines. However, previous experience has led NATS to conclude that atmospheric conditions can change that and create culter- thus meaning that even those radars further away might still reded to be blanked. If only the Cromer is blanked the impact for 78 Sqn is only for EA3; however, if it is determined that other radar require blanking then the impact would be for the entire development.

How often do you think these impacts will occur to you or others?

8.AARA 9 is not as regularly used as some other refuelling areas due to its location and altitude; however, lack of familiarity with the area could increase the impact when it does get used. Use of the Lakenheath ATA by USAFE jets is on a daily basis (Mon-Fri) for most of the normal working day.

9. The MOD would like to see analysis from the sponsor regarding how often non-squawking traffic transits the confines of the proposed TMZs, to understand how often requests might be received for transit, assuming that the ACP is approved and MOD agree to act as the Controlling Authority.

Do you have any suggested mitigations or design changes you think should be considered?

10. The only feedback was that Option 15 would avoid a gap against the FIR boundary, which could prevent confusion; however, MOD has no preference for designs.

Do you think there may be any unintended consequences of the TMZs?

11.From a wider safeguarding perspective, use of a TMZ as a mitigation in this instance could increase the potential for an expansion of TMZ use and set precedence, leaving the MOD open to wider challenge from developers for why a TMZ proposal in another location would not be tolerated. TMZs should not be the enduring solution to mitigate the effects on sensors – a technical solution should be the long term aspiration for all parties.

Any other impacts/considerations?

12. The impacts of these windfarm developments to Air Defence radars are planned to be mitigated through an alternative programme for technical radar mitigation.

13. The objection that 78 Sqn have made through NATS as a customer of their surveillance data, is predicated on current equipment. There is a plan in place for the Cromer radar to be replaced with an equivalent radar that promises much better performance over this area, with post windfarm development PSR coverage potentially down to 5-7000'. Whilst this wouldn't negate their objection it would reduce the severity of the impact. The new radar is planned to be operational by 2027/2028, so if the turbine construction does not begin until that point the impact on MOO could be reduced.

14.TMZ close to the FIR boundary and associated primary blanking would leave a large area with limited coverage for primary radar, and the TMZ approval would not be desirable for ASACS until their technical mitigation programme delivers. Ideally, no blades would be hung until a full Radar Mitigation Scheme Agreement (RMSA) is in place to cover both MOD interests for AIr Defence radars and MOD interests for ATC via NATS radars.

15. Due to the impacts on MOD airspace users and ATS provision identified through engagement with MOD stakeholders, the MOD does not support this proposal for a TMZ. There is no option for 'not support' and MOD does not consider itself to be 'neutral' on this proposal, therefore 'object' was the most suitable option. Whilst it is acknowledged that blanking and a TMZ would mitigate the effects of the wind turbines on radar sensor, it will have a negative impact on MOD activities.





### A12.7 NATS Response

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Additional Comments (optional)

Our preference would be for option 13 to reduce the impact on GA





## A13 Stage 3 LinkedIn Engagement Responses

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