

CAP 1616f – Stage 4 ‘UPDATE & SUBMIT’

Permanent Airspace Change Proposals Checklist of Requirements

ACP Reference Number	ACP-2025-023
ACP Title	Northern LTMA Region Airspace Change (OFJES, CLN CTA11/12, FL105+)
Change Sponsor	NATS
Consultancy (if applicable)	N/A
Formal ACP Submission Date	Friday 10 th October 2025
CAA Decision Date	Friday 5 th December 2025
Target AIRAC & AIS sponsor submission cut-off	AIRAC 03-2026, AIS cutoff Fri 19 th December 2025

This checklist has been developed to ensure that change sponsors address relevant regulatory requirements when compiling their submissions to the CAA. Completion of this form does not in itself guarantee CAA approval. The CAA will review and assess the actual content of the change sponsor's submission, before making a regulatory decision on whether the relevant regulatory requirements have been addressed satisfactorily.

Change sponsors should refer to the contents of CAP 1616 and CAP 1616f for further guidance on the requirements listed below.

Stage 4 enables the change sponsor to make any final adjustments to the airspace design ahead of submitting the final airspace change proposal to the CAA. This stage commences when the Stage 3 consultation has closed and the responses have been collated, reviewed and categorised by the change sponsor in the consultation response document.

Change sponsors should select a final design option and consider any updates to it in light of information received in the consultation, complete the final options appraisal, assess the need for additional consultation, and submit their final airspace change proposal describing the airspace change to the CAA and stakeholders.

The change sponsor or the CAA may request a meeting to discuss the final airspace change proposal submission so that any gaps can be identified, and preliminary queries addressed.

Stage 4 is completed with the submission of the full and unredacted version of the final airspace change proposal to the CAA, including any supplementary documents, annexes, or appendices, along with publication (redacted where appropriate) on the airspace change portal.

Stage 4 'UPDATE & SUBMIT' Requirements

Requirement		YES/ N/A	Document/Section [Change Sponsor to signpost the relevant document/section]
1.	Has the change sponsor selected a final design option if more than one was consulted on, providing justification for the selection?	Yes	Engagement Feedback and Response Document section 4, and ACP section 2.8.
2.	Has the change sponsor considered the merits and practical possibilities of updating the final design option to address issues identified in the consultation response document as requiring further consideration?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration. No updates were required. Engagement Feedback and Response Document section 4, and ACP section 2.8.
3.	Has the change sponsor assessed all feedback carried forward from the consultation response document, bringing each individual element to a conclusion as to whether it did, or did not, influence the final design option?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration. Engagement Feedback and Response Document section 4, and ACP section 2.8.
4.	Has the change sponsor developed the full options appraisal into a final options appraisal to consider any revised impacts due to the updated final design option and/or changes in data using the same approach as in the earlier stages?	N/A	No design updates were required. The final options appraisal is unchanged from the initial options appraisal. See ACP section 9.
5.	Has the change sponsor provided a rationale for any updates made to the final design option?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration. No updates were required.
6.	Has the change sponsor assessed whether any of the environmental impacts have changed?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration. Engagement Feedback and Response Document section 4, and ACP section 2.8.
7.	Has the change sponsor provided a final assessment of the impacts on safety?	Yes	ACP Section 8.
8.	Has the change sponsor provided any additional assessments for the habitats regulations assessment as specified by the CAA?	N/A	HRA was screened out.
9.	Did the change sponsor discuss with the CAA whether additional consultation was required where the final options appraisal reveals that the impact of the final design option has substantially changed, including modifications to instrument flight procedures?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration, the final design matches the engagement design, and FOA is unchanged from IOA.

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10.	Did the change sponsor re-consult where there was a substantial difference between the airspace change proposal consulted on and the final design option?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration, the final design matches the engagement design, and no further engagement was required.
11.	Has the change sponsor submitted post-consultation engagement evidence, analysis, and conclusions to the CAA?	Yes, upon publication	The Engagement Feedback and Response Document was not required to be submitted in advance to the CAA, and is published alongside the ACP as part of the scaled nature of this proposal.
12.	Has the change sponsor prepared the final airspace change proposal using the standard template?	Yes	ACP document follows the standard template, adapted where necessary.
13.	Has the change sponsor ensured that the final airspace change proposal does not include any design elements that have not been consulted on unless this has been approved by the CAA in advance?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration – the final design matches the engagement design.
14.	Where relevant, has the change sponsor ensured that their approved procedure design organisation provides the CAA with the instrument flight procedure design submission in accordance with the agreed method documented in the approved procedure design organisation's quality management system?	N/A	No IFPs were changed in this proposal.
15.	Where relevant, has the change sponsor included in the final airspace change proposal the rationale as to why no further consultation is required?	N/A	No issues were identified requiring further consideration, and no further engagement was required. The final design matches the engagement design. ACP para 2.8.5.
16.	Has the change sponsor included in their final airspace change proposal sufficient information written in plain English such that non-aviation stakeholders can understand the airspace change proposal and the anticipated impacts?	Yes	The ACP was written accordingly.
17.	Has the change sponsor included in their final airspace change proposal sufficient technical details such that aviation stakeholders can fully understand the airspace change proposal and the anticipated impacts?	Yes	The ACP was written accordingly.
18.	Has the change sponsor included in their final airspace change proposal sufficient details such that the CAA can assess the airspace change proposal against the CAA's statutory duties and where applicable, government policy?	Yes	The ACP was written accordingly.

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19.	Has the change sponsor included in their final airspace change proposal sufficient details such that the CAA can assess the airspace change proposal against any applicable CAA policies, including requests for policy dispensations?	Yes	The ACP was written accordingly. See also ACP section 7.
20.	Has the change sponsor included in their final airspace change proposal a realistic target implementation date that takes into account the decision process in Stage 5 and the implementation process set out in Stage 6, as well as any requirements of the change sponsor and impacted stakeholders?	Yes	ACP section 2.11 and the table at the beginning of this checklist.
21.	Has the change sponsor included their assessment as to whether the anticipated impacts meet any of the relevant call-in criteria set out in the Air Navigation Guidance 2017?	Yes	ACP section 2.10.
22.	Has the change sponsor submitted their final airspace change proposal to the CAA, noting that the technical instrument flight procedure submission (where relevant) must be submitted by the change sponsor's approved procedure design organisation?	Yes	The ACP and unredacted supplementary material was supplied via email on Friday 10 th October.
23.	Has the change sponsor published their final airspace change proposal on the airspace change portal, noting that this must not include the technical instrument flight procedure submission?	Yes	The ACP and associated documentation, redacted as necessary, was published on the CAA airspace change portal on Friday 10 th October.
24.	Has the change sponsor submitted a safety case and related assessments, where required?	N/A	Appropriate safety assurance processes will be completed. See ACP section 8.
25.	Has the change sponsor produced and published a final options appraisal and environmental assessment?	Yes	ACP Section 9.
26.	Has the change sponsor produced and published any additional assessments for habitats regulations assessment as specified by the CAA?	N/A	HRA was screened out. This appears to be a near-duplicate of Item 8 earlier in this checklist.
27.	Has the change sponsor produced an instrument flight procedure submission (if applicable) (submitted by change sponsor's approved procedure design organisation)?	N/A	No IFPs were changed in this proposal. This appears to be a near-duplicate of Item 14 earlier in this checklist.

Please provide any additional information below which is relevant to the Stage 4 'UPDATE AND SUBMIT'.

Scaled Level 2 ACP as agreed with the CAA