

Data request to facilitate Post Implementation Review (PIR) of:

**ACP-2011-02 GREATER WASH AND HUMBER GATEWAY TRANSPONDER
MANDATORY ZONES (TMZ)V2**

NATS Comment:

The review period for request of data is given as 2nd May 2013 to 31st April 2015. The answer given below take account of delays in implementation of the TMZs and are adjusted accordingly. Implementation dates are given as part of the response below.

Conditions attached to the CAA's decision to approve the change.

It was a condition of the decision that approval was granted to Anglia Radar to provide an SSR-only service within the TMZs prior to implementation of the TMZs and that such approval included the provision for the blanking out of the primary returns within the TMZs to eliminate clutter generated by the wind turbines. Please confirm when this approval was granted.

- The two ATC instructions written to update the Aberdeen MATS Part 2 (SI 010.14 and SI 022.16) both stated that the service provision within the TMZ must be SSR-only. Both SIs were made available to SARG for review with the required 30 days notice, and no objections were raised by SARG. Therefore approval to provide an SSR-only service was assumed.*

It was a condition of the decision LATCC (Mil) ATC were approved to provide radar services within the TMZ(s) using SSR alone. Please confirm the dates when this approval was granted.

- Response required from Swanwick RAF(U).*

Relevant events since change (if any)

Please confirm whether, since implementation, there has been a significant increase or decrease in aircraft movements and/or a change in the type of aircraft overflying these areas, or some other relevant event, this should be set out here as background context during the period of the review (2nd May 2013 and 31st April 2015).

No significant changes or events.

Data to be collected from Change Sponsor for the purpose of the PIR.

Please confirm the implementation dates for:

- a) The Humber Gateway TMZ = 01/05/14
- b) The Greater wash TMZ. = 13/10/16

Please explain if the actual implementation date(s) was not as identified in the Decision Letter.

- *Date in Decision Letter was 02/05/13*

If there was a significant delay between the planned and actual implementation date, please provide an explanation.

- *Delays in Windfarm Construction. TMZs not required until PSR blanking applied, and this was only implemented immediately prior to turbines first turning.*

Other than normal promulgation activity (e.g. NOTAM, AIC etc.) request please identify what steps were undertaken to notify stakeholders that the airspace change was about to be implemented.

- *North Sea Helicopter operators were briefed at Southern North Sea safety meetings and by e-mail. NOTAM and AICs considered sufficient for other airspace users. As TMZs were subject to an LOA with LATCC Mil, it was assumed that they would brief military airspace users.*