

EXPANSION UPDATE



THE NEXT STAGES FOR DELIVERING HEATHROW EXPANSION

DECEMBER 2017

In October 2016, the Government announced that a north west runway at Heathrow is its preferred scheme for the expansion of airport capacity in the South East.

Since then, we have been working hard to evolve the plans we submitted to the Airports Commission. Early next year we will be looking for views on these emerging proposals as part of our public consultation that will run between 17 January and 28 March 2018.

This document sets out some background, the process and the timeline. It also includes more information about our public consultation.

BACKGROUND

Sept
2012

The Government set up the Airports Commission to examine the need for additional UK airport capacity and make recommendations on the timing and location of any new runway in the South East.

July
2013

Heathrow submitted proposals to the Airports Commission for a new runway at Heathrow airport. A diverse range of alternative proposals were submitted by other airports and organisations.

July
2015

Following further consultation and analysis, the Airports Commission issued its final report on 1 July 2015 making a unanimous and unambiguous recommendation to Government that a new north west runway at Heathrow is best placed to provide the additional hub capacity that the UK urgently needs.

Oct
2016

The Government announced that the Heathrow north west runway is its preferred option for expansion of airport capacity in the South East.



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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The proposed expansion of Heathrow is now being taken through a planning and consenting process.

POLICY SUPPORT

Before planning consent can be given for Heathrow's new runway, the Government must put in place what is known as an Airports National Policy Statement (NPS). The NPS will set out the need for additional airport capacity in the south-east of England and explain why this can be delivered by a north west runway at Heathrow.

The Government consulted publicly on its draft Airports NPS in February 2017 and held a 16 week consultation. They opened a short period of further consultation between October and December 2017 to allow updated evidence to be considered.

The next step in the Government's NPS process will be parliamentary scrutiny of the NPS through the Transport Select Committee, made up of MPs from across the different political parties.

If adopted, the NPS will set out the tests that must be met by any application to expand Heathrow.

PLANNING CONSENT

Heathrow is ultimately responsible for obtaining consent to build and operate the future airport.

Development Consent Order

To gain permission to build the physical infrastructure to expand, Heathrow must apply for what is known as a Development Consent Order (DCO).

The DCO will contain most of the consents and powers Heathrow needs to build and operate the third runway.

The preparation of the DCO application will involve two periods of Heathrow public consultation before being handed over to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) for consideration. PINS will carry out a period of independent examination before passing their recommendation over to the Secretary of State for Transport to make the final decision. The whole process is expected to take around three years from now.

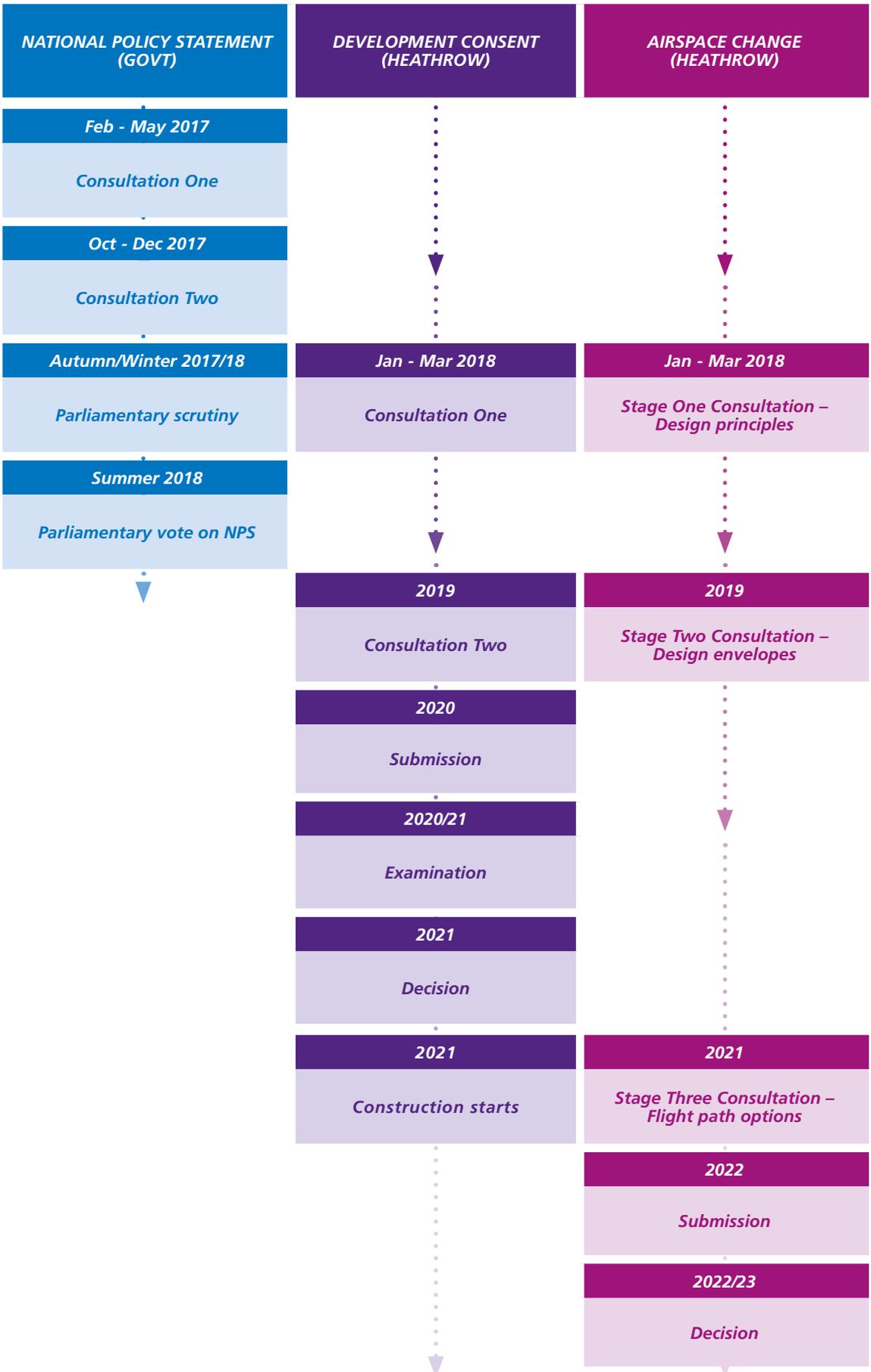
Airspace Change Process

The expansion of the airport is not just about the physical changes required on the ground. Expanding Heathrow will also lead to changes to where and how planes fly in the future. Changes to flight paths are subject to a separate airspace change process which is overseen by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

The Airspace Change Process is running alongside the DCO process although the final and third stage of consultation on flight paths will take place after the decision is taken on the DCO for the expansion of Heathrow.



INDICATIVE TIMELINE



CONSULTING ON OUR PLANS

Since the Government announced its support for Heathrow, we have been developing our proposals and have come up with multiple options for how the expanded airport might look, how it might operate, and how we

might best mitigate the potential impacts, including proposals for compensation and noise insulation.

In January 2018 we will begin our public consultation. Our consultation represents

a major milestone to deliver Heathrow expansion in a way that is fair to our local communities, meets strict environmental tests and connects all of the UK to global growth.

There will be two parts to the consultation.



AIRPORT EXPANSION CONSULTATION

AIRPORT EXPANSION CONSULTATION ONE:

17 JANUARY – 28 MARCH 2018

We've identified options for how we could deliver an expanded Heathrow including how we will manage and reduce the effects of expansion on local communities and the environment.

Our consultation will introduce information on scheme design options, including:

- Runway
- Terminals and aprons
- Taxiways
- M25 alignment and junctions
- Local roads
- River diversions, flood storage
- Airport supporting facilities (cargo, maintenance and car parking)
- Airport related development (hotels, offices, industrial and warehousing)
- Displaced uses
- Construction sites
- Mitigation land



It will also introduce new information on our proposed approaches to important topics, including:

- Noise
- Air quality
- Carbon and climate change
- Surface access
- Fuel facilities
- Property compensation

We will feed the responses into our next consultation on our preferred scheme, expected in the first half of 2019, prior to submitting our application for planning consent.



AIRSPACE PRINCIPLES CONSULTATION

DESIGN PRINCIPLES CONSULTATION ONE:

17 JANUARY – 28 MARCH 2018

An important part of expanding Heathrow will be the changes that must be made to airspace and flight paths around Heathrow to accommodate the new runway. This is subject to a separate Airspace Change Process and will require Heathrow to undertake three stages of consultation.

Before designing possible future flight paths, we need to build a set of principles or 'rules' that will form the basis for them. We are seeking views on these principles in this consultation. We will use these design principles to inform the next stage of consultation which will establish the local factors that should be taken into account.

We'll be using a range of methods to inform and engage with people about our consultation:

- A leaflet drop to thousands of homes around Heathrow
- Media advertising
- Dedicated consultation website
- Over 30 public exhibitions where our consultation documents will be available and members of our team on hand to answer questions
- Document inspection locations (e.g. civic buildings) where reference copies of our documents will be available to view
- A community phonenumber



10,000
apprenticeships



UP TO
40,000
NEW
LOCAL JOBS

Expansion is an opportunity to build a long term, sustainable legacy for our local communities. It will generate thousands of new jobs and apprenticeships. It is vital that everyone can have their say.

Up to
£187
BILLION
in economic
benefits across
the UK



260,000
ADDITIONAL AIR TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS
SERVING UP TO
40 LONG-HAUL ROUTES



UP TO
180,000
JOBS CREATED ACROSS THE UK



2X
current
cargo volume



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