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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Bournemouth Airport has a systematic approach to the operation of the Aerodrome, demonstrating our commitment to the safe and effective management of the business.

To maintain the highest standards of safety and operational efficiency, all airside tenants are required to rigorously comply with airport regulations and associated operational instructions and procedures. It is imperative that each tenant familiarises themselves with the tenant handbook and airport regulations, encompassing all relevant rules and procedures governing airside activities. Routine inspections will be carried out to monitor adherence to the regulations, and consequences, including fines or penalties may be enforced in cases of non-compliance. The airport authorities emphasise the importance of collaboration, open communication, and commitment to maintaining a safe and efficient airside environment for the collective well-being of all stakeholders.

- 1.2 Airport documentation, issued to based operators, details the characteristics, policies and operational procedures to ensure the continued safety and integrity of operations at Bournemouth International Airport.

2. PURPOSE

- 2.1 The purpose of this document is to ensure that any activity which represents a potential hazard to the Airport’s operations, undertaken by non-based organisations located within the vicinity of the Airport, is managed effectively and appropriate measures applied to mitigate any identified associated risk.
- 2.2 This document provides an overview of the relevant areas, activities and practices to be considered by such organisations. Documentation detailing the required processes to be followed are included as relevant.

3. AERODROME SAFEGUARDING

- 3.1 SAFEGUARDING

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The purpose of Aerodrome Safeguarding is to implement the necessary measures to ensure the safety of aircraft taking off and landing, or while flying within the vicinity of the Aerodrome.

Regulations are established to ensure the safety of the Airport’s operations regarding potential hazards from the location of buildings, structures, obstacles and various activities within defined areas, both within the Airfield boundary and in the vicinity of the Airfield.

Aerodrome Safeguarding covers three main areas:

- **Physical Safeguarding:** the protection of defined safety areas / surfaces within a 30km radius of the Airfield
- **Technical Safeguarding:** the protection of aircraft navigational equipment from interference or disruption
- **Wildlife Management:** the prevention of locations, developments or activities creating an environment attractive to bird and wildlife activity (e.g. rabbit, hares, foxes, rodents).

Safeguarding applies to a variety of elements, activities, developments etc. These include:

- Landscaping schemes which could encourage wildlife (within 13km)
- Cranes / construction equipment (within 6km)
- Firework displays, Chinese Lanterns, Balloon Releases
- Developments using highly reflective materials, such as glazed roofs or photovoltaic cells
- Masts / Antennas emitting signals which could interfere with navigation aids
- Wind Turbines (within 60km)
- Drone activity
- Lighting or illuminated signage

3.2 LIGHTING

All forms of lighting, whether temporary or permanent, must not be directed at the Airfield or towards the Approach track to the Runway. External lighting must be angled down and inwards to prevent any potential risk of glare to pilots or Air Traffic Control.

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3.3 USE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT

Before the use of any radio frequency transmitting equipment is introduced, authorisation must be obtained from the Airport’s Air Traffic Engineering Manager.

3.4 WASTE MANAGEMENT / WILDLIFE CONTROL

Every effort must be employed to ensure that waste material does not constitute a hazard, by being discarded in such a way that could result in it blowing across the Airfield or the Approach path.

Particular attention must be afforded to any food waste, which should always be deposited within closed bins or containers to prevent the risk of increased bird activity around the site.

Any development plans at the site which involve areas of open water, tree planting, or landscaping should be advised to the Airport Authority prior to undertaking the works. Such activity carries potential to attract birds and may need to be modified before proceeding.

Building rooftops can attract large gulls and every effort must be made to prevent breeding gulls from becoming established. If necessary, nests should be removed prior to the breeding season.

3.5 CONSTRUCTION / CONTROLLED BURNING

Any construction activity at the site must be managed so as not to constitute a hazard to the Airport’s operations, including freshly dug areas that could attract birds, the appropriate disposal of spoils, and general habitat control.

Controlled burning must be carefully planned and managed to avoid smoke / debris drifting across the Airfield or the Approach paths. All such activity must be advised to Air Traffic Control prior to commencing.

Technical safeguarding of the Airport’s navigational equipment and installations must also be fully assessed in relation to any construction work, or before the

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introduction of any equipment or systems which could interfere with or impact the integrity of the Airport’s equipment.

Crane operations are subject to the issue of an operating permit prior to any such activity commencing. The safeguarding process will assess the requirements and determine the permitted maximum jib height at the specified location.

Ref:- AOI 26 – Crane Operations

3.6 DRONES

Operators must comply with current regulations at all times. Drones or similar devices must not be operated from or over the site without the express permission of Air Traffic Control at the Airport.

Further information of operating drones can be found on www.caa.co.uk/droneaware

4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

4.1 *Air Traffic Control can be contacted on 01202 364150; daily Contact details for personnel at the Airport can be requested via:*

<https://www.bournemouthairport.com/contact/>

4.2 *Additional information relating to elements referenced in this document can be obtained via the following link:*

<https://www.bournemouthairport.com/airport-operational-instructions-aois/>