

OPERATIONAL NOTICE (OPNOT)

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New Taxiway Construction Temporary Procedures

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1. Introduction

This Operational Notice (OPNOT) provides notice to pilots of temporary operating procedures in force at Wolverhampton Halfpenny Green Airport due to ongoing airside construction works.

These temporary procedures result in changes to normal runway and taxiway operations.

Pilots must read and understand this OPNOT prior to arrival or departure.

2. Background

Following approval from the Airport Board and the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), construction of a new taxiway is taking place in front of the apron and Control Tower.

Although the majority of construction works have now been completed, some restrictions remain in place pending completion and opening of the new taxiway.

- These restrictions include:
- closure of Runway 04/22 for take-off and landing;
- closure of Runway 10/28 Grass;
- closure of Heli South; and
- continued construction activity in parts of the manoeuvring area.

Additional temporary procedures remain in force to maintain safe operations until the new taxiway is brought into operational use.

3. Operations

Duration of Works

As of **Thursday 1st October**, the majority of construction works have been completed. Limited works remain in progress, which may result in minor disruption to operations.

The temporary procedures detailed within this OPNOT will remain in force until the new taxiway is brought into operational use or until otherwise notified.

These procedures may be amended in response to changes in construction activity or operational requirements. Further OPNOTs will be issued as required.

Runway Availability

The following runway availability applies:

Runway 16/34

Available for take-off and landing

Runway 22/04

Closed for take-off and landing.

Available for taxiing only

Runway 10/28

Available for take-off and landing

Runway 10/28 Grass

Closed for all use including take-off, landing, and taxiing

Pilots are reminded to positively confirm correct runway alignment prior to take-off and landing, particularly in reduced visibility or unfamiliar conditions.

Helicopter Operations

Heli South is currently **CLOSED** and shall remain closed for the foreseeable future.

Helicopters joining or departing from the south are recommended to route parallel to Runway 34, remaining west of Runway 34 and west of Taxiway Alpha between Alpha 5 and Helipad 6, as depicted in Appendix A.

Helicopter pilots shall exercise additional caution and ensure they remain clear of all construction activity associated with the closure of Heli South.

Construction Activity Adjacent to Runways 10/28 and 22/04

Construction works are still taking place adjacent to the sides of Runway 22/04. As such, Runway 22/04 is closed for take-off and landing.

Contractor vehicles and plants may be operating in close proximity to Runway 22/04 and also on the new taxiway. Contractors may need to cross Taxiway Alpha, near Hold A5, but will only do so with ATS permission.

Pilots are advised to:

- Exercise additional caution when taxiing or conducting power checks on or adjacent to and Runway 22.
- Maintain heightened situational awareness for the presence of construction activity in these areas.
- Comply with any instructions or information provided by Air Traffic Services.

Impact on Taxiway Alpha

Taxiway Alpha has reopened for full operational use. There are no temporary restrictions on aircraft movements along Taxiway Alpha.

Contractor vehicles do not have unrestricted access to Taxiway Alpha. Any contractor movement requiring access to or crossing of Taxiway Alpha will be subject to permission from Air Traffic Services.

NOTAMs and Further Information

Relevant information will be promulgated via NOTAMs where appropriate.

Pilots must review current NOTAMs and the aerodrome website pilot briefing prior to operating.

Further changes to temporary operating procedures will be issued via additional Operational Notices (OPNOTs). These will be emailed to resident operators and published on the airport website.

If there is any doubt regarding the temporary procedures, pilots are advised to contact Air Traffic Services prior to operation.

4. Queries.

Queries shall be addressed to Operations Manager Jordan Timmins, Duty Manager Harvey Sant, or FISO Manager Jonathan Francis.

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5. Cancellations

This OPNOT shall remain in place until cancelled