

## Helicopter Access & Associated Noise Abatement Guidance to and from the **east** of the airport

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## Background

Historically, basic guidance was to fly south of Hampton Poyle and Thrupp when accessing the airport to & from the east side, lining up with the old crosswind runway (now taxiway 'D' & 'C') generally facilitating this.

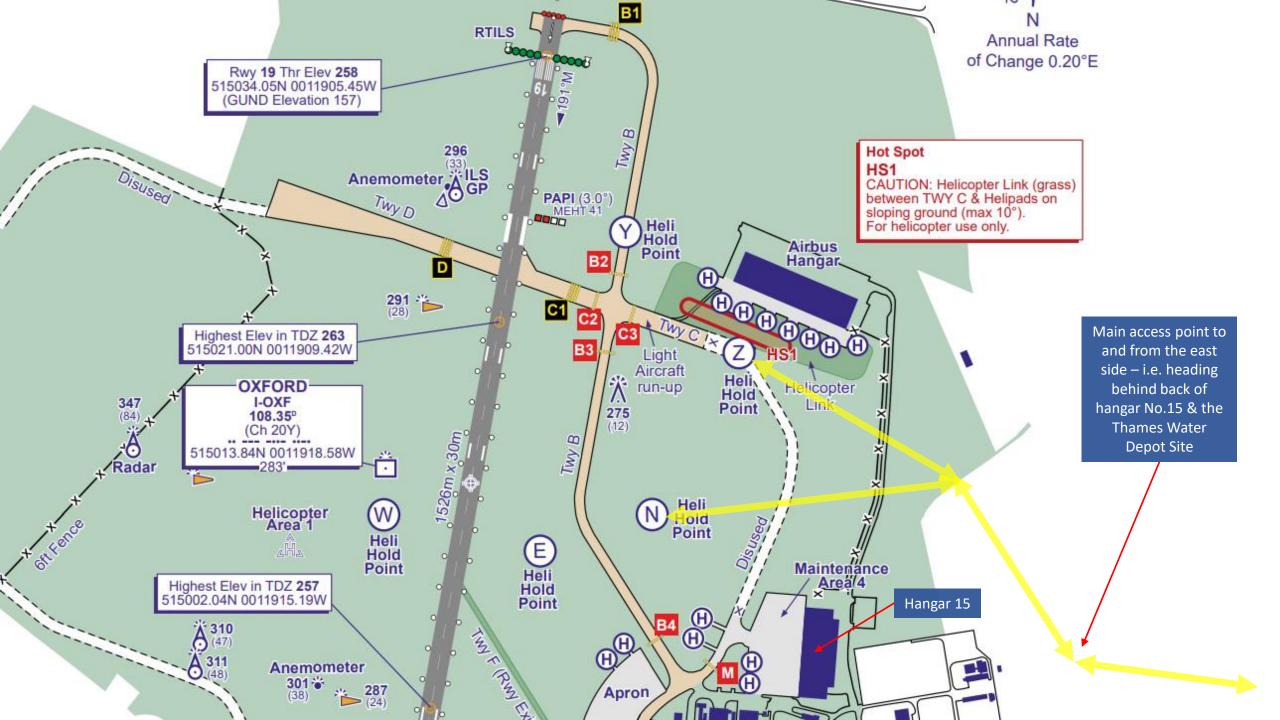
In practice, too many helicopters cut the corner as soon as they crossed the airport boundary (Banbury/Kidlington Road - A4260) and are often too close to, or above Thrupp, or cut across Hampton Gay / Hampton Poyle in particular.

The current recommendation is that aircraft go all the way out to the **A34** Kidlington/Islip/Hampton Poyle junction, some **2.3 nm** (*i.e.* outside the ATZ) from the main runway, as the primary visual reference/aiming point on the eastern side, underflying the visual circuit, joining at 1,000ft AMSL.

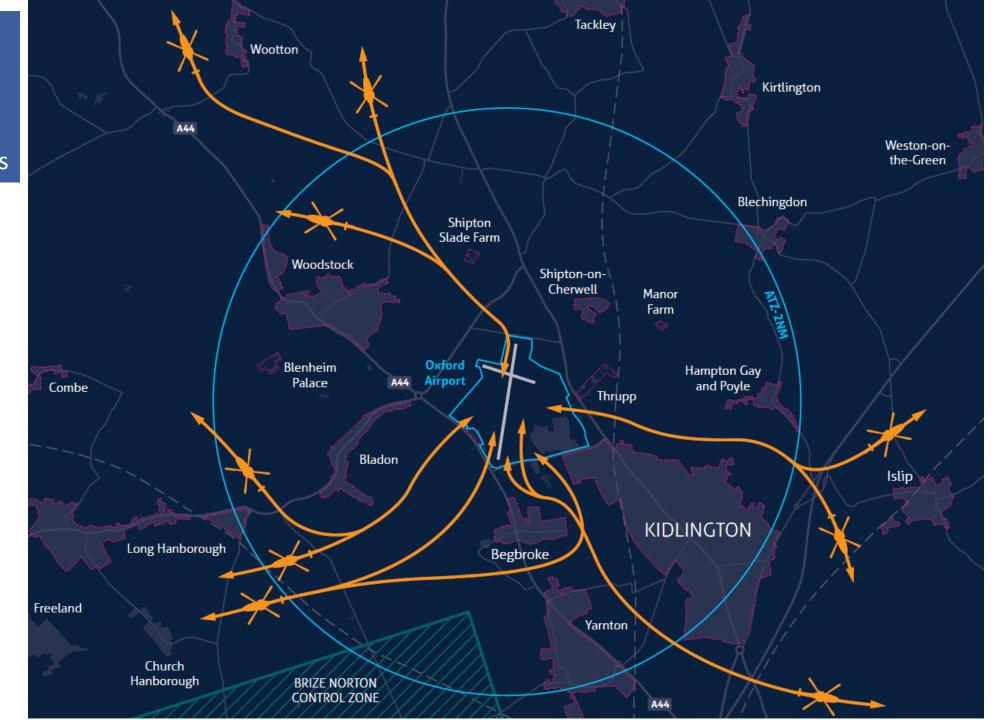
Aim to be equidistant between the churches at Hampton Poyle and Kidlington, then to follow a line across open fields north of Kidlington, as indicated in the image(s) accompanying this text. This guarantees avoidance of Hampton Poyle, Hampton Gay, Thrupp, and Kidlington for access to & from the east.







Basic OXF
Routing
Guidance
for
Helicopters



**Note for Planners** – the CDC-proposed (Local Plan 2040) allocation site for 300-350 houses north of the Moors (Ref: LPR8a, 21.5 acres) will be very close to the current promulgated helicopter access routings – *as little as 100 metres away* 

