

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

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Background

Historically, helicopters to or from the west side of the airport have been encouraged to exit the airport across what was the 'old showground' (west side behind the radar), across Upper Campsfield road and move north across the fields between the eastern side of Woodstock and Perdiswell Farm, before moving to the west, well above and north of Woodstock and then vice-versa on inbound flights.

Alternatively, head due north across the 'Delta' taxiway, across the Straight Mile Road and turn west, or north-west, again across the Upper Campsfield road, avoiding Shipton Glebe and Shipton Slade Farm, then avoiding overflying Wootton village too, despite being outside of the ATZ.

Both the above are indicated by the **BLUE** paths overleaf.

The helicopter training circuit is not often used, but users generally leave the 'Helicopter Area 1' training zone the west side of the runway and again fly between the east side of Woodstock and Perdiswell Farm, using the Bladon Roundabout as a turning point to the south and avoiding Shipton Glebe to the north as per the **RED** path overleaf.

NOTE - The recently proposed housing development for around 450-500 homes on land east of Park View, Woodstock (west of Upper Campsfield Road, CDC local development plan Ref: **LPR2**), lies directly beneath these long-established helicopter paths.

AVOID WOOTTON

**Helicopter Routes & Circuit Pattern
(West Side For Guidance Only)**

Duke of Marlborough Pub

**Arrivals & Departures
to/from the West, North-West**

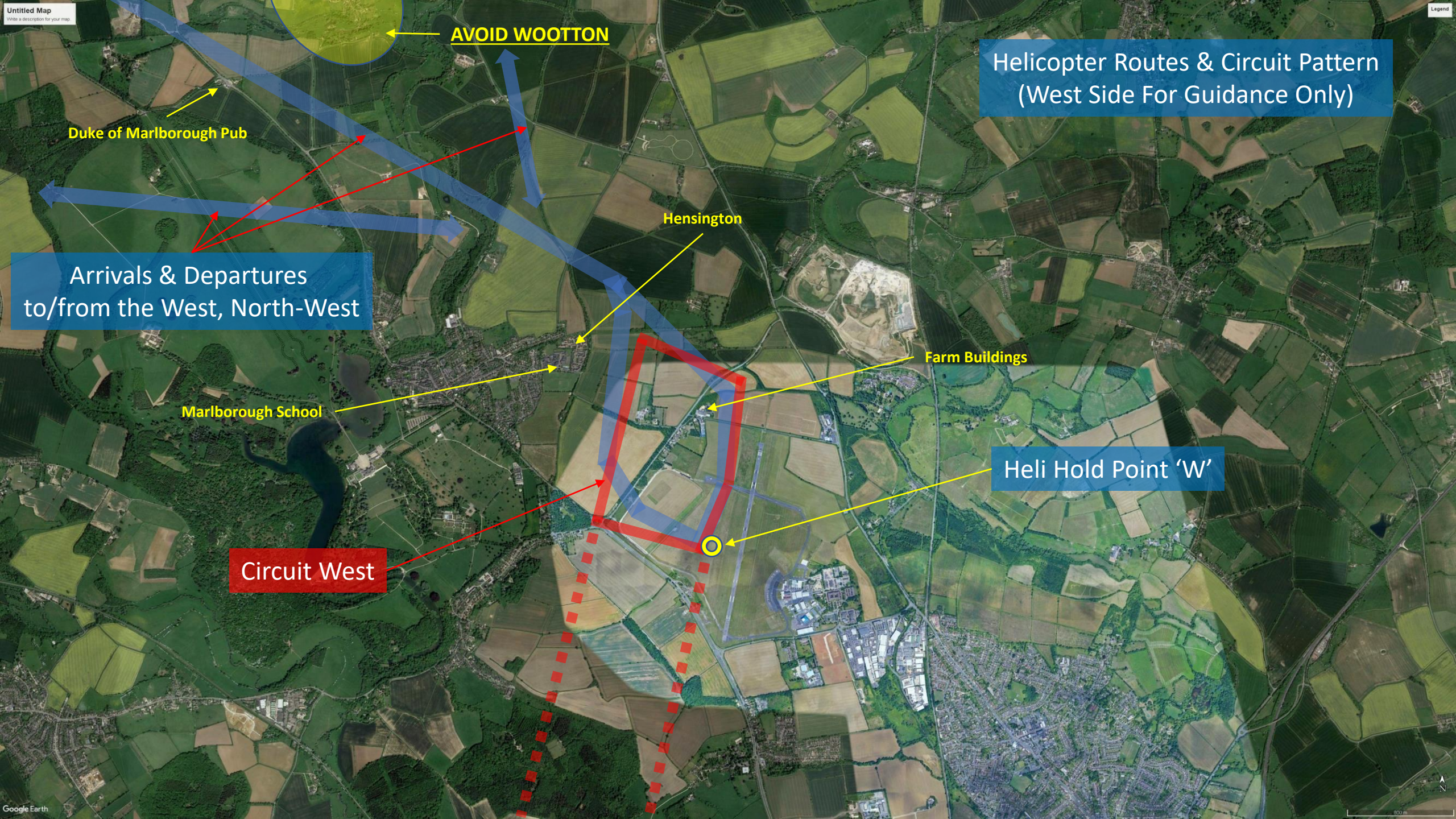
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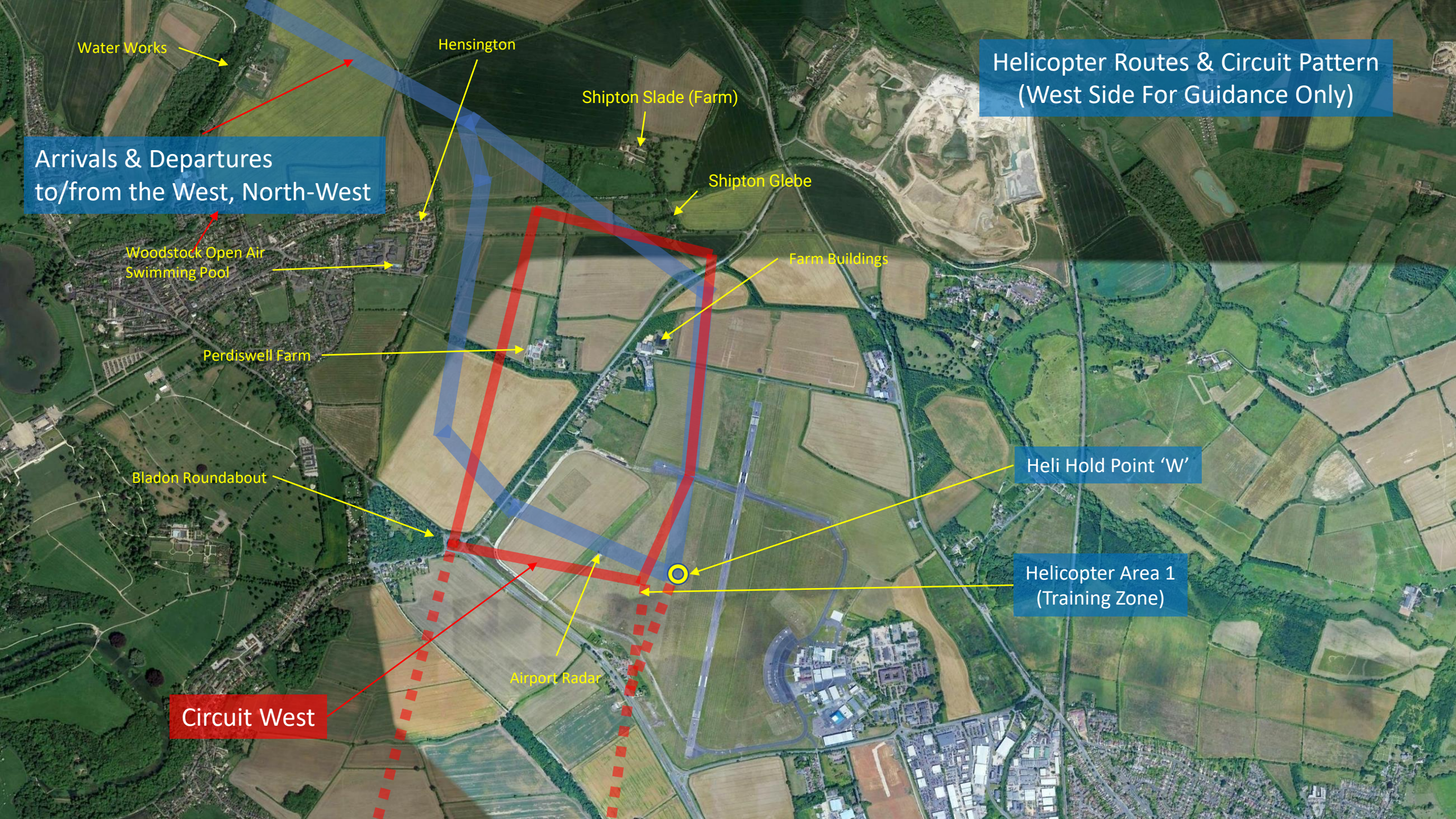
Farm Buildings

Marlborough School

Heli Hold Point 'W'

Circuit West





Helicopter Routes & Circuit Pattern
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Arrivals & Departures
to/from the West, North-West

Water Works

Hensington

Shipton Slade (Farm)

Shipton Glebe

Farm Buildings

Woodstock Open Air
Swimming Pool

Perdiswell Farm

Heli Hold Point 'W'

Helicopter Area 1
(Training Zone)

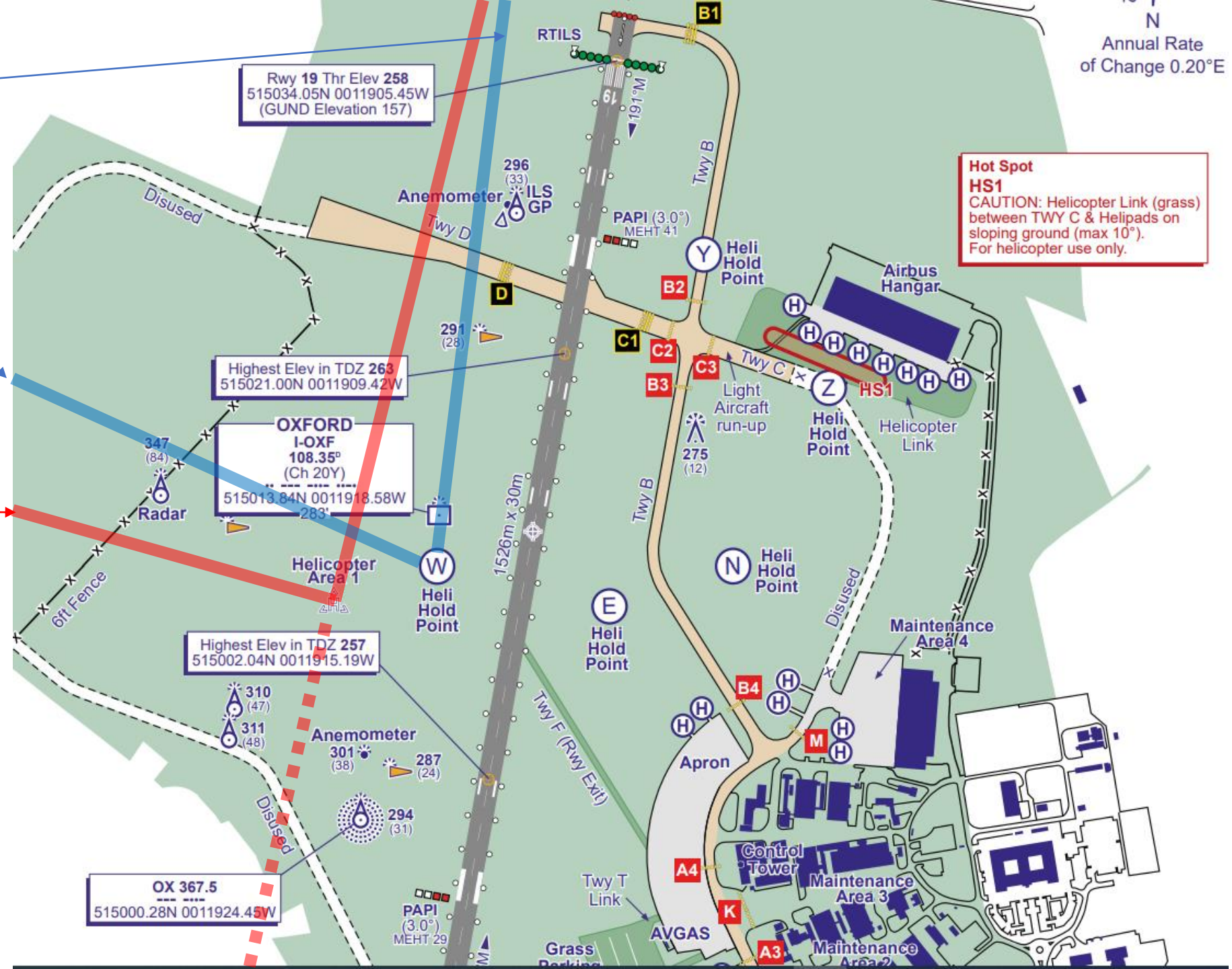
Bladon Roundabout

Airport Radar

Circuit West

Arrivals & Departures from the West / North-West

Circuit West



Basic OXF Routing Guidance for Helicopters



Helicopter Routes
Noise Abatement Procedures
as promulgated in Pooleys
(a third-party VFR flight guide)

‘Helicopters should depart straight ahead on runway track, climb to 1000ft before turning, continuing to avoid overflying local conurbations’



Note for Planners – the CDC-proposed (Local Plan 2040) allocation site for 450-500 houses north of the Bladon Roundabout (Ref: LPR2, 49 acres) is right under the current promulgated helicopter access routings and the helicopter training circuit on the west side of the airport. Likewise, the development lies directly in line with the engine test zone on Taxiway Delta as agreed in the airport’s 2005 Section 106 Agreement – i.e. easterly winds will carry associated noise right across the proposed zone.

