
Proposed Visual Reporting Point
Ardmore Area
– airspace user consultation

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Introduction

Proposal to Designate a Visual Reporting Point

Ardmore Airport, on behalf of the Ardmore Flight Operations Group (AFOG) have submitted an application for an additional Visual Reporting Point (VRP) to be designated and published on visual navigation charts.

See Appendix A for a diagram of the proposed VRP, to be annotated GLASSHOUSE; also, a screenshot depicting the proposed VRP as was provided in the application.

The AFOG meeting held on 21 September 2022 supported the proposed VRP designation. The meeting noted the proposed VRP 'GLASSHOUSE' if designated could facilitate aircraft joining downwind RWY 03 from the eastern side of Clevedon to remain clear of aircraft climbing crosswind in the Ardmore RWY 03 aerodrome circuit. The application noted the AIP NZAR AD 2-35.1 RWY 03 preferred joining procedures could be reviewed if this VRP is designated.

Requirements of Civil Aviation Rule Part 71 (71.251)

71.251 Visual reporting points

(a) The Director may designate visual reporting points for the purpose of—

- (1) facilitating the requirements of air traffic services for information regarding the progress of aircraft in flight; or
- (2) facilitating the safe conduct of flight by visual reference.

(b) The Director must ensure that visual reporting points —

- (1) are based on prominent geographical features; and
- (2) are identified by names or designators that—
 - (i) are easily recognisable in voice communications; and
 - (ii) will not be confused with those of other reporting points in the same general area; and
 - (iii) do not create confusion with other communications exchanged between pilots and between air traffic services and pilots.

Consultation list

Prior to designating VRPs, Civil Aviation Rule 71.9 requires the Director to consult independently with affected persons, organisations, and representative groups within the aviation industry before making a designation or classification of airspace.

The Director invites feedback regarding the proposed VRP designation.

This document is available on the CAA website at the following link:

[2022 airspace reviews | aviation.govt.nz](https://www.caa.govt.nz/2022-air-space-reviews)

Notifications will be sent to CAA email notification subscribers to Airspace Notifications – Briefing Areas 1 and 2.

If there are any further questions regarding the consultation process, please contact Julia Fitness or Hamish McKoy – contact details below.

Submissions

This document forms part of the consultation process. Submissions are sought from any interested person, organisation, or representative group.

Submissions are accepted either electronically or via mail.

Please address submissions to:

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Reference – **Proposed VRP - Ardmore Area** **23/ASD/16**

Closing date for submissions is **Friday 18th November 2022**.



Further information

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Appendix A – Proposed VRP Ardmore



-  Existing VRPs
-  Proposed VRP

Screenshot presented to AFOG meeting 21 September 2022

