

All- party Parliamentary Group on General Aviation.

MEDIA RELEASE

Today (28/07/2022), the All Party Parliamentary Group on General Aviation (APPG-GA) launched its report on 'The Value for Money for a Temporary Reinstatement of EGNOS', which has been prepared by Oxera Consulting, the Oxford based business consultants on policy and economic issues. The report argues firmly for government to take note of the benefits from the safety of life aspects of the European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service (EGNOS), with a view to providing an interim solution, prior to any future development of a UK replacement for the GPS overlay service that terminated on 25 June 2021 as a result of UK's exiting the European Union.

Co-Chair of the APPG for General Aviation, Lord Davies of Gower said, 'The importance of the EGNOS facility cannot be overstated from a safety perspective, not just for aviation but also for maritime and agricultural operations. This report lays out fairly and squarely the absolute need for such a service and we will now be taking this forward to government to seek an interim solution, prior to the UK developing a replacement for the Galileo led system'

Termination of the EGNOS -Safety of Life Service, has had a significant effect on the ability of both commercial and private aviation to operate safely in inclement weather conditions, and has resulted in loss of revenue to smaller airports already suffering economic hardship.

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