

NMB Guiding Principles

1. The NMB will consistently take account of relevant, current, Government and CAA policy and guidance when assessing or proposing changes, including the process to follow and applicable metrics for decision making.
2. When undertaking short-term activities to reduce the impact of aviation noise (typically activities not requiring the airspace change process), the change should aim to reduce the impact of noise.
3. NMB workplan activities should normally be subject to a benefit and impacts analysis. In some cases, it may not be possible to complete a full benefit and impacts analysis, in which case the NMB should seek indicative community opinion and feedback.
4. Community feedback and opinion for the NMB will normally be supplemented by conducting specific focus workshops to explain the workstream activity, its expected impact and, to facilitate the development of a balanced indication of community views.
5. The NMB will seek, where reasonably possible, to supplement community views, by gathering feedback and inputs when considered appropriate for the NMB, by using these facilitated workshops to guide noise strategy and planning.

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