

FOI Release

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Information request

Please could you give details of why Greenham Common or Kidlington have not been considered or perhaps the secondary airstrip in the center of Anglesey?

Information released

The information requested is not held by the UK Space Agency. Due to the nature of the information requested the Department of Transport may hold the information you are seeking, as they are leading this work stream.

The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) undertook a detailed review of what would be required from an operational and regulatory perspective to enable spaceplanes to operate from the UK by 2018, pending demonstration of feasibility and a decision to do so. The CAA's findings include key operational, safety, meteorological, environmental and economic criteria for selecting a suitable site for a spaceport. There is a consultation seeking views on the 8 potential locations identified which began on 15 July 2014 and will run until 6 October 2014 and can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/spaceport-locations-and-criteria>
