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**Safety Recommendation:**

The National Flight Centre should review its training syllabus to consider including diversion exercises, to alternate airfields in the vicinity of EIWT.

**Response:**

June 2018

The National Flight Centre responded to the AAIU on 21 June 2018 advising as follows:

"A Flight Crew Instruction was issued on 17th April 2018, directing instructors who are authorising student solo flights to ensure that students are fully briefed on procedures for flight to alternate airports in the event of being unable to return to Weston for any reason.

In addition:

1. A written agreement has been signed between the Department of Defence and National Flight Centre to include the use of Baldonnell as an alternate for students of NFC.
2. Standardisation Training for instructors include this new procedure.
3. Prior to first Solo and at a later stage during Navigation training, students will be diverted by their instructors for a Touch and go landing in Baldonnell.
4. The training syllabi will be amended on their next version, to include Baldonnell training in the specific exercises."

**AAIU Comment:**

The AAIU notes the response provided by the NFC and considers the status of this safety recommendation as "Implemented,closed"