

**STANSTED AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES GROUP**

**NOTE OF MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES GROUP HELD AT  
STANSTED AIRPORT ON 22 FEBRUARY 2017**

**ATTENDEES**

Keith Artus (Chairman)  
Jackie Cheetham  
Richard Burrett  
Graham McAndrew  
Danny Purton  
Hylton Johnson  
Stewart Ashurst  
Gary Jones

**Also present:**

Neil Robinson - MAG  
Duncan Smith - London Stansted Airport  
Martin Churley - London Stansted Airport

Frank Evans (Secretary and Technical Adviser to STACC)

**AGENDA**

**1. Apologies for absence**

Steve Bailes

**2. Notes of previous meeting**

The Group confirmed the notes of the meeting held on 9 November 2016.  
(Copy attached). NB – The notes were received and endorsed at the STACC meeting on  
25 January 2017.

**3. Action points**

Update on action points arising from the last meeting.

### **Clacton route**

It was agreed that the Committee should write to the CAA as part of the CAA's post implementation review of the switch of routes. This followed discussion with the local parish councils at the previous meetings

### **PBN trials**

Members of the Group had been invited to suggest possible options for extension of PBN to other routes. After discussion it was agreed that STAL should investigate the possibility of PBN being introduced on both the Buzad routes. It was suggested that it would be helpful if STAL could draw up an outline implementation programme including timescales. It was further agreed that STAL might make a presentation to the next STACC meeting. It was noted that as not all STACC members were not conversant with airspace issues, the presentation should be made in layman terms

Discussions were continuing with Ryanair and the IAA relating to greater use of PBN by the Irish airline. It was suggested that it might be helpful if the Chairman were to write again to the Irish authorities. There were issues concerning the speed when Ryanair aircraft flew clean. The Chairman would liaise with STAL as to the terms of any letter.

### **Additional metrics**

It was noted that STAL had now placed information relating to additional metrics on the airport's website. The Chairman had written to Uttlesford District Council informing them about the availability of additional metrics for use when considering planning issues. It was agreed that there would be value in promoting the work for example engaging with local councils or a STACC presentation. It was noted that the DfT's current consultation on noise and airspace suggested the need for additional metrics to be developed.

### **Electric vehicles**

The issue of monitoring the use of electric vehicles had been added to the Group's AWP. It was suggested that it would be helpful if the Group received a presentation at a future meeting

### **Air Quality**

Monitoring of air quality had been added to the Group's AWP.

## **4. AWP**

The Chairman advised that he was seeking to contact Dr Jefferson (Sustainable Aviation) with a view to identifying a suitable research project

## **5. Night Flights Consultation**

The Group considered a paper from the Secretary and Technical Adviser. The paper provided background on the consultation and suggested key areas that might be included in the Group's response. In discussion it was suggested that the Group should recommend the adoption of an annual allocation subject to monthly limits rather than the existing summer/winter regime. This would remove the current issue of the carry over provision. The Group's response should stress that the aim of all parties to the restrictions should be

to reduce night noise events. It was agreed that the Secretary in consultation with the Chairman should amend the draft response to reflect the discussion and submit the response by the closing date of 28 February.

## **6. Airspace**

The Group considered two papers prepared by the Secretary and Technical Adviser . The first covered the DfT consultation on airspace policy and the second the proposed CAA consultation on airspace guidance. It was noted that the Secretary would prepare a draft response to the DfT consultation in due course and circulate to members

## **7. Government consultations**

The Group received an information note on current consultations

## **8. Date of Next Meeting**

24 May 2017