

STANSTED AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES GROUP

NOTE OF MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES GROUP HELD AT STANSTED AIRPORT ON 26 MAY 2016

ATTENDEES

Keith Artus (Chairman)
Graham McAndrew
Stewart Ashurst
Danny Purton
Richard Burrett
Steve Bailes (adviser)

Also present:

Neil Robinson - MAG
Duncan Smith - London Stansted Airport
Kathy Morrissey - London Stansted Airport

Frank Evans (Secretary and Technical Adviser)

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Stewart Ashurst , Zhanine Smith

2. Notes of previous meeting

The Group confirmed the notes of the meeting held on 10 February 2016. (Copy attached). NB – The notes had been received and endorsed at the STACC meeting on 20 April 2016.

3. Action points

Update on action points arising from the last meeting.

Environmental issues

- The AMT provided to provide a list of projects that fell outside the 3 year payback period. (

Noise metrics

- Covered under Item 5.

Review of Sound Insulation Schemes

- The AMT reported that this work was ongoing

Annual Work Programme

- The revised AWP had been circulated to Members.

Benchmarking

- Covered under the following agenda item 4.

4. Annual Energy and Environment Management review.

Kathy Morrissey (AMT) made a detailed presentation about the annual review (copy of presentation attached). This outlined the work that the airport was conducting in a number of areas including energy consumption and waste as well as priorities for the coming year. These were likely to cover energy, capital investment, waste consumption and increasing awareness.

5. Benchmarking

It had been planned that a representative of the retail sector (Intu) would attend the meeting and advise the Group about their sustainability policies and procedures. In the event this had not proved possible. The AMT were requested to rearrange with the suggestion that it might take place at Intu Stratford.

6. Alternative metrics

The AMT made a presentation on the production of further N70 contour projections. The Group considered that this was a helpful step forward but there was scope for further development. Further information about the assumptions on fleet mix. Once the information had been further defined it was planned that an information pack might be developed to help inform the local community. The metrics might be used as criteria for the revised sound insulation scheme. As regards the use of alternative metrics in planning decisions, it was noted that the s106 agreement required the use of the 57 Leq metric. It was agreed that the Chairman should write to Uttlesford District Council about the issue.

7. Airspace issues

a. CAA Consultation on airspace change

The Group considered a paper by the Secretary and Technical Adviser which identified a number of key issues which the Group might wish to consider. In discussion among other points, it was noted that there needed to be further guidance on the transitional arrangements and the length of time the proposed new process would require. It was agreed that the Secretary and Technical Adviser would prepare a draft EIG response which would be circulated for comment

b. RNP 1 trial

The Airport Management Team advised that the airport had been given a national sustainability award in recognition of the work. The AMT acknowledged the active role that the Group had played in the development of the trial

It was noted that Ryanair had still yet to participate in the trial. Whilst the airline had indicated its wish to participate, the necessary authorisations had not been issued by the Irish aeronautical authorities. It was agreed that the Chairman might write to the IAA in order

8. Night Flights Regime

It was noted that the Department for Transport (DfT) had organised focus group meetings to review evidence to be used in setting night flights restrictions for Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted Airports to replace the current scheme which ran until October 2017. The Stansted group would be held at 10am on Friday 10th June at DfT's offices. The scope of the meeting would be restricted to the evidence base and the DfT did not intend at this stage to discuss options. STACC would be represented at the focus group meeting.

9. Date of Next Meeting

27 July 2016