

STANSTED AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

NOTE OF MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES GROUP HELD AT STANSTED AIRPORT ON 26 JULY 2017

ATTENDEES

Keith Artus (Chairman)

Jackie Cheetham

Danny Purton

Hylton Johnson

Steve Bailes

Shena Wining

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

Apologies had been received from Richard Burrett, Graham McAndrew and Jackie Cheetham

2. Notes of previous meeting

The Group confirmed the notes of the meeting held on 24 May. The notes had been received and endorsed at the STACC meeting on 28 June 2017.

3. Low Carbon Infrastructure Needs

The Group received a helpful and informative presentation from the AMT as to the action the airport was taking on low carbon.(presentation attached) As part of an assessment study, a review was being conducted of airside operations. This included the scope for use of electric vehicles. STAL were liaising with key energy providers to consider implications. The Group welcomed the presentation and requested that STAL provide a further update at the next meeting in November.

4. PBN trials

At the previous meetings, it had been agreed that the AMT should produce an initial paper on the BZD options. The AMT introduced a paper showing options. It was agreed that it was important to engage with the local authorities and communities likely to be affected by the trials. In particular contact should be made with East Herts Council. This would allow for further discussion before detailed design work was commissioned. It was also important that an early meeting should be arranged with the CAA and a timeline established. It was agreed that the AMT would contact the CAA.

5. Ryanair participation in Trials

The Group regretted that the Irish Aeronautical Authorities had still not yet issued the Irish airline with the necessary authorisation to effect their participation in the trials. Consideration would need to be given to what further steps could be taken.

6. Dover/Clacton route

As agreed the STACC Chairman had written to the CAA to help inform its Post Implementation Review of the airspace change. An unsatisfactory reply had now been received suggesting that there would be no reversal of the decision to switch traffic from the Dover to the Clacton route. The EIG Chairman had also provided an update to the local parish councils. It was agreed that the Group should pursue this issue with the CAA focusing on whether the airspace change had in fact achieved its stated objectives. It was clear from the adverse reaction of the local communities that the change and they were suffering from increased overflight and aircraft noise.

7. Night Flights Regime

The Department for Transport had announced its decision on the next night flights regime. The decision did not take into account any of the points submit-

ted to the Group's consultation response. It was agreed that the Group should respond to the Department.

8. CAA Airspace policy consultation

At agreed at the previous meeting the Secretary and Technical Adviser had submitted a response to the CAA.

9. Annual Work Programme (AWP)

Members had a preliminary discussion as to priorities for the 2017/18 AWP. Possible items might include conducting research on the height of departing aircraft; considering whether the current infringement criteria should be reviewed and the effect on air quality as surface transport access increased in line with the planned growth of the airport. It was agreed that the Secretary should prepare a draft programme

10. EIG research project

The Chairman reported that he had had some initial discussions aimed at developing a viable project focussing on benchmarking the airport against both other airports and non aviation comparators. He would report further to the next meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting

29 November 2017