

HEATHROW AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

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Members of the Committee are requested to attend a meeting of the **HEATHROW AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE** to be held at the **HEATHROW ACADEMY 1, 2 & 3** commencing at **2.00 p.m. on WEDNESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2010.**

Members who have nominated deputies and who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify their deputy, who will also have received the agenda and papers, and to inform the HACC office.

PRESS: Representatives of the Press have been invited on the understanding that the Committee reserves the right to exclude such representatives during the discussion of any particular matter.

SPECIAL NOTE: BUFFET LUNCH

Please note that a buffet lunch has been arranged for **members of the Committee from 1:00 p.m. in the Atrium at the Heathrow Academy.**

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 4th August 2010 (*previously circulated*).

3. MATTERS ARISING

- (a) Minute 4361 – Establish when AEA Technology Report on Air Quality during closure of airport due to volcanic ash available (Public Affairs). Update Actioned.
- (b) Minute 4375 – Provide Secretary with a copy of report on low and high level noise following on from ANASE (Frank Evans). Update Actioned.
- (c) Minute 4375 – DfT and Defra to discuss airport stakeholder event on Noise Action Plans (Frank Evans).
- (d) Minute 4377 – Establish dates of public consultation late Autumn 2010/early 2011 for BAA Community Noise Insulation Programme (Mike Forster). Update Actioned.
- (e) Minute 4377 – Establish actual percentage that a saving of 100,000 tonnes of Co2 equates to (Mike Forster). Actioned.
- (f) Minute 4378 – For future stat reports also include true 'TEAM' figures (Public Affairs). Actioned.
- (g) Minute 4379 – Investigate DfT involvement for motorists to switch off engines in traffic jams to save on emissions (Frank Evans).

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Anticipated Timing - 2.10 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.

4. REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARIAT

2.15 p.m. to 2.35 p.m.

5. HEATHROW MANAGEMENT MATTERS

- (a) Dialogue with Mr. Nick Cullen, Chief Operating Officer of Heathrow Airport.
- (b) BAA Heathrow Update and Statistical Information (*to follow*).

2.35 p.m. to 2.55 p.m.

6. AIR QUALITY AT HEATHROW

Presentation by David Vowles, BAA Air Quality & Noise Policy Manager on the Air Quality at Heathrow and LHR Emissions Inventory 2008-2009.

2.55 p.m. to 3.10 p.m.

7. GUIDELINES FOR AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

The Department for Transport has undertaken a review of the Guidelines for Airport Consultative Committees with a view to issuing a revised version later this year or early next. This work has been helpfully assisted by valuable input from representatives of the Member Committees at the Annual Conference of the UKACCs held at London City Airport on 2nd/3rd June 2010.

Since then the Government has announced its decision not to extend Passenger Focus' remit to passenger representation in aviation and has said, that it instead, wished to make existing arrangements for passenger representation work better. It is believed that the Consultative Committees, especially those with Passenger Services Committees, could play an important role in helping to take this work forward. Consideration is therefore being given on how to make better use of existing arrangements, and in particular, the future role of Airport Consultative Committees.

As a first step, the CAA has been developing some suggested best practice Guidelines for passenger representation, which have evolved from its work on the passenger experience at Heathrow. A discussion paper has been produced on what these Guidelines might contain, which is (*enclosed*). It is envisaged that these best practice principles once agreed, would be incorporated in the revised Guidelines.

A meeting is to be arranged between the DfT and the UKACCs delegation of airports, particularly those with Passenger Services Committees to discuss these issues. A report on the outcome of this will be put to the Committee at the next HACC meeting.

The HACC Adviser's Report (**HACC 570**) (*enclosed*) on passenger representation was pre-circulated to the members in advance of this formal agenda and papers for comment.

3.10 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.

8. HEATHROW OPERATIONS

The Department for Transport has published a Written Ministerial Statement on Heathrow operating procedures covering runway alternation, westerly preference and the Cranford Agreement (*enclosed*).

3.15 p.m. to 3.20 p.m.

9. SATELLITE-BASED APPROACHES

This type of approach is currently being trialled at Manchester Airport and discussions continue between the CAA and NATS on the detailed scope of safety assurance requirements. Letter from the UKACCs to the CAA regarding the timescale for the proposed introduction of satellite-based approaches for airports and their response is (*enclosed*).

3.20 p.m. to 3.25 p.m.

10. INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING COMMISSION - PUBLIC INQUIRIES

At the Annual Meeting of UK Airport Consultative Committees held at London City Airport on the 2nd/3rd June 2010, it was agreed that the Chairman, John Adshead, should resubmit to the present Government a paper on public inquiries which he drew up some years ago.

This was actioned and a copy of his letter and original paper was sent to the Rt. Hon Eric Pickles MP, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government (*enclosed*).

A response has now been received from Bob Neill MP, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State and is also (*enclosed*) for your information.

3.25 p.m. to 3.35 p.m.

11. REPORT FROM THE AIR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS BRANCH (AAIB) ON TWO AIRCRAFT IN 'NEAR-MISS' OVER LONDON

On 27th July 2009, a business jet taking off from London City Airport came close to a mid-air collision with a Turkish Airlines passenger aeroplane descending towards Heathrow Airport.

The incident last year, highlighted the potential for human error to cause disaster, where aeroplanes leaving London City Airport routinely cross the flight path of incoming Heathrow-bound aircraft.

The AAIB study described the 'near-miss' over London as a 'serious incident', the report of which is (*enclosed*).

3.35 p.m. to 3.45 p.m.

12. GREAT BRITAIN LAUNCHES SOUTH EAST AIRPORTS TASKFORCE

The Terms of Reference and Minutes of the first meeting of the South East Airports Taskforce, a new group tasked with improving operations in the major South East airports with the initial focus on Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted are (*enclosed*).

3.45 p.m. to 3.55 p.m.

13. PASSENGER SERVICES SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Passenger Services Sub-Committee meeting held on 4th August 2010 (*previously circulated*).

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

3.55 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Applications for the Heathrow Ward of the London Borough of Hillingdon for July and August 2010 (*enclosed*).

4.00 p.m. to 4.05 p.m.

15. NEWS RELEASES

(a) BAA July and August 2010 Traffic Figures (*enclosed*).

(b) AERBT: Air Transport Users Council (*enclosed*).

(c) IATA: Airport Slots - The Building Blocks of Air Travel (*enclosed*).

(d) Telegraph: Victory for Heathrow campaigners as ministers block extra flights and third runway (*enclosed*).

(e) Department for Transport - Statement by Theresa Villiers: Heathrow Operations (*enclosed*).

(f) Written Parliamentary Answers - Transport: Heathrow Airport: Night Flying (*enclosed*).

(g) News @ UK Airports: Transport Minister again rules out Heathrow 'mixed mode' (*enclosed*).

(h) BAR September News: (*enclosed*).

(j) Telegraph: Air Passenger Duty: unfair, unclear and economically damaging (*enclosed*).

(k) CAA: Punctuality of UK Flights Deteriorates in the Second Quarter of 2010 (*enclosed*).

(l) Travel Trade Gazette: Laser pen warning: 'Dazzling' offences on the rise (*enclosed*).

(m) Medical News Today: Airport X-Ray Scanners Should Not Be A Barrier To Air Travel (*enclosed*).

4.05 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members are reminded that, where possible, the Chairman should be informed of any items for 'Any Other Business' in advance of the meeting.

Meeting Anticipated to close at 4.15 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 8th DECEMBER 2010 (SEMINAR)

DATES OF 2011 MEETINGS:

WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY 2011

WEDNESDAY 30th MARCH 2011

WEDNESDAY 25th MAY 2011

WEDNESDAY 27th JULY 2011

WEDNESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2011

WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER 2011 (SEMINAR)