

SOUTHAMPTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE
COMMITTEE

Friday, 16 June 2017 (2:00 pm – 3:10 pm)

Godfrey Olson (Chairman)
Councillor David Airey (Vice-Chair)
Richard Ward (Hon Secretary)

Members Present:

Councillor Janice Asman	West End Parish Council
Councillor Roger Huxstep	Hampshire County Council
Councillor Sharon Mintoff	Southampton City Council
Councillor J S Neal	Test Valley Borough Council
Councillor Frank Pearson	Winchester City Council
Councillor Anne Winstanley	Eastleigh Borough Council
Councillor Sue Toher	Bishopstoke Parish Council
Councillor Spiros Vassiliou	Southampton City Council
Dave Lees	Southampton International Airport
Diane Sebon	Townhill Park Residents Association
Mr G Wilkinson	Southampton Action for Access

Deputies Present:

Bryan Jezeph	Hampshire Chamber of Commerce
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In Attendance:

Eastleigh Borough Council
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Apologies:

Councillor S Barnes-Andrews	Southampton City Council
Councillor Jan Warwick	Winchester City Council
Stewart Dunn	Hampshire Chamber of Commerce
Steve Brine MP	Winchester Parliamentary constituency
Royston Smith MP	Southampton Itchen
Malcolm Pain	Bitterne Park Residents' Association

8. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR 2017/18

Godfrey Olson was elected as Chair for 2017-2018.

9. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR 2017/18

Councillor David Airey was elected to the role of Vice Chair for 2017-2018.

10. APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY SECRETARY 2017/18

Richard Ward was elected as an Honorary Secretary to the Chair for 2017 - 2018.

11. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 10 February 2017 be confirmed and signed as a true record.

12. AIRPORT MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Managing Director of Southampton Airport International Limited – Dave Lees, delivered a report which was previously circulated with the Agenda. Between January and April 2017, passenger numbers saw a 12.8% increase on the same period in 2016.

The first quarter of 2017 presented a 14% increase of Total Air Movements compared to the same period in the previous year.

Two new routes commenced from current summer - a route to Ibiza with Volotea and a route with Eastern Airways to Rodez in the south of France . Southampton Airport celebrated the first anniversary of bmi regional operating from the airport. Southampton Airport had surpassed the 2 million passengers in a rolling year mark. Between May 2016 and April 2017 the airport welcomed 2,029,873 passengers.

Guernsey's Airline – Aurigny had now retired the Trilander aircraft.

A new Airline – Powdair would be flying to Switzerland as of December 2017. It would be targeting ski-holiday makers.

There were no reports of Vortex.

This year's charitable event – Runway Run would once again raise money for Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance. It is believed that the runway run is the largest of its kind in the United Kingdom.

The Airport was once again invited to support the Big Interview at Bitterne Park School. Southampton Airport team helped with some mock interviews designed to prepare students of the Year 10 classes for life after finishing school.

Work had also been undertaken by members of the Airport team in Frogs Copse to the South of the Airport to improve the local parkland.

There was good development on social media including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and blog.

The Vice Chair was very pleased about the number of passengers in this year's first quarter and wanted to know how the Flybe hub system was operating.

The Managing Director explained that the hub connected various locations. Southampton was a point of connecting regional airports in the UK with the regional airports in France. The forthcoming peak summer season would prove how successful the scheme was.

The Chair congratulated the Airport on reaching great passenger numbers and also thanked all the Airport staff who went out of their line of duty to help passengers.

13. NOISE ACTION PLAN

The Noise Action Plan was designed to aid SIAL to minimise impact of air

traffic noise on the neighbourhood area.

There were a total of three complaints between January and April 2017.

There were around 3000 Aircraft Movements per month and there was roughly one noise complaint per that number.

Volume of complaints had gone down from around 750 in 2000-2004 when the Airport saw rapid expansion to current low numbers.

14. MONITORING OF THE FLYING CONTROLS AGREEMENT

This report summarised the statistics of operational activity at Southampton Airport provided by Southampton Airport in accordance with the Flying Controls Agreement between the owners of the airport and the Borough Council. The report also compared the figures with those for the previous year.

15. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FEEDBACK

The minutes of the most recent meeting of the Technical Working Group were circulated to members with the Agenda, and were noted at the meeting.

16. NOISE CONTOURS FOR 2016

The 2016 and 2015 summer Noise Contours were very similar, however they did show some limited increases as a result of the increase in air transport movements, and the prevalence of Departures to the South as a result of an increased prevalence of South Westerly winds in the year.

17. LASER AND DRONE UPDATES

There were several high level incidents across the county. In Southampton there were three laser incidents. All three were reported to the police but they were not serious.

There were four drone incidents in Southampton area and they were all difficult to investigate as most pilots had to recall the location of drone sighting after landing.

18. REPORT FROM UKACCS CONFERENCE GLASGOW 2017

Vice Chair , Councillor David Airey, attended a two day conference of the Liaison Group of UK Airport Consultative Committees – UKACCS.

UKACCS brings together 23 airport consultative committees (ACCs) from the UK's largest airports to discuss matters of common interest and to share best practice and concerns. UKACCS organised an annual conference where the Chairmen and Secretaries of the Airport Consultative Committees (ACCs) of the larger UK airports met annually to share experience and to discuss matters of common interest. The Annual Meetings were hosted by a different airport each year.

Main issues discussed at the conference included:

- Presentation about the past, present and future of Glasgow Airport

- Presentation from Tim May, Head of Airspace and Noise Policy at the DfT on the Government's recent consultations (National Policy Consultation, Consultation on drones).
- Regional communication and inclusion
- Aviation Policy
- Pressure Groups
- Raising the profile of ACCs

Next year's conference will be hosted by Heathrow.
Annual Conference report was produced by the Vice-Chair and circulated to members.

Once the official minutes from the conference were ready they would be circulated to the committee.

19. COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

The Chair, Godfrey Olson asked the Members of the Committee if it would be a valid suggestion to ask the Border Agency to attend the meeting of Airport Consultative Committee on an annual basis. Members of the Committee agreed.

RESOLVED – That the Border Agency representative be invited to attend the Airport Consultative Committee on an annual basis.

20. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on 13.10.2017.

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