



Technical Working Group Meeting Friday 27 May 2022 – via Teams

Attended by: Cllr Janice Asman Eastleigh Borough Council
Neil Scott Eastleigh Borough Council
Abby Toms Winchester City Council
Steve Szalay SIAL
Steve Thurston SIAL
Nigel Spence SIAL
Julie Stirling SIAL (notes)

Apologies: David Ingram Winchester City Council

1. Notes of previous meeting and matters raised

- Actions from the previous meeting:
 - Steve Szalay to update the Terms of Reference for the TWG – Completed.
 - Steve Szalay to provide a timeline for Airspace Change – will be shown in this meeting. Completed.

2. Terms of Reference - SS

- SS outlined the ToRs.
- ST noted that as the Freeport was out of scope of the airport. The Freeport would not be included on the TWG agenda.
 - AT asked for a contact regarding membership of the ACC. This is Laura Johnston, Democratic Services Manager at EBC.
 - NSc added that the TWG responds to queries from the ACC regarding environmental matters which include the Noise Action Plan and air pollution.
 - SS outlined the OD's update that would be given at the ACC meeting.

3. Airspace Change - NSp

- Stakeholder engagement meetings exploring designs being held at end of June. JA noted that she would be attending. It was suggested that the new ACC Chair/Vice-chair be invited.
- Consultation for part 2 will be conducted in 2023. Main change will take place 2026/27.
- SS showed airspace change timeline. AT asked if this had been sent to parish councils?

Action: SS to provide stakeholder list of those included in engagement for airspace change.

4. Noise - NSp

SIAL was currently three months into a six-month trial with consultation company Trax undertaking the noise complaints and statistics.

For the period 1 January to 21 May 2022

- No night flights; helicopter and training flights well within permitted limits.
- Noise complaints: 180 complaints were received from 38 households. 7 households were in Bitterne Park. 1 household here accounted for 53% of complaints. 93% of complaints were from the south and 7% from the north. AT requested an explanatory note to say what areas are covered to the north.

Action: NSp to provide a more detailed area map to assist in understanding where noise complaints were made.

It was suggested to supply wind direction data for the ACC, as some years deviated more from the

prevailing south westerly direction than others.

Of the complaints, three aircraft did not comply with the noise action plan. One was caused by a commercial airline, the other two by smaller aircraft.

Non-compliance was discussed. This is being explored and should be at an AGS Group level for all airports. NSc noted it would be ideal to have a non-compliance framework.

- NSc asked how the relationship with Trax works. NSp explained that all complaints are received via the SOU Noise Complaints email address. Trax have an agreement to respond within 3 working days. They interrogate infringements of noise preferred routes and contact airlines/aircraft if any infringements are known. Still managed overall by SIAL. NSc questioned the response time of three days and asked if this could be earlier? NSp explained that the response time was tight as is. JA queried the training flights. NSp explained these flights were not infringing as they were orbiting which were not movements. It was difficult for them to find other areas of controlled airspace and these were predominantly crews training as pilots rather than pleasure flights.

5. Environmental Issues

Will cover Sustainability and Air Pollution at future meetings.

6. Project Sun, Runway extension - ST

- Judicial Review was held in the High Court on 27/28 April 2022. On 23 May the judge turned down all four grounds with claimants' immediate appeal refused. Claimants have until 13 June to appeal. If claimant does not proceed with an appeal, SIAL is able to start the runway extension.

- The Southern Water foul main is to be relocated first, with runway works planned for the year end.

- Section 106 will be addressed before the start and once the ability to proceed is known, the plan will be shared with this group and with the Airport Consultative Committee.

- Solent Freeport overall – final business case has been submitted. The Navigator Quarter comprises of airport, Network Rail and Diaggio Pension Trust land, with a site-specific agreement for all three. There were concerns with the Diaggio land around existing tenants, however SIAL and Network Rail would still proceed. There is a focus on bringing the link road forwards to enable access to the land. This will swing over Wide Lane and continue past the northern end of the runway. Chickenhall link road will be delivered at a later date. ST clarified that a tax site is an enterprise area allowing a local authority to use retained rates for infrastructure improvement in a Freeport.

7. Items for the ACC agenda

- Operations Director's Report, Steve Szalay

- Air Space Change, Nigel Spence

- Noise, Nigel Spence

- Environment/Sustainability update, Steve Szalay

- Runway Application Judicial Review update, Steve Thurston

- Section 106 Agreement update, Steve Thurston

8. Any other business

- Reports from other working groups to be formed.

Date of the next meeting: Friday 23 September 2022, 14:00