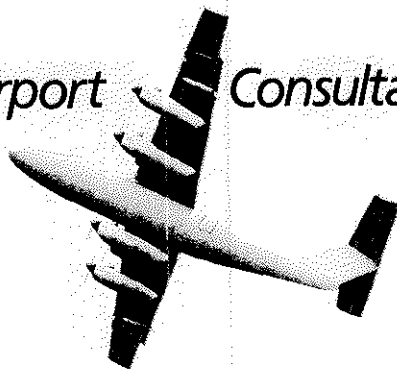


# London City Airport Consultative Committee



MINUTE of the meeting held on Wednesday 25th May, 1988 at London City Airport

PRESENT	John Adshead	Chair
	Stuart Innes	Hon. Secretary
	Dru Vesty	LDDC
	John Douthwaite	LCY
	Bill Lindsell	John Mowlem & Co PLC
	Jonathan Wilson	London City Airways
	Capt. Peter Mitchell	London City Airways
	Tony Auld	Brymon Airways
	Graham Hall	PLA
	Clive Arrow	PLA
	Cllr. Julie Garfield	LBN
	Mike Heraty	LBN
	Bert Pile	Northside TA
	Ann Batchelor	Thameside TA
	Bill Dunlop	Andrew Street TA
	Alan Turner	DBC
	David Reynolds	Guild of Business Travel Agents
	Roy Featherstone	ABTA
	Anne Jerney	London Chamber of Commerce
IN ATTENDANCE	Dianne Sutton	LDDC

1. MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 27TH APRIL, 1988.

Agreed

2. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Noise Insulation

At the request of the Committee, the Hon. Secretary had written to John Douthwaite regarding the letter sent to local residents. His reply had been appended to the Agenda papers. It was reported that Mowlem's lawyers had yet to respond to the London Borough of Newham. They had been urged to do so with all speed.

At the request of the Committee, the Hon. Secretary had written to all parties to the Section 52 Agreement urging a speedy resolution to the noise insulation problem. Replies had been received from the Airport, the LDDC and the PLA, and appended to the Agenda papers. A reply from the London Borough of Newham had been wrongly delivered to the Airport that day. Mr. Heraty tabled copies of the letter for the information of Members. The Committee noted that a meeting had been arranged between all parties to the Agreement to discuss the studies now available.

In response to a query by Cllr. Garfield John Douthwaite re-iterated that any additional costs incurred in providing noise insulation facilities to a different standard to the agreed specification would need to be shared with other parties to the Section 52 Agreement. In this connection Cllr. Garfield asked how much money the Airport owed to the London Borough of Newham in rates. Bill Lindsell undertook to investigate a claim by Cllr. Garfield that substantial sums were outstanding.

[ACTION - BL]

Cllr. Garfield had been asked by Mr. & Mrs. Francis, to request those responsible to remove the secondary glazing from their flat. Mowlems undertook to contact the London Borough of Newham about this.

[ACTION - BL/MH]

(b) Security Fencing

John Douthwaite reported that work had now started to make the perimeter fencing arrangements more secure. Ann Batchelor asked how long these works would take. John Douthwaite undertook to obtain a statement from the Contractor and would communicate direct with Ann.

[ACTION - JD]

The Hon. Secretary had written to London Underground regarding the tube network maps, but had received no reply to date. Jonathan Wilson had also written to London Underground who had declined put the Airport on their maps. He would be meeting with the Marketing Manager of London Underground and would keep the Committee informed of progress. (SECRETARY'S NOTE: reply now received copy attached)

There had been no reply to date from the DTp regarding the congestion on the A13 at Salmon Lane.

3. PLANNING APPLICATION FOR DEMONSTRATION OF THE BAe 146

Cllr. Garfield referred to a public meeting earlier in the week when it had been agreed to oppose the application for the demonstration flights. She said a Public Inquiry should be held, but the Chairman said this could only be arranged if the LDDC refused the application or if the Secretary of State decided to "call-in" the application. Bearing in mind this application referred to a temporary permission only, it seemed unlikely the Secretary of State would do this.

Bert Pile wished to report that he had received complaints that London City Airways planes were noisier than those of Brymon Airways. Both Cllr. Garfield and Ann Batchelor said they had received similar complaints. There was a suspicion that the aircraft were being operated more noisily to make the BAe 146 appear quieter.

Jonathan Wilson explained that the aircraft used by both operators were essentially identical, and he could not think of any reason why there should be a difference. It was reported that because of air traffic control problems there are occasions when aircraft experience delays at the runway threshold prior to take-off. Capt. Mitchell reported that summer schedules were now operational, and explained the flow control measures now in force at the Airport.

Cllr. Garfield asked whether the airlines were still only using two engines for taxiing. She was informed that they did, but there could be instances where aircraft were experiencing delays in obtaining take off clearance stood at the threshold with all four engines running. It was also reported that London City Airways had more activity at weekends due to charter flights.

Bill Dunlop said he supported the planning application for the demonstration.

Alan Turner likewise supported the planning application, although he was aware of the need to maintain environmental standards. If planning permission were granted it would enable people to judge the differences between aircraft in-situ.

David Reynolds also supported the application.

Ann Batchelor asked it to be recorded that she would abstain from voting as she felt any vote cast would be a personal one. It was noted that the Corporation would also abstain.

The PLA had written to the Corporation supporting the application on the basis that the aircraft should be objectively tested.

The Chairman asked whether the Committee should recommend to the Corporation that planning permission should be given for the demonstration take-offs and landings. A vote was taken. Of the votes cast 12 were for the motion, 2 against, and three abstentions. The motion was CARRIED.

4. REVIEW OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION

The Hon. Secretary gave an overview of the discussions held at previous meetings. As the next meeting would be the last of the current year, he felt that Community representation should be clarified for the year 1988/89. As considerable disquiet had been expressed as to how the seats had been allocated did the Committee wish the present arrangements to stand? Neither the Corporation nor the London Borough of Newham wished to impose a decision upon the communities as to how they should be represented.

The Chairman suggested that the London Borough might assist by holding a meeting of the present representatives to discuss the matter. The Hon. Secretary and the London Borough of Newham would liaise with regard to such a meeting.

[ACTION - MH/SWI]

5. RENOMINATION OF MEMBERS

The Hon. Secretary would write to all the agencies represented on the Committee (except community groups) inviting nominations for the forthcoming year.

6. AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Airport Director provided a copy of LBL's Newsletter regarding the route 276. Copies are appended hereto.

The Riverbus service had been introduced with an hourly service at 33 minutes past the hour. Members might like to experience the service and complimentary tickets would be issued via the Committee's Secretariat. Cllr. Garfield asked whether the service was operational at weekends. She was advised it was a weekday service only. She asked whether the Airport might liaise with the Chairman of Barnwood Court to offer the mainly elderly residents a chance to have a trip over a weekend. John Douthwaite agreed to do so.

[ACTION - JD]

The London City Airways Amsterdam service had been introduced. There was a possibility that City Wings would introduce a Rotterdam service.

There had been two further trial landings by the Dornier 228.

Two emergency landings by police helicopters had taken place, but the Airport Director stressed that this should not to be taken as the beginning of regular landings.

There had also been an incident last Saturday afternoon during a training exercise of Fire Crews. There had been a blow-back during a controlled fire. This had been properly and professionally handled by the Fire Crews.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Garfield had been asked by Mrs. E. Baxton of Constance Street to request investigation of the loss of television pictures when aircraft take off and land. John Douthwaite would investigate.

[ACTION - JD]

The Hon. Secretary had written to NATS regarding an item published in "Flight International" about the reorganisation of the London Terminal Manoeuvring Area. NATS had offered to make a presentation to the next Committee meeting if Members so desired. It was AGREED that NATS should be invited to attend.

The Chairman and the Hon. Secretary would be attending the Annual Conference of Airport Consultative Committees on Friday 3rd June.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6th July, 1988 [YEAR END]