

London City Airport Consultative Committee



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MINUTE of the meeting of the London City Airport Consultative Committee held on Wednesday 8th May 1991 at 7.00pm in the Board Room at London City Airport.

Present:

John Adshead
Stuart Innes
Bruce Unsted
Tony Auld
Jay Pabla
Cpt Andrew Hill
Graham Hall
David Simpson
Colin Silver
Alan Taylor
David Bain
Simon Vincent
Mrs Duffy
Bill Dunlop
Dave Cooper

Chair
Honorary Secretary
Deputy Airport Director
Brymon Airways
London Chamber of Commerce
British Midland Airways
Port of London Authority
LDDC
ABTA
SOCATACH Community Forum
West Silvertown Area Team
Beckton Area Team
North Woolwich Area Team
Andrews Street Tenants and Residents Association
Thameside Tenants & Residents Association

Apologies:

Lewis Moss
Jeff Mendham
William T Charnock

LDDC
Port of London Authority
London City Airport

Robert Hardless

Brymon Airways

1. **Welcome to new members.**

- i) The Chair welcomed the new community representative members of the committee. It was agreed to request the Beckton and North Woolwich and Silvertown Area Teams to appoint deputies to attend in the event of the nominated representatives being unable to do so.
- ii) The Committee noted the departure of Brymon's representative Robert Hardless and that one of British Midland's representatives would be Captain Wisley.

2. **The MINUTE of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th March was approved.**

3. **MATTERS ARISING**

a) Item 4 - Blackwall Tunnel Closure

The Committee noted the exchange of correspondence with the Minister for Public Transport, Mr Freeman. The Honorary Secretary reported that the traffic congestion had apparently been less severe at subsequent weekends than on the first weekend of works to the Tunnel. Mrs Duffy highlighted the problems faced by residents in the North Woolwich area particularly at the junction of Albert Road and Pier Road. The Committee noted that as the junction is outside the North Woolwich Police Station, police assistance ought to be available should similar situations arise in the future. The Committee agreed to request John Johnson to raise the issue with Inspector Parlett. [Action JJ]

b) Item 4 - North Woolwich Line

The Committee noted the exchange of correspondence with Network SouthEast. Bill Dunlop reported that services on the line continued to be erratic.

c) Item 7 - Proposed Sludge Incinerator Plant

The Committee noted that Thames Water plc intended to consult locally on the proposal between April and June prior to the submission of a formal planning application to be submitted in August/September. The Committee further noted that LBN would be holding a public meeting on the 14th May at which Thames Water would make a presentation.

The Committee agreed to request Thames Water to make a presentation of the proposals to the next meeting of the Consultative Committee.

4. **AIRPORT DIRECTORS REPORT**

The Airport Director continues to press the Transport Ministry regarding road problems on the A13, and in particular the latest bottle neck at the intersection of East and West India Dock Roads, which has resulted in single line carriageways on both sides of the A13.

The incidence of damage and theft from cars in the Airport's car parks has declined sharply following action by the Airport Staff which resulted in the Police apprehending a gang of car thieves.

The Airport's Emergency Exercise "Moonlight" which was held on 23rd April, was successful in that the action taken to overcome problems highlighted at a previous exercise resulted in an improved performance. The Fire, Police and Ambulance services all participated and the Ambulance helicopter was involved simulating the transfer of seriously injured to hospital.

4.1 Bill Dunlop expressed his concern regarding difficulties experienced in seeking to organise a charter trip for approximately 50 local people. In his view the Airline operators had become less responsive to the needs of the local community and less willing to provide benefits and a service for local people. On behalf of Brymon, Tony Auld explained that he had not been directly contracted and did not therefore have any information concerning the particular incident. Whilst the Airline operators sought to assist where possible the Airlines had to operate on a commercial basis and at the present time, in common with the rest of the industry, they faced difficult economic constraints.

5. **CWS MILL - PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF SILO - PLANNING APPLICATION**

The Committee noted the proposals for the demolition of the CWS silo.

6. **APPROACH LIGHTING**

The Committee noted the proposals for the installation of new approach lighting when the runway is extended.

7. **LDDC BROCHURE**

The Honorary Secretary circulated copies of an LDDC marketing brochure and fact sheets for the Royal Docks. The contents of which were noted and welcomed by the Committee.

8. **TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON ACCESS ROADS**

The Committee received a copy of the LDDC's "Keep the Traffic Moving" publication.

9. **LDDC RE-ORGANISATION**

The Honorary Secretary informed the Committee of the changes occasioned by the management re-organisation of the LDDC. The Committee asked for an organisation chart for the Corporation as soon as one is produced.

10. **ANNUAL LIAISON MEETING OF ACC CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARIES**

The Honorary Secretary informed the Committee that the Annual Liaison Meeting would be held on the 27th/28th June at Stansted Airport. The Chair and Hon. Secretary would be attending.

11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

i) The Deputy Airport Director offered new Committee members an opportunity to tour the Airport.

ii) David Cooper emphasised the importance of the Airport/Airlines maintaining close contact with the local community.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 3rd July 1991 at 7.00pm in the Board Room at London City Airport.

The meeting ended at 9.12pm.

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