

LONDON CITY AIRPORT
AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTE of the inuagural meeting held on Tuesday 30th June, 1987 at London City Airport.

PRESENT	Stuart Innes	LDDC
	Eddie Oliver	LDDC
	John Mills	LDDC
	Ken Lund	LBN
	Stephen Timms	LBN
	John Douthwaite	LCA
	Bill Lindsell	John Mowlem & Co PLC
	Jonathan Wilson	Eurocity Express
	Peter Mitchell	Eurocity Express
	John Humphrey	Brymon Airways
	Graham Hall	PLA
	Clive Arrow	PLA
	Bill Dunlop	Andrew Street TA
	Ann Batchelor	Thameside TA
	Bert Pile	Northside Community Groups
	Alan Turner	Docklands Business Club
	David Senior	London Chamber of Commerce
	Chris Miller	Newham Docklands Forum

IN ATTENDANCE

John Adshead	
Anne Crane	LDDC
Jeff Hennessey	LDDC
Gary Bird	Newham Recorder
Nicholas Hopkins	John Mowlem & Co PLC

APOLOGIES were received from David Reynolds (Guild of Business Travel Agents) and Tony Auld (Brymon Airways).

1. Appointment of Chair

The Steering Group appointed to establish the Committee had recommended that Mr. John Adshead be appointed to Chair these meetings. This was AGREED and Mr. Adshead took the Chair.

2. Appointment of Honorary Secretary

It was AGREED that Stuart Innes would serve as Honorary Secretary for one (1) year. Anne Crane would serve as Minuting Secretary.

3. Membership of Committee

- (a) The arrangements made by the Steering Group for the appointment of a representative of the communities to the north of the airport were APPROVED. Mr. Bert Pile from the Winsor Terrace Tenants Association was welcomed to the Committee as the first representative of these communities.
- (b) It was AGREED that the request submitted by the London Borough of Greenwich for the Council to be allocated one (1) of the GLC seats on the Committee should be accepted.
- (c) The Committee AGREED that Members should consider how best

to fill the other GLC seat and a decision would be taken at the next meeting. The options put forward at the meeting were:-

- London Borough of Tower Hamlets
- Thamesmead
- one of the six Ward Councillors

(d) It was AGREED that all representatives would serve for one (1) year only with the opportunity for re-nomination for everyone except the representative of the community groups to the north of the Airport where the agreed special arrangements applied.

4. Terms of Reference

The expanded terms of reference recommended by the Steering Group were APPROVED - a copy is appended to these Minutes. Arising from the discussion of this item the Secretary was asked to send all Members a full copy of the Section 52 Agreement.

5. Administrative Expenses

The LDDC's offer to meet the expenses of the Committee for the first year was ACCEPTED. Thereafter, the provisions of the Section 52 Agreement would operate.

6. Attendance of Press and Public

It was AGREED that the press would be admitted to all meetings.

After a full discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of admitting the public to meetings, a motion that the public be admitted to the next meeting was DEFEATED by ten (10) votes to six (6). A further motion that a decision on admitting the public to meetings should be deferred for six (6) months was CARRIED by thirteen (13) votes to (1).

The Committee felt it was important that the public should be made fully aware of the role of the Committee and its membership as well as being kept informed of matters arising at the meetings themselves.

7. Report of Airport Director

John Douthwaite's report covered the following matters:-

- i) the first aircraft movements had now taken place;
- ii) the calibration of the navigational aids was now due to start on the following Monday (4th July) with further tests planned for the w/c 22nd July. It was important to emphasise to residents that the plane to be used for the purpose is not a DASH-7;
- iii) concessionaires had now been appointed to provide various terminal services as follows:-
 - Duty Free shop - Allders International
 - Catering - Allied Lyons
 - Banking - Travel EX
 - Tobacconists/Newsagents/Confectioner - Trust House Forte
 - Car Hire - Hertz and Godfrey Davies
 - Hotel Bookings - Concordia
 - Florist - to be appointed

Given the size of the Airport competition for these services within the Airport was not possible. The car hire concessions were the exception to this.

In response to questions the following responses were given:-

- (a) Air fares would be settled by the airlines once landing charges were known.
- (b) Regular noise reports would be made once the Airport opens in October.
- (c) Various options were being considered by Mowlens for the use of the land on the south side of the King George V Dock. Once a firm set of proposals have been agreed, and the land transaction had been completed, these would be publicised. They would also be the subject of a planning application.

8. Double Glazing

The Committee were brought up-to-date on the discussions in progress between the LDDC, John Mowlem & Co and the London Borough of Newham concerning the noise insulation works and residents worries about the current proposals. The Council would be having discussions on these matters with the local action committee later in the week. If no resolution of the problems could be found, the Council would raise the matter again at the next meeting, although it was accepted that ultimate responsibility rested with the signatories to the Section 52 Agreement. A further meeting with the owner occupiers had been arranged for 13th July. Bill Lindsell would send to the Council and to Bill Dunlop copies of his letter confirming that there was now no problem in opening secondary glazed windows. Phase One of the noise insulation work at Drew Road School would be carried out in the holidays to an agreed specification.

9. Airport Jobs

The Duty Crew were just about to complete their fire fighting course at the CAA Fire School at Teeside. Of the eighteen (18) crew, ten (10) were from Newham and four (4) from Barking. The other four (4) live in Romford, Ilford and South Benfleet.

42 more jobs (for secretarial, general services and information staff, maintenance electricians and fitters) would be advertised soon in the agreed manner. More jobs would be advertised in August. The total number of LCA employees would be around 85. A leaflet had recently been delivered to all local residents about jobs at the Airport. Eurocity Express reported that they expect to appoint around 150 people to a variety of jobs. Brymon Airways were at present uncertain about numbers. Both airlines confirmed their commitment as far as possible to employ local people. Like LCA they would be advertising locally. The firms supplying the terminal services had all been informed of the local employment policy and the response appeared to be good. LCA was passing on to the airlines and concessionaries the names of people who had already expressed an interest in a job at the Airport.

10. Drew Road Flats - Entryphone System

The London Borough of Newham explained their concern that the flats would be used as a viewing point for the Airport. The Council AGREED to supply to the LDDC estimates of the cost of installing an entryphone system in both blocks and the Corporation would then consider whether it could offer financial assistance.

LCA would be providing an official viewing point as soon as possible after the opening of the Airport. This would be free but there would be a charge for parking. The terminal facilities would also be open to the public.

11. Any other business

i) Agenda

While Committee Members should feel free to bring up issues at the meetings it would be helpful if wherever possible notice could be given to the Secretary so that the agenda for meetings included as far as possible the issues for discussion.

ii) Possibility of jet aircraft using the Airport

In response to questions, Eurocity Express confirmed that they had no intention of operating the BAe 146 from the Airport without first securing local acceptance of the idea. A new planning permission would in any event be required. At present both airlines and the LCA were concentrating on ensuring that operations using the DASH-7 were a success.

iii) Appendix B - Circulation list

Telephone numbers had been omitted pending confirmation from Committee Members that they could be included (Appendix B attached). David Senior asked that his forename be corrected. It was AGREED that Brian Harris - Press Officer, London Borough of Newham - should be added to the list.

iv) It was AGREED that the Secretary should contact other London Airport Consultative Consultative Committees in order to propose an exchange of papers.

v) Dates of future meetings

It was AGREED that for the present, meetings would take place every six (6) weeks usually on a Wednesday. The suggested programme of dates is as follows:-

12th August, 1987
23rd September, 1987
4th November, 1987
9th December, 1987
20th January, 1988
2nd March, 1988
13th April, 1988
25th May, 1988
6th July, 1988
10th August, 1988
21st September, 1988
2nd November, 1988
14th December, 1988.

APPENDIX A

REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Terms of Reference of the Committee should be to provide an effective forum for the discussion of all matters concerning the development and operation of the aerodrome which have an impact on users of the aerodrome and on people living or working in the surrounding area. It will provide a means of keeping all interested parties adequately informed of matters affecting them and a framework within which to try to reconcile any differences of view that may arise. In particular the Committee will:-

- i) monitor the environmental impact of all aspects of the operation of the aerodrome and advise on operating procedures resulting from such monitoring with a view to minimising noise pollution or other nuisance from whatever source;
- ii) monitor the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement and advise from time to time on the need for any revision thereof;
- iii) discuss and pursue the resolution of complaints from the public.

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