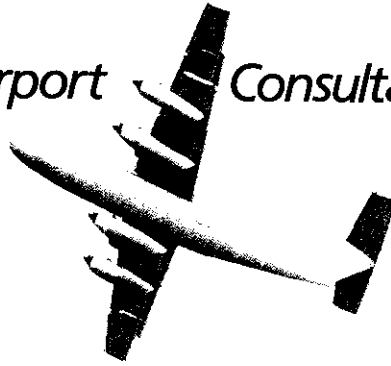


London City Airport Consultative Committee



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c/o London Docklands Dev Corporation
Great Eastern Enterprise
Millharbour
London E14 9TJ

MINUTE of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th November in the Boardroom at London City Airport.

Present:

John Adshead
Stuart Innes
Bill Lindsell
Bruce Unsted
Jonathan Wilson
Tony Auld
Andy Todd
Dru Vesty
Alan Turner
Graham Hall
Jeff Mendham
Robert Simpson
David Senior
Bill Dunlop
Dave Cooper
John Beanman
Noel Edwards
Brian Axon-Boyes

Chair
Honorary Secretary
London City Airport
London City Airport
London City Airways
Brymon Airways
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LDDC
Docklands Business Club
PLA
PLA
LBN
LCCI
Andrew Street Tenants & Res Ass
Thameside Residents & Tenants Ass
Newham Docklands Forum
Beckton Residents Assoc
ABTA

In Attendance :

Ken Ferguson
Peter Handsford
Roy Beard
John Johnson

Docklands Light Railway
Docklands Light Railway
LDDC
LDDC - RODAT

Apologies for Absence :

Cllr Garfield
Lewis Moss

LBN
LDDC

1. PRESENTATION

The meeting received a presentation by Roy Beard and Peter Handsford on the extension of the Docklands Light Railway to Beckton. The initial contracts had been let and it was expected that work on the extension would be completed with the DLR fully operational by 1992. Following the presentation there was a period for questions.

2. MEMBERSHIP

Stuart Innes reported that Captain Mike Dash (London City Airways) and Carlo Engelbert (Flexair) had been appointed to serve as members of the Committee.

3. The MINUTE of the meeting held on 6th September 1989 was approved.

4. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

5. AIRPORT DIRECTORS REPORT

- (a) Passenger Numbers : The number of passengers had continued to increase with over 6,000 in the previous month.
- (b) New Operations : Flexair has opened a service to Rotterdam and Air France, using aircraft operated by Brymon, had opened a route to Lille and Strasbourg.
- (c) Director's Retirement : The Airport Director, Bill Lindsell, will be retiring in February 1990. He will be replaced by Bill Charnock.

6. KEROSENE FUEL ODOURS

It was noted that the concluding paragraph of the Environmental Health Officer's report should be corrected to read : "The amount of pollution emitted operationally is insignificant when compared to other emitters in the locality e.g. road traffic and industry".

Bob Simpson (LBN Environmental Health) said that monitoring had taken place at Drew Road. Advice had been taken from informed sources, including his opposite numbers dealing with Heathrow, and the clear conclusion was that the fuel odours did not present a risk to health.

7. COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION

The Secretary outlined the background to the current representation of the local communities on the Committee and reminded members of their previous discussions on this issue. John Johnson (LDDC - RODAT) described the new Consultation Structure being jointly established for the Royal Docks area by the LDDC and LBN. Following discussion it was agreed that a decision on community representation on the Committee should be deferred for two meetings to enable the new consultation structure to settle in and for its role in representing local people to emerge more clearly.

[ACTION SI]

8. PARKER STREET PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE

Bill Dunlop outlined current problems and the need for improved security to deal with the youngsters who were attracted to the airport via this pedestrian access and had been causing trouble for residents. He believed the Airport should employ security staff to control this entrance particularly for evening and weekend periods.

Bill Lindsell responded that the issue was taken very seriously. Improved lighting was currently being installed. The concerns of the local community were fully understood and he undertook to respond further to Bill Dunlop on what further action it might be possible to take. It was suggested that the DLR might be approached as they had much experience of measures to control vandalism and had been quite successful.

[ACTION BL]

9. AIRPORT PLANNING APPLICATION

It was reported that the planning applications had been "called in" by the Secretary of State for the Environment, who will now decide whether or not planning permission(s) will be granted. Dru Vesty informed the Committee that the LDDC is required to make a statement of case by the 12th December 1989. It was important therefore that responses be made as soon as possible. The deadline for comments on the applications had been extended until the 10th November 1989.

The Chair suggested that it might be inappropriate for the Committee, on a potentially contentious issue of this kind, to seek to express a single view if in practice the members were firmly divided. It might be more appropriate in such a case for individual members of the Committee to respond with their own views as they thought fit and for the Committee, in its response, to seek to reflect the range of views represented in the Committee.

Bob Simpson (LBN) informed the Committee that LBN was continuing with its consultations on the applications and had not yet reached a view.

After discussion it was agreed that the Committee should formally express a view on the applications. After further discussion the motion : "The Committee as at present informed is generally in favour of the applications" was put to the vote. This was passed : 13 for; 1 (Newham Forum) against with 2 abstentions (LBN and LDDC).

[ACTION SI]

10. PLANNING APPLICATION - The North Side of the Royal Victoria Dock (Londondome)

The planning application was discussed. Having checked that the proposed Londondome would not interfere with Airport operations, the Committee agreed to offer their support for the development proposal.

[ACTION SI]

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) London Planning Advisory Committee

The Secretary circulated copies of correspondence from the London Planning Advisory Committee (LPAC) requesting membership of the Committee. After discussion the Committee agreed that the issue be re-considered at the January meeting. It was further agreed that LPAC be informed of this.

[ACTION SI]

(b) Royals Transport Bulletin

Copies of the Bulletin were circulated to the Committee. Jonathan Wilson raised the question of the Connaught Crossing and its phasing with other transport infrastructure. Dru Vesty undertook to provide the Committee with more detailed information on the crossing and related access.

[ACTION DV]

(c) Surface Water Drainage

Bill Lindsell reported that surface water of the Airport is now being discharged into the LDDC's sewerage system.

11. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 10th January 1990 in the Boardroom at London City Airport. The meeting would be preceded by a presentation by H.M. Customs on their local operations.