

NOTICE OF MEETING

Tuesday 9th January 2007

4.30 pm in the Board Room at City Aviation House,
London City Airport



AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** should be notified to the Secretary at 9 Palace Green, Croydon, CR0 9AJ, Telephone: 020 8123 6374 or 01689 843434, Fax: 0208 251 9858, E-Mail: secretary@lcacc.org
2. **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**
 - (a) **London Borough of Tower Hamlets**

The Airport and the London Borough of Newham (LBN) have indicated they have no objection to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets being invited to nominate a representative to serve as a member of the Committee. The Secretary has thus issued an invitation.
 - (b) **Community Representatives**

The LBN has been asked who should be invited to represent the Council at the suggested meeting with the present representatives of the local residential communities to review the means by which the representatives of the local communities are chosen. The meeting will be arranged as soon as a reply is received.
3. **THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD on Monday 3rd October 2006** – previously circulated
4. **MATTER ARISING**
 - (a) **Item 3(a) – Jet Centre – Blast from Engines**

The Airport will update the Committee.
 - (b) **Item 3(b) – Parking in local streets**

The meeting discussed at the last meeting was due to be held in December attended by representatives of the London Borough of Newham, the local Community Forums, the University of East London, DLR and the Airport. However the meeting was postponed to allow for consideration of the issue by Newham’s Mayor and will now be held in the New Year.
 - (c) **Item 3(c) – Airport Master Plan**

As previously notified the final version of the plan was published at the end of November 2006 and a copy can be seen on the Airport’s website¹. As mentioned at the last meeting the Plan includes chapter by chapter details of the comments received and the Airport’s reaction to them.

¹ <http://www.londoncityairport.com/index.php?mode=pages&action=masterplan>

(d) Item 3(e) – Jubilee Line – Automated Passenger Announcement

The Airport will update the Committee.

(e) Item 6(a) – Summer 2006 Noise Contour

The Airport will update the Committee.

(f) Item 9 – Future of Helicopter Operations in London

The Airport will report the response to its discussion document.

(g) Item 11(b) - EU Regulation (EC) No 1107/2006 –people with reduced mobility

The Facilitation Working Group of the *European Civil Aviation Conference* (ECAC) has now adopted Guidelines on Awareness and Disability Equality setting out the general principles recommended for staff dealing directly with the travelling public. They have become a new Annex N to ECAC Document 30 on Facilitation and will serve as guidance for airport staff training. A copy of Annex N can be seen on the website of the Liaison Group of UK Airport Consultative Committees²

5. CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Members have been previously informed of the agreement signed on 11th October 2006 for the sale of the Airport to a consortium comprising the AIG Financial Products Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of American International Group Inc., leaders in insurance and financial services, and Global Infrastructure Partners, an infrastructure joint venture between Credit Suisse and GE Infrastructure. The transaction was subject to EU merger clearance which was given on 24th November and the acquisition was completed on 30th November 2006

6. AIRPORT DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Charles Buchanan will report

7. COMMUNITY REPORT

Elizabeth Hegarty will report. Angeline Barnes will be on maternity leave starting in mid-February and she will be replaced on temporary basis by Elizabeth Hegarty. A temporary replacement for Elizabeth is to be appointed

8. STANDING ITEM ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

The report of the Airport’s Environment & Planning Manager will be tabled at the meeting.

9. NOISE INSULATION PROGRAMME – PART IV

Jonathan Smith will report progress on the implementation of this part of the programme

10. AIRPORT TRANSPORT FORUM (ATF)

There was a meeting of the ATF on 28th November at which the Committee was represented by Bill Dunlop. Several other members were also present representing other organisations. The minutes of the meeting have been circulated to members and copies have been posted to the Committee’s website³ along with the slides used in the presentations given by the Airport and the DLR⁴.

² <http://www.ukaccs.info/ecacprmguidelines.pdf>

³ <http://www.lcacc.org/atf/minutes.html>

⁴ <http://www.lcacc.org/atf/slide.html>

11. LIMITS ON AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENTS – TEMPORARY VARIATION

At the last meeting the Airport Director reported that the Airport had applied to the London Borough of Newham as the local planning authority temporarily to vary the present limits on air transport movements to allow more movements Mondays to Fridays but with a corresponding reduction in the limit on movements on Saturdays and Sundays and during quieter holiday times. The overall annual limit of 73,000 movements would not be changed. The application (06/01310/VAR) can be seen on the Council's website⁵.

On 10th November the Secretary notified members that the Airport's application was to be considered at a meeting of the Council's Development Control Committee on 14th November 2006 and circulated the text of the relevant Agenda item and a copy of the officer's report on the application. Later, however, members were notified that the Airport had been informed that legal advice was required in connection with the application and accordingly that the report would not after all be considered by the Development Control Committee at its November meeting. Information is now awaited about the date on which the application is to be considered - the present indications are that the application might be considered on 10th January 2007 but this has still to be confirmed.

Meanwhile, the Secretary has been in correspondence with the Council's officers concerning consultation on such applications. In spite of a request for information sent to the Council on 5th October, and again on 23rd October, the Committee – a key stakeholder - received no information whatsoever about this application although it would appear from the officers report on the application that more than 600 letters were sent to other interested agencies and individuals. This has attracted an apology from the Council's officer who say they will ensure that future applications go through the Committee either from the Airport or ourselves [i.e. the Council] once planning applications are lodged. The Secretary has responded that as a matter of routine the Council should consult the Committee directly about all applications submitted by the Airport or airport related organisations or which might have a significant impact on airport operations and asked if arrangements can be made for this.

12. ANNUAL MEETING OF AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

A copy of the official minute of this meeting, held at Manchester on 21/22 June 2006, has been circulated to all members. The 2007 Meeting is to be held at Stansted Airport on 13/14 June.

The annual meeting is attended by the Chairmen and Secretaries of committees participating in the Liaison Group of UK Airport Consultative Committees (UKACCs). This is currently made up of the ACCs at the 22 largest UK airports and another four are now eligible to join if they so choose– for more information visit the Group's website⁶

13. PUBLIC SAFETY ZONES - REVIEW

The Department for Transport has indicated that during 2007 it will commence a review of established PSZs. The intention is to begin with those airports which have seen the most significant growth since 1999/2000

14. AIRBUS A318

Among the aircraft currently under consideration for use on routes serving London City Airport is the Airbus A318. This aircraft paid a visit to the Airport for compatibility tests on Saturday 14th May and again on Saturday 29th October 2006 when members were informed

⁵ [Click here to see the application](#)

⁶ <http://www.ukaccs.info/index.html>

of the trials in advance. The aircraft used on the latter occasion was fitted with the latest technology engines and carried 56 tonnes, representative of the load it would take from London City under normal operations - on this basis the Airport would not expect the aircraft to be noisier when carrying passengers and freight in ordinary service.

On 29th October the trials were observed from across the Dock by a group from the Beckton Community Forum. Their verdict was:

“The engineers and designers have successfully developed an aircraft that has more powerful engines, takes more passenger further is therefore bigger and quieter. On our way back we called in to the local corner shop (approx 1000yds away) and asked the owners and customers about the new aircraft noise and they said - what noise?”

There is more information, and pictures, on the Committee’s website⁷.

15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

16. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 3rd April 2007 at 16.30 hours at City Aviation House, London City Airport.

⁷ <http://www.lcacc.org/aircraft/index.html#Possible>