

NOTICE OF MEETING

Tuesday 13th January 2009

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



AGENDA

1. **PRESENTATION - STREETCAR**

Members will recall that the presentation by Streetcar scheduled for the last meeting was postponed because their circumstances had changed and they were no longer in a position to attend the meeting and brief members on the service they provide.

Streetcar have indicated they will be present at this meeting and will brief members on the service they provide.

2. **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

3. **THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2008 – PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED**

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

(a) Item 3(a) - Noise Action Plan

On 1st December 2008 the Secretary circulated to all members copies of the Airport's response to the draft guidance from Defra on how the *Noise Action Plans* (NAP) required by the EU's Environmental Noise Directive (END) should be prepared. The response included a note that the Committee was anxious that the final guidance should be clear in defining "important areas" for the purposes of the NAP. The Committee will in due course find itself engaged in the preparation of the Airport's NAP. The Committee may wish to talk about this at the meeting.

(b) Item 3(b) – Planning applications - informing/consulting local residents

The *Department of Communities and Local Government* has still to respond to the correspondence as to the arrangements which might be made to secure more uniformity in the steps taken to inform and consult residents affected by planning applications which have an impact on more than one local planning authority area. The Secretary will update the Committee.

(c) Item 4 – Airport Staffing

At the last meeting Gary Hodgetts said the Airport would be taking a careful look at how best in future to handle the environmental functions previously carried out by Rob Grafton and Dan Townsend. This would take a couple of months and in the meantime he would take the lead on environmental and aerodrome safeguarding issues with support from the Airport's consultants. Gary will brief the Committee on where the Airport has reached in its review of how best to handle these functions in future.

5. **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

(a) London Borough of Barking and Dagenham

The Council has nominated Tim Martin to serve as its representative as a member of the Committee. Tim is the Council's Principle Transportation Planner.

(b) Guild of British Travel Agents

The Guild has nominated John Williams to serve as its representative as a member of the Committee.

(c) London Development Agency

Jackie Lindre is leaving the LDA and has resigned as a member of the Committee. We will be informed of her replacement.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Members will have received copies of the correspondence with:

- (a) Jim Fitzpatrick MP who forwarded a letter he had received from a resident of Coldharbour on the Isle of Dogs:-

- concerning the late departure of an aircraft on 24th October;
- alleging that the Airport had not complied with its obligations with respect to noise monitoring;
- about the NATS Airspace Change Proposals for Terminal Control North

The same correspondent wrote to a number of members of Newham Council in relation to the late departure of the aircraft on 24th October and the Secretary was in touch with a number of Newham councillors about it.

- (b) the same resident of Coldharbour who wrote to ask how to apply for a position on the LCACC on behalf of the Coldharbour/Blackwall community.

Member will also have received copies of the correspondence received from Newham Council who have been consulting about their proposed Development Control Policy Manual.

Any further correspondence will be circulated or tabled at the meeting.

7. **AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Charles Buchanan will report.

8. **COMMUNITY REPORT**

Elizabeth Hegarty will report.

9. **STANDING ITEM ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

Gary Hodgetts will table the Airport's report.

10. **DLR WOOLWICH EXTENSION PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT**

Ian Thomas of Morgan Est will update the Committee on the progress of this project.

11. **PLANNING APPLICATION**

The Secretary wrote to all members on 9th October confirming that the Airport's application for permission to raise the limit on the number of flights to 120,000 per annum had been considered by the Development Control Committee of the London Borough of Newham the previous evening. The Committee voted 5-1 in favour of the recommendations of their

officers to approve the application. The Council's officers were authorised to discuss with the Airport a s.106 agreement as outlined in the officers reports to the Committee¹ and once this had been agreed and signed the Borough Planning Officer was authorised to grant planning permission.

If permission is granted the new limits on the number of flights will be expressed as limits on all aircraft movements (excluding those for test or training purposes) and not on *air transport movements* as at present.

Since then the Government has indicated it will not be "calling-in" the application for determination by the Secretary of State.

In relation to the s.106 Agreement it is planned to consolidate all existing s. 106 provisions into a single new agreement removing obsolete provisions and updating others. In this connection the Secretary submitted some time ago ideas for the simplification of the provisions relating to the Consultative Committee.

At the last meeting the Airport agreed to take on board in its discussions with the Council about the s.106 agreement the disquiet reported by the Secretary among some members that the proposed *Landscaping and Community Chest* was apparently to be managed by officers of Newham Council. As recorded in the minutes of the last meeting this gives rise to the question whether it is intended that these funds should be spent only in Newham? If not, does Newham Council have the necessary powers to spend such funds outside the Borough's boundaries? What prevents these funds from being channeled on an earmarked basis via the *Isle of Dogs Community Trust*, the *Royal Docks Trust* and *Trust Thamesmead*? If this is not considered appropriate could not consideration be given to the formation of a new and independent charitable body on the lines of the Community Trusts set up for example at Manchester, Birmingham, Stansted and Gatwick Airports.

12. COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION

There has still been no response to the proposals sent to the London Borough of Newham, (and copied to members) on 29th August. Reminders have been sent. The Committee will be updated at the meeting.

13. TRANSPORT FOR LONDON – BUSINESS PLAN

On 7th November the Secretary circulated all members with details of Transport for London's 10 year Business Plan which was launched by the Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, the previous day. The programme will focus on the upgrading of the Tube, building Crossrail, extensions to the DLR and London Overground networks, supporting the 2012 Olympic Games and securing a legacy from them, smoothing traffic flows, improving cycling and walking and providing greater flexibility for London's boroughs to deliver local transport solutions.

The following projects, in which the Committee has in the past shown an interest, are not funded and will not be progressed:

- *Thames Gateway Bridge*: The Mayor says that the objections raised at the public inquiry have always been a concern, particularly the disbenefits to traffic flow. In addition, the funding gap that has now arisen, along with other concerns over location and environmental impact, has compounded the Mayor's view that the proposal is not the right one, particularly in light of the consistent local opposition to the scheme. The Mayor says he has asked Transport for London (TfL) to look again at alternative

¹ There are links to the reports from the [Committee's Agenda which can be seen on the Council's website](#)

options for a much needed new east London river crossing, including a crossing at Silvertown that would be integrated with the Blackwall Tunnel. This would be progressed as part of a wider study to assess, with the boroughs, London Development Agency and Greater London Authority, the long-term transport and land use needs of the London Thames Gateway.

- *East London Transit (ELT) and Greenwich Waterfront Transit (GWT)*: Beyond the completion of the ELT 1a, ELT 1b and GWT 1, projects which are funded in the Plan, no other further phases will be funded. Some of these future phases (ELT2) were planned to support public transport services across TGB. TfL will undertake a wider review as part of the sub-regional analysis working with Boroughs to assess the potential for further transit routes and opportunities for external funding.
- *DLR Dagenham Dock*: Funding has yet to be identified to implement the proposed extension through Barking Riverside to Dagenham Dock which would support the proposed development plans there. The mayor says it is unclear whether the Barking Riverside housing development is a Government priority to 2018.

14. AIRPORT POLICING

Among the new Bills referred to in the Queen's Speech on 3rd December is a Policing and Crime Bill which among other things will introduce measures to "enhance security planning at UK airports". This follows a consultation exercise mounted earlier in the year by the Department of Transport – full details can be seen on their website².

The Airport will update the Committee on the implications of the proposed new measures for London City Airport.

15. OLYMPIC ROUTE NETWORK (ORN) - CONSULTATION

On 15th December the Secretary circulated details of the Department for Transport's present consultation on the roads to be included in the proposed Olympic Route Network (ORN). Once the network is approved the roads will be designated by order of the Secretary of State for Transport under s.11 of the *London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games Act 2006*. There is full information about the Department's proposals on their website³.

The Committee will want to consider whether they wish to submit any comments on the proposals. The deadline for responses is 19th March 2009.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 2nd April 2009 at 16.30 hours at City Aviation House, London City Airport.

² <http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/closed/airportpolicing/>

³ <http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/open/olympicroutenetwork/>