



ROBIN HOOD AIRPORT DONCASTER SHEFFIELD

NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE

3 DECEMBER 2015

PRESENT: A Tolhurst OBE (in the Chair)
Town Councillor S Ball (Maltby Town Council), Councillor R Blake (Doncaster MBC), A Bosmans (FODSA), Parish Councillor C Clayborn (Finningley Parish Council), M Cotterill (Peel Airports Management), Councillor J Cox (Doncaster MBC), Town Councillor A Cropley (Bawtry Town Council), Councillor L Curran (Doncaster MBC), J Davies (Doncaster MBC), Parish Councillor G Hassall (Sub for Blyth Parish Council), Parish Councillor N McCarron (Blaxton Parish Council), K Naylor (Robin Hood Airport), S Racjan (Doncaster MBC), A Shirt (Committee Secretary), Parish Councillor I Swainston (Auckley Parish Council), Town Councillor Gordon Whitehead (Tickhill Town Council) and Parish Councillor J Worthington (Cantley with Branton Parish Council)

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillor R Brown (Blyth Parish Council), Councillor T Corden (Doncaster MBC), S Gill (Robin Hood Airport), A Hudson (Air Traffic Control, Robin Hood Airport), G Levett (Doncaster MBC), Parish Councillor D Sanders (Wroot Parish Council) and Parish Councillor A Wilcox (Misson Parish Council)

1 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A Tolhurst welcomed everyone to the December meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee.

Town Councillor Gordon Whitehead was welcomed to his first meeting of the Committee.

Apologies for absence were noted as above.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Tolhurst reported that three major events had occurred since the last meeting, firstly, Flybe had announced eight new routes starting from the end of March 2016 from Robin Hood Airport; further details would be presented to Members' in the Airport Developments update.

Secondly, it was with great sadness that the UK's last airworthy Vulcan bomber had taken to the skies for a final flypast before it touched down for the last time.

Members noted that Channel 4 had broadcast a very interesting and informative documentary on Sunday 29 November 2015, entitled 'Last Flight of the Vulcan Bomber' presented by Guy Martin. The documentary saw Guy Martin go behind the

scenes with the Vulcan Team during the aircraft's preparation for her 'farewell to flight' tour. Members who missed the programme, were encouraged to view the programme on Channel 4 on Demand - <http://www.channel4.com/programmes/guy-martin-last-flight-of-the-vulcan-bomber/on-demand/62318-001>

And lastly, in wake of Islamic State militants claiming responsibility for planting a bomb on a Russian passenger plane travelling from Sharm el Sheikh to St Petersburg on 31 October 2015, which killed 224 people, had again highlighted the importance of aviation security. Members were informed that a presentation on airport security had been arranged to take place at the Airport Consultative Committee scheduled for Thursday 14 January 2016. Members of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee were invited to attend the meeting.

3 MINUTES OF THE NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2015

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 17 September 2015 be agreed as a correct record.

4 MATTERS ARISING

i) Aircraft Performance

The Chair informed Members that a presentation on Aircraft Performance was being arranged to take place at the March 2016 meeting.

ii) Hedge Rows

Members were pleased to note that the hedge rows in the vicinity of the airport had now been trimmed.

iii) Rapid Charging Point(s) for Electric Vehicles

K Naylor informed the Committee that following contact with colleagues at Liverpool John Lennon Airport, there was no tangible evidence as to the success of their Rapid Charging Points.

It was reported that due to limited space in Robin Hood Airport's car park, Rapid Charging Point(s) were unfortunately not currently feasible; however, this would be looked at again in the future.

iv) Gentlemen's Toilets – Terminal Building

Further to the September meeting, it was noted that the above issue had been forwarded to the Airport Duty Manager. It had been resolved that there had been no particular problem noted on the date in question.

5 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

RESOLVED – That the Committee noted the following change of membership on the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee:

- Tickhill Town Council have appointed Town Councillor Gordon Whitehead (in place of Town Councillor Margaret Marrison).

6 AIRCRAFT ROUTES

The Committee received a presentation from K Naylor which informed them of the routes which aircraft take when departing and arriving at Robin Hood Airport.

It was agreed that copies of the route maps be circulated with the minutes for Members information. **ACTION: K Naylor**

7 AIRPORT DEVELOPMENTS

M Cotterill provided the Committee with an update regarding the commercial, marketing and operational issues at RHADS. In summary it was reported that:-

- During the current financial year, up to October 2015, there had been a total of 615,000 passengers at the Airport, which was a 15% increase on the same period in 2014.
- It was noted that 1,400 tonnes of cargo had passed through the Airport, compared to 120 tonnes in the last financial year.
- A new unit was currently being prepared in the Terminal Building for a Subway franchise, scheduled to open on 14 December 2015.
- From the end of March 2016, eight new Flybe routes would be available from Robin Hood Airport (and could be booked now via the Flybe website). The routes and frequencies would be as follows:
 - Amsterdam – Daily service
 - Alicante – 3 departures per week (Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday)
 - Berlin – 4 departures per week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday)
 - Faro – 2 departures weekly (Thursday and Saturday)
 - Jersey – Daily service
 - Malaga – 3 departures per week (Monday, Wednesday and Saturday)
 - Newquay – 3 departures per week (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday)
 - Paris, Charles de Gaulle – 13 departures per week, double daily flights (Monday to Friday and Sunday, and a single daily flight on Saturday's)

Members were informed that the double daily service to Paris, Charles de Gaulle Hub allowed passengers to make onward connections to a wide range of global destinations.

The airport's Marketing Team had commenced advertising the Flybe routes to ensure that they were successful. Additionally, staff were working on a marketing plan for the Flybe services.

- The FARRRS link road was on track to open early next year, which would tie in nicely with the commencement of Flybe services from the airport.

- During the next financial year (April 2016 to March 2017) it was anticipated that passenger numbers would increase to 1.4 million.
- In order to accommodate the extra passengers at the airport, it was reported that a project team was currently exploring and evaluating options to invest in the airport's infrastructure. Including additional car parking spaces and options for opening a business lounge combining a premium family lounge.

In relation to connectivity, Councillor Blake asked how passengers arrived at the airport if they did not have a car.

K Naylor informed Members that currently, two public transport providers (Stagecoach and First) operated bus services from Doncaster Interchange to the Airport.

A Bosmans reported that the Doncaster Bus Partnership was currently inviting individuals and organisation to take part in its public consultation from 9 November to 18 December 2015 about a proposed new bus network for Doncaster. It was noted that one of the proposals included the termination of the 91/X91 service that runs between Doncaster, Hyde Park, Robin Hood Airport, Finningley, Blaxton and Epworth. If the plans were approved, it would be replaced by a more frequent 57 service; however, it would no longer serve Robin Hood Airport.

It was noted that there were no plans in the proposals to alter the timetable for the X19 service, however, it was pointed out that if the proposals were implemented, there would be no services during the evening to and from Robin Hood Airport. Currently, the last X19 service left the airport at 20:50. It was indicated that a large number of Wizz Air passengers arrived in the evening and relied heavily upon public transport.

Members felt that the proposals were inadequate. It was important that passengers should have the option to use public that was frequent and reliable.

K Naylor noted Members' concerns, adding that the airport would be responding to the consultation.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

8 AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENTS AND QUIET OPERATIONS POLICY REPORT

The Committee received a presentation from K Naylor regarding the Air Transport Movements and Quiet Operations Policy for the period September to October 2015.

a) Air Transport Movements

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number and type of aircraft movements from September to October 2015.
- ii) The number of arrivals and departures on each runway from September to October 2015.
- iii) The number of arrivals and departures on each runway from April 2005 to October 2015.

J Davies reminded the Committee that the provisions set out in the Section 106 Planning Agreement stated that where possible, aircraft movements should depart to the North of the airfield on runway 02, rather than to the South on runway 20. During the period there had been 519 departures to the South on runway 20 and 234 departures on runway 02 to the North of the airfield.

b) Quiet Operations Policy Report

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number of complaints received by Robin Hood Airport from 1 September 2015 to 31 October 2015, amounted to 19 complaints.
- ii) Robin Hood Airport's total number of complaints and type of complaints for the period 1 September 2015 to 31 October 2015.
- c) Number of Complaints and Individuals for September 2015 to October 2015
 - i) During September 2015, the Airport received 9 complaints from 4 individuals.
 - ii) During October 2015, the Airport received 10 complaints from 4 individuals.
- d) Number of Complaints and Individuals from each area from 1st September to 31st October 2015
 - i) During the period the highest number of complaints received by the airport from each area were as follows:
 - 1 complaint from 1 individual residing in Barnby Dun;
 - 3 complaints from 1 individual residing in Lound;
 - 2 complaints from 1 individual residing in Mattersey Thorpe;
 - 6 complaints from 1 individual residing in Moorends;
 - 2 complaints from 1 individual residing in Tickhill;
 - 1 complaint from 1 individual residing in Wroot; and
 - 1 complaint was unknown.
 - ii) The percentage of total complaints from each area for the period.
 - iii) The number of complaints and comparison figures for September to October 2014 and 2015.
 - iv) Robin Hood Airport's annual number of complaints and total movements from 2005 to 2015.
 - v) The number of complaints received by the Airport continued to decline year-on-year from 2009 onwards. During 2015 there had been 225 complaints received by the airport to 31 October 2015.
 - vi) The number of night time departures from Runway 20 for September 2015 and October 2015.

- vii) The number of non-NPR aircraft departures from September 2015 to October 2015.
- viii) The number of Quota Count Points (QCP) used and QCP Limits from April 2005 to October 2015.
- ix) The number of Quota Count 4 Movements from November 2010 to October 2015.
- x) The number of Engine Tests for September 2015 to October 2015.

RESOLVED – That the presentation be noted.

9 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

K Naylor reported that the airport was currently carrying out a trial together with two retailers in the Terminal Building, (WHSmith and J D Wetherspoon) to transfer food waste to a local company 'ReFood'.

Members were informed that waste food from both outlets was currently being collected by ReFood (a waste food recycling specialist) who turned food waste into green energy using a process called Anaerobic Digestion. The process generates renewable energy and a nutrient rich-fertiliser than can be used to grow more food.

During September to November 2015, ReFood had collected 11 bins of food waste from the airport totalling 720kg, which otherwise would have gone to landfill or to an incinerator. The total kilowatt hours of renewable energy produced amounted to 194.40 Kw hours. The tonnes of CO2 saved by diversion from landfill amounted to 0.17 with the total tonnes of CO2 being saved overall at 0.33.

S Racjan asked if the airport could also consider donating surplus food (i.e. packet sandwiches, etc.) to the weekly Rossington Trussell Trust Food Bank. **ACTION: S Racjan to forward further details to K Naylor for consideration.**

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

10 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

K Naylor informed the Committee that the Community Investment Fund would be launched in January 2016.

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

11 SCHEDULE OF 2016 MEETING DATES

RESOLVED – That the schedule of 2016 meeting dates for the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee be held on:-

- Thursday 17 March
- Thursday 23 June
- Thursday 15 September
- Thursday 1 December

All meetings will commence at 10:00 am, in the Blenheim meeting room in Heyford House, Robin Hood Airport, Doncaster, unless stated otherwise.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Parish Councillor Worthington informed the Committee that the road junction at Hayfield Lane to First Avenue had been flooded for a considerable length of time. It was noted that Auckley Parish Council had written to Doncaster MBC regarding this issue.

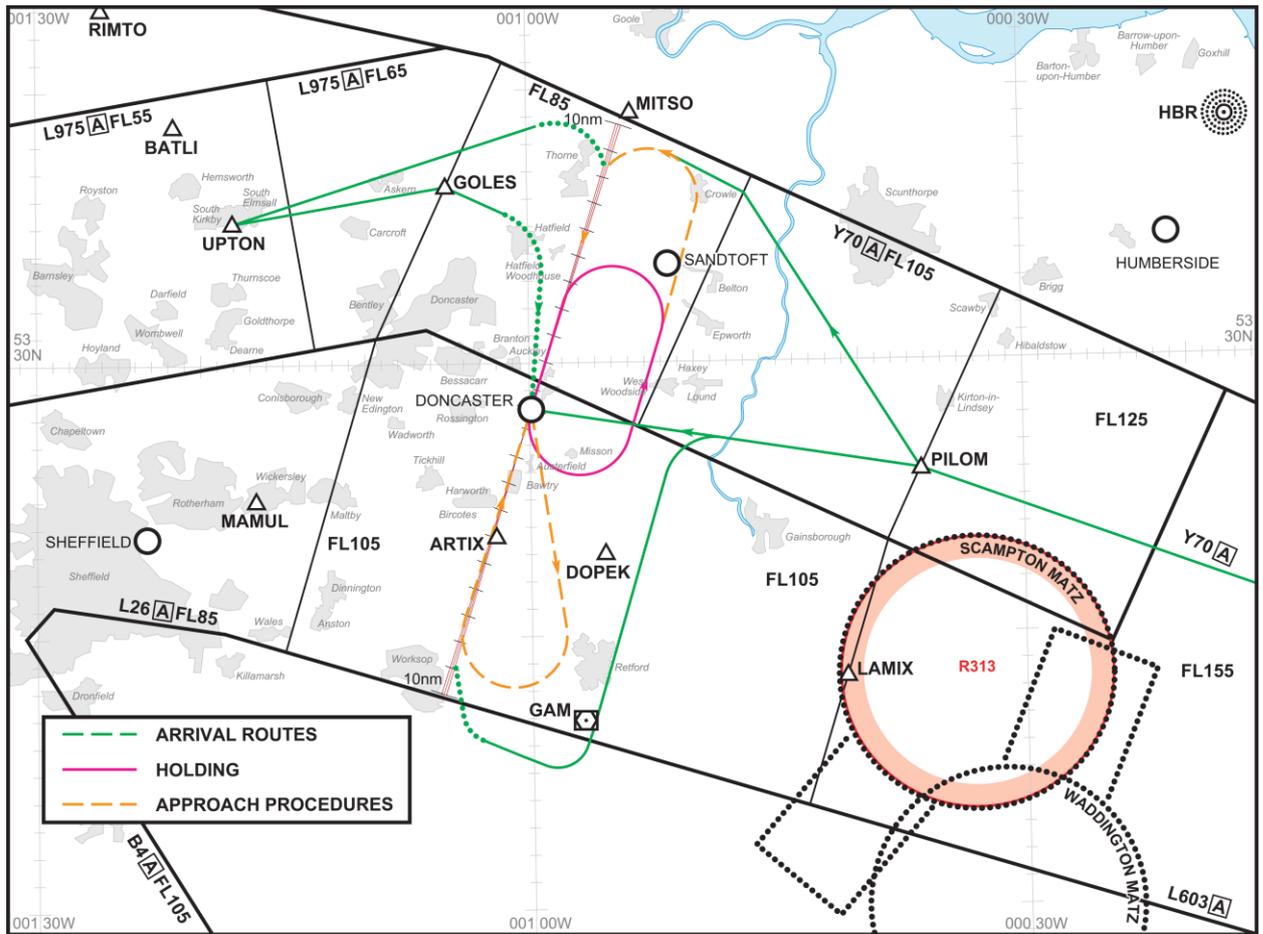
Councillor Cox informed the Committee that she would follow-up this issue with Peel Investments North.

13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED – That the next meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee be held on Thursday 17 March 2016 at 10:00 am in Heyford House, Robin Hood Airport, Doncaster.

CHAIR

Arrivals



Departures

