



ROBIN HOOD AIRPORT DONCASTER SHEFFIELD

NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE

19 SEPTEMBER 2013

PRESENT: Councillor Councillor Y D Woodcock (in the Chair)
Mr C Barnes (Robin Hood Airport), Mr A Bosmans (FODSA), Mrs F Cotton (Substitute for Blyth Parish Council), Town Councillor A Cropley (Bawtry Town Council), Mrs L Daffern (Robin Hood Airport), Mr J Davies (Doncaster MBC), Mr A Dutton (Robin Hood Airport), Parish Councillor M Lindley (Finningley Parish Council), Parish Councillor M Marrison (Tickhill Town Council), Parish Councillor N McCarron (Blaxton Parish Council), County Councillor C Pearson (North Yorkshire County Council), Mr S Racjan (Doncaster MBC), Mr A Shirt (SYJS), Parish Councillor Chris Stringer (Mission Parish Council), Parish Councillor I Swainston (Auckley Parish Council), Parish Councillor M Wiles (Wroot Parish Council) and Parish Councillor J Worthington (Cantley with Branton Parish Council)

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillor R Brown (Blyth Parish Council), Mr P Cole (Office of Caroline Flint, MP), Mr S Gill (Robin Hood Airport), Councillor B Hoyle (Doncaster MBC), Councillor P Knight (Doncaster MBC), Councillor H McNamee (Doncaster MBC), Town Councillor P Scholey (Maltby Town Council) and Mr A Tolhurst OBE (Chair of the ACC, Ex-officio)

1 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair welcomed Members to the September meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee.

Apologies for absence were noted as above.

2 MINUTES OF THE NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 JUNE 2013

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 20 June 2013 be approved as a correct record.

3 AIRPORT DEVELOPMENTS

L Daffern, Head of Terminal Services and Security informed the Committee that Tom Henshaw had been appointed as an Aviation Analyst at RHADS and would be working closely with the Head of Aviation Development.

The Airport was currently advertising for a Cargo Business Development Manager, the new role would be responsible for the development of cargo operations at the Airport.

Steve Gill and Chris Harcombe would be attending a conference at the beginning of October in Las Vegas which was dedicated to discussing and planning new services.

4 AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENTS AND QUIET OPERATIONS POLICY REPORT

The Committee received a presentation from C Barnes regarding the Air Transport Movements and Quiet Operations Policy for the period 1 June 2013 to 31 August 2013.

a) Air Transport Movements

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number and type of aircraft movements June to August 2013.
- ii) The number of arrivals and departures on each runway from June to August 2013.
- iii) Number of arrivals and departures on each runway from April 2005 to August 2013.

b) Quiet Operations Policy

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number of complaints received from Robin Hood Airport from 1 June 2013 to 31 August 2013 amounted to 71 complaints.
 - On 17 June 2013 there had been 7 complaints received, of which 5 were from an easyJet training on runway 20 (33 circuits).
- ii) Robin Hood Airport's total number of complaints and type of complaints for June to August 2013.
- iii) Number of complaints and individuals for June to August 2013.
 - During June 2013, the Airport received 32 complaints from 13 individuals.
- iv) Number of complaints and individuals from each area for the period.
 - During the period (June to August 2013) there had been 30 complaints from 1 individual residing in the Moorends area. There had been 27 complaints from 11 individuals residing in the Bawtry area.
- v) The per cent of total complaints from each area for the period.
- vi) Number of complaints and comparison figures for the 2012 and 2013 period.

- vii) Robin Hood Airport's annual number of complaints from 2005 to August 2013.
 - The total number of complaints received by the Airport continued to decline year-on-year from 2009 onwards.
 - To date there had been 177 complaints received by the Airport.
- viii) Number of night time departures from Runway 20 for the period June to August 2013.
- ix) Number of non-NPR aircraft departures June to August 2013.
- x) Number of Quota Count Points used and Quota Count Points from April 2005 to August 2013.
- xi) The number of QC4 movements for the period.
 - Members were pleased to note that on the 5th July 2013 at 05:05 an Atlas Air Boeing 747-400F QC4 departed from runway 20.
- xii) The number of engine tests for the period.

RESOLVED – That the presentation be noted.

5 ON-GOING NOISE COMPLAINT FROM MATTERSEY THORPE RESIDENT

The Committee was informed that a letter had been received by the Airport Consultative Committee's Secretary from John Mann (Member of Parliament for Bassetlaw) regarding on-going aircraft noise concerns from a constituent residing in the Mattersey Thorpe area.

A draft response to the letter had been prepared and circulated at today's meeting for the Committees' consideration and comment.

RESOLVED – That the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee notes and agrees the contents of the draft response and authorises the Secretary to issue this reply to John Mann MP.

6 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

A Dutton informed the Committee that energy consumption continued to fall at the Airport.

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

7 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

i) Doncaster St Leger Festival

The Chair asked if there had been an increase in flights and passenger footfall at the Airport during the Doncaster St Leger Festival week which had taken place between at the beginning of September.

L Daffern confirmed that there had been several aircrafts booked in to land and depart from the Airport during the Festival.

ii) Vulcan

Parish Councillor McCarron informed the Committee that the Vulcan was currently grounded for the remainder of the 2013 air show season due to a leaking fuel tank.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

i) Doncaster Free Press Article

The Chair informed the Committee that there had been an article in the Doncaster Free Press stating that there had been no taxis at the Airport on one specific night. The article had also stated that airport staff had been un-cooperative when approached by passengers on this subject.

L Daffern agreed to investigate and issue a response to the Doncaster Free Press. It was highlighted that no complaint(s) had been sent to the Airport in relation to this particular issue.

ii) Traffic Counter

S Racjan informed the Committee that the traffic counter sited on Hurst Lane had been up-rooted. A Dutton agreed to investigate.

9 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED – That the next meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee be held on Thursday 5 December 2013 at 10:00 am in Heyford House, Robin Hood Airport, Doncaster.

CHAIR