

Consultative Committee

DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE

14 SEPTEMBER 2017

PRESENT: A Tolhurst OBE (in the Chair)

NMESC Members:- A Bosmans (FODSA), Parish Councillor R Brown (Blyth Parish Council), Town Councillor N Cannings (Tickhill Town Council), R Cooke (Doncaster Sheffield Airport), Town Councillor A Cropley (Bawtry Town Council), Councillor L Curran (Doncaster MBC), Parish Councillor P Edwards (Misson Parish Council), Councillor M Greenhalgh (Doncaster MBC), G Levett (Doncaster MBC), K Naylor (Doncaster Sheffield Airport), S Racjan (Doncaster MBC), Parish Councillor C Sheriff (Finningley Parish Council), A Shirt (Committee Secretary), Parish Councillor I Swainston (Auckley Parish Council) and Parish Councillor J Worthington (Cantley with Branton Parish Council)

ACC Members in attendance:- Councillor D Lelliott (Rotherham MBC), Councillor D Pidwell (Bassetlaw District Council) and Y D Woodcock (Ex-Officio)

Guest:- J Van Hoogstraten (Cyrrus)

Apologies for absence were received from P Cole (Office of Caroline Flint, MP), Councillor M Cooper (Doncaster MBC), Councillor T Corden (Doncaster MBC), Councillor S Cox (Doncaster MBC), Parish Councillor S Crawford (Austerfield Parish Council), Councillor R Franklin (Barnsley MBC), Parish Councillor N McCarron (Blaxton Parish Council), Councillor J Milne (West Lindsey District Council), County Councillor C Pearson (North Yorkshire County Council), Councillor C Perraton-Williams (Lincolnshire County Council) and Councillor I Saunders (Sheffield City Council)

1 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A Tolhurst welcomed everyone to the September meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee. Introductions were made and apologies for absence were noted as above.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Tolhurst commented that it was excellent news to note that, Doncaster Sheffield Airport (DSA) had been named the best small airport in the UK by the influential consumer group Which? Magazine's members.

Members congratulated the airport for being awarded the best small airport in the UK.

3 AIRSPACE CHANGE CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS

The Committee received a presentation from John Van Hoogstraten, Head of Air Traffic Management (ATM) Operations at Cyrrus, outlining details of the public stakeholder consultation being launched on Monday 25th September 2017 regarding proposed changes to Doncaster Sheffield Airport's surrounding airspace.

Members were reminded that DSA's Standard Instrument Departures (SIDs) currently relied upon the 1950s technology of ground based radio beacons situated near Gamston.

It was noted that, the Gamston VOR was being withdrawn by NATS, as part of a National VOR rationalisation programme, approved by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Due to this change in the navigation infrastructure, DSA would be modernising its existing conventional Standard Instrument Departures (SIDs) to Area Navigation (RNAV) SIDs. In addition, the Airport had decided to introduce new RNAV Instrument Approach Procedures (IAPs) to compliment the RNAV Departures.

The introduction of the new RNAV SIDs and the IAPs would form part of a compliance project with the CAA's Future Airspace Strategy and policies for the implementation of Performance-Based Navigation (PBN) in the UK.

In order to support the SIDs to the east of DSA, two additional portions of airspace have been proposed. The airspace proposals ensure aircraft are contained within controlled airspace, as well as meeting the height criteria to keep clear of the Scampton restricted area used for the Red Arrows.

The Committee were presented with DSA's proposed RNAV SIDs and IAPs designs, including an overview of the airspace proposal to the east.

Members noted the 'next steps' involved in implementing the airspace changes at DSA, which would be subject to a 12-week public consultation period commencing on Monday 25 September 2017, concluding on Friday 15 December 2017.

On completion of the 12-week consultation, a Post-Consultation Report would be written to provide feedback to consultees on the outcome of the consultation. A formal Airspace Change Proposal document would then be submitted to the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). The CAA then had 16 weeks to consider the proposal and reach a regulatory decision by the end of June 2018.

If successful, and there was no significant amendments to the proposals, the airport would then implement the changes in November 2018.

Members were invited to share their views and respond formally to the consultation at the following website link www.flydsa.co.uk/about-us/dsaconsultation/.

On a separate matter, A Tolhurst asked if briefings on aircraft performance and the division of airspace could be arranged for a future meeting of the Committee. Members also suggested that it would be useful to know how aviation services are charged. **ACTION: K Naylor to make the necessary arrangements.**

RESOLVED – That Members:-

- i) Thanked John Van Van Hoogstraten for an interesting and informative presentation.
- ii) Share their views and respond formally to the consultation.

4 MINUTES OF THE NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 JUNE 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 22 June 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

5 MATTERS ARISING

i) Quiet Operations Policy Report

The following action was noted as outstanding:-

'K Naylor stated that she would provide A Shirt with a glossary of aviation acronyms to be sent out electronically to Members. **ACTION: K Naylor**

ii) Induction Notes

Councillor Greenhalgh commented that he had not received the induction notes as promised at the July meeting. **ACTION: A Shirt**

iii) Amendment to Minute 6 – Signage – Correspondence from MPS

A Bosmans requested that the above minute be amended to read:

'A Bosmans commented that there was no DSA signage on the M1 until the M18'.

6 AIRPORT ACTIVITIES UPDATE REPORT

The Committee was provided with an update on Airport Activities. In summary it was reported that:-

- DSA had been named the best small airport in the UK by Which? magazine's members. DSA had been awarded the accolade in the category of airports with less than 10 million passengers.

The airport had scored 87 percent overall, beating all airports in the North and Midlands by as much as 20 percent.

DSA had scored highly for queues at security, passport control, baggage drop, seating and toilets. Most significantly DSA's staff had been recognised by receiving five stars, with only one other airport in the UK receiving this honour. The airport's close by terminal parking was also given a special mention by Which?

R Cooke wished to thank everyone who had supported DSA on obtaining this prestigious award. Special thanks went to the FODSA Team for all their help and support.

- The summer of 2017 had been the airport's busiest summer ever; traffic was beginning to steady now. There had been similar passenger numbers to those achieved during summer 2016, due to a period of uncertainty in the economy.
- In relation to 'Brexit', the timetable for the UK to exit the EU was currently scheduled for the 1st quarter of 2019. The effects on the aviation industry were still currently unknown; it was anticipated that this would become clearer in the forthcoming weeks.
- The airport had won its first scheduled cargo contract working in partnership with Network Airline Management bringing flowers and vegetables to the UK. A weekly MD11 aircraft service from Nairobi to DSA had now commenced.
- The airport had secured funding from the Local Enterprise Partnership to create a much larger cargo shed and to make additional improvements around the airfield in order to handle the larger planes. Contracts had now been awarded to two companies with works scheduled to commence in the next three weeks, and be completed early into the New Year.

Parish Councillor Swainston wished to make the airport aware that, Yorkshire Wildlife Park (YWP) had recently submitted an outline planning application to Doncaster MBC to extend the existing park and create a new main entrance from Hurst Lane, taking advantage of the second phase of the Great Yorkshire Way.

In the interests of passengers and freight operators using DSA, Parish Councillor Swainston stated that a new entrance to YWP on Hurst Lane would lead to supplementary traffic from additional visitors to YWP, thereby leading to congestion and build-up of traffic on Hurst Lane at peak periods during the day.

A Bosman's stated that, YWP had been a big supporter of the airport; any changes that generated economic income for area, in his opinion, should be supported.

Councillor Greenhalgh commented that the proposed East Coast mainline station at DSA would bring YWP visitors directly to the Park and thereby, ease traffic on Hurst Lane.

K Naylor reported that YWP's Planning Consultant had asked if they could attend the next ACC to observe the proceedings. A Tolhurst was currently considering the request.

R Cooke agreed to respond formally to YWP's consultation on behalf of DSA, taking account of the Committee's comments.

- Public and stakeholder consultation on DSA's Airspace Change would be launched on Monday 25th September 2017, closing on Friday 15th December 2017.

Members were asked to respond to the consultation and to encourage all their contacts to also respond to the consultation; this would help to ensure that a full array of opinions were received by DSA.

- Construction work on FARRRS phase two of the Great Yorkshire Way (Bawtry Road to Hurst Lane) had commenced during June 2017. It was anticipated that the road would be completed in spring 2018, creating a direct link from DSA to the M18.

On a separate issue, Councillor Pidwell reported that the DfT had recently launched a public consultation seeking views on priorities for the next East Midlands rail franchise. He asked if the airport would be responding to this consultation in respect of the Doncaster to Lincoln line. **ACTION: R Cooke to follow-up with DSA colleagues.**

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

7 AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENTS AND QUIET OPERATIONS POLICY REPORT - JUNE TO AUGUST 2017

The Committee received a presentation from K Naylor regarding the Air Transport Movements and Quiet Operations Policy report for the period 1st June to 31st August 2017.

a) Air Transport Movements

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number and type of aircraft movements from 1st June to 31st August 2017.
- ii) The number of arrivals and departures on each runway from 1st June to 31st August 2017.
- iii) The number of arrivals and departures on each runway from April 2005 to August 2017.

b) Quiet Operations Policy Report

The presentation reported on the following:-

- i) The number of complaints received by DSA from 1st June to 31st August 2017, amounted to 91 complaints.
- ii) The number and type of complaints for June to August 2017.

- iii) The number of complaints and individuals for June to August 2017.
 - From 1st June to 30th June 2017, DSA received 46 complaints from 25 individuals.
 - From 1st July to 31st July 2017, DSA received 19 complaints from 5 individuals.
 - From 1st August to 31st August 2017, DSA received 26 complaints from 4 individuals.
- iv) The number of complaints and individuals from each area from 1st June to 31st August 2017.
- v) The percentage of total complaints from each area from 1st June to 31st August 2017.
- vi) The number of complaints and comparison figures of 2015, 2016 and 2017 for the period June to August.
- vii) DSA's annual number of complaints and total movements from 2005 to 2017.
- viii) The number of night time departures from Runway 20 for the period June to August 2017.
- ix) The number of non-NPR aircraft departures from June to August 2017.
- x) The number of Quota Count Points (QCP) used and QCP Limits from April 2005 to August 2017.
- xi) The number of Quota Count 4 Movements from November 2010 to August 2017.
- xii) The number of Engine Tests for the June to August 2017 period.

Town Councillor Cropley reported that he had received a small number of enquiries from local residents regarding small yellow patches which had appeared on their vehicles. Town Councillor Cropley asked if this was from aviation fluid.

K Naylor confirmed that, to the best of her knowledge, the patches were not from aviation fluid, however, she agreed to investigate and report back to Members.

ACTION: K Naylor

RESOLVED – That the presentation be noted.

8 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

K Naylor reported that DSA's total energy consumption from 1st to 31st August 2017 had been 445,029 kWh, against a target of 438,813 kWh, which was an increase of 1.4%.

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

9 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND APPLICATIONS

A Tolhurst reminded Members that, at the July meeting it had been agreed that grant application requests from Ranskill Nursery and the Northern Racing College be held in abeyance until consideration of further information had been circulated onto Members.

Further information had been circulated via email shortly after the July meeting, asking for Members to either support, or not support the applications.

K Naylor reported that both of the projects had not received support from the Committee.

On a separate issue, A Tolhurst informed Members that, following the July meeting, Parish Councillor McCarron had written to Peter Nears (Strategic Projects Director of the Peel Group), setting out her concerns regarding the allocation of funds to projects based within the Sheffield City Region.

Members were informed that Peter Nears had considered Parish Councillor McCarron's points; he recommended that the allocation of funds from the Community Investment Fund should be determined by the Airport Consultative Committee (ACC).

After detailed discussion, it was felt that involving Members of the Committee in the decision making process on bids was not satisfactory. Furthermore, Members highlighted that, being from representative organisations, they were not being impartial in the decision making process and felt that there was a potential conflict of interests.

Members were reminded that further details regarding the Community Investment Fund was available on the DSA website at the following link:-

http://flydsa.co.uk/uploads/documents/Community_Investment_Fund.pdf

RESOLVED - That the applications received for consideration at today's meeting be held in abeyance until the airport has reviewed its decision making process for the Community Investment Fund.

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No further items of business were noted.

11 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED – That the next meeting of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee be held on Thursday 7 December 2017 at 10:00 am in Heyford House, Doncaster Sheffield Airport, Doncaster.

CHAIR