

Consultative Committee

DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

6 APRIL 2017

PRESENT: Alan Tolhurst OBE (Chair)
A Bosmans (FODSA), R Cooke (Doncaster Sheffield Airport), M Cotterill (Peel Airports Management), Parish Councillor N McCarron (Blaxton Parish Council), B Mordue (Doncaster MBC), K Naylor (Doncaster Sheffield Airport), County Councillor C Pearson (North Yorkshire County Council), I Saunders (Sheffield City Council), A Shirt (Committee Secretary), Councillor A Smith (Doncaster MBC), Y D Woodcock (Ex-Officio) and Parish Councillor J Worthington (Cantley with Branton Parish Council)

Guest: J Van Hoogstraten (Cyrrus)

Apologies were received from: Councillor J Blackham, Councillor R Blake, P Cole, D Fell, Councillor R Franklin, Councillor D Lelliott, Councillor Councillor P J O'Connor, Councillor D Pidwell, M Di Salvatore and Councillor C L Strange

1 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A Tolhurst welcomed everyone to the April meeting of the Airport Consultative Committee (ACC).

Apologies for absence were noted as above.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Tolhurst recalled that, on the 29th March 2017, the Prime Minister Teresa May, had issued a letter to the EU Council President Donald Tusk triggering Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty of the UK's intention to withdraw from the European Union within the next two years. There was still a large amount of uncertainty in terms of trade, investment etc. with countries within the EU.

3 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the ACC Annual General Meeting held on 12 January 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

4 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the ACC Ordinary meeting held on 12 January 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

5 MATTERS ARISING

i) Vision for Transformational Growth

It was anticipated that Peel's 'Vision for Transformational Growth' document would be published in the next couple of months.

ii) Highways England Signage to Doncaster Sheffield Airport

Further to discussions at previous meetings, signage on the local motorway network (M18 and A1) to DSA remained confusing.

Furthermore, A Bosmans reported that there was no signage from the M1 motorway, junctions 32-34 from Sheffield to DSA.

K Naylor reported that Peel had submitted a report to Highways England, approximately 2 years ago regarding signage to DSA from the local motorway network. **ACTION: K Naylor to discuss further with Kate Stow and Peter Nears to ascertain if there has been any progress.**

After discussion, Members agreed that it would be appropriate for the ACC to write to the three Doncaster MPs (Rt Hon Caroline Flint MP, Rt Hon Dame Roise Winterton MP and the Rt Hon Edward Milliband MP), setting out the Committee concerns regarding Highways England signage to DSA. **ACTION: A Tolhurst to write to the three Doncaster MPs on behalf of the ACC.**

iii) DSA's Responses to Complaints

It was noted that the following action remained outstanding:-

'Councillor Blake asked if a representative from the airport could attend a future meeting of Bawtry Town Council or it's Residents' Group to inform it's Members of the airport's complaints procedure'. **ACTION: Councillor Blake to provide details of future meeting dates and times to K Naylor.**

6 AIRPORT ACTIVITIES UPDATE REPORT

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

- The Flybe Winter 2017/18 schedule would be released in the next 2 weeks; there would be no changes in routes.
- Flybe had introduced a new route for summer 2017 to Palma de Mallorca, operating twice weekly starting on 7 July 2017.
- Thomson had introduced a new route to Dubrovnik commencing on 4 May 2017.
- Thomson's Winter 2017/18 holidays had been released, with two long-haul flights scheduled for 2 week cruises for holidays to the Caribbean. The two dates were, 28 November 2017 to Montego Bay (Cruise on Discovery 2) and 7 January 2018 to Barbados (Cruise on Discovery).

- Wizz Air had introduced a new route to Sofia, which, was performing well.
- Lower passenger growth was anticipated in the 2017/18 financial year.
- Flybe would be looking to increase its routes during the year ahead.
- 2016/17 had been a record year for Cargo traffic, with over 9,400 tonnes being handled.
- The airport were expecting positive growth in Cargo operations in the year head. Opportunities to attract scheduled freight carriers were being explored by the Cargo Team with some prospects looking promising.
- DHL's Operation at East Midlands Airport (EMA) had been successfully handled by DSA over consecutive weekends in November and December 2016, whilst EMA resurfaced its runway.
- During 2017, modifications to the airport's infrastructure was scheduled to take place. This included further works to widen taxiways, works to improve the lighting on the heads of stands and refurbishment of Hangar 1 to become a dedicated cargo shed.
- 2Excel Aviation Ltd, previously operating from Hangar 1, had now been re-located to Hangar 3.
- Construction work was slightly behind with regards to creating a new NPAS Support Unit at DSA. It was anticipated that the unit would become fully operational by summer 2017.
- In relation to capital expenditure schemes, improvements to the car parking provision available at DSA was planned to take place shortly, with the creation of 400-450 new car parking spaces south of the Terminal for block car parking for the Meet and Greet service.
- A DSA TV commercial was currently running on ITV Yorkshire, as part of a ten-day marketing campaign.
- DSA would be providing sponsorship and advertising on the ITV game show 'Ant and Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway'.
- Runway re-surfacing at DSA had been completed ahead of schedule.
- Discussions continued with Vulcan to the Sky Trust regarding the development of a museum/visitor facility to be located north of the airfield. In respect of the Vulcan re-locating from Hangar 1, discussions were taking place regarding an interim temporary structure.

M Cotterill provided Members with his own personal views regarding the risks and opportunities arising from 'Brexit' in relation to aviation.

A Tolhurst referred to local tourism, he asked if local authority tourism officers were advertising DSA to visitors.

Councillor Mordue reported that, in respect of Doncaster MBC, he would undertake to follow-up this question with Doncaster MBC's Tourism Manager.

In relation to the work carried out by Doncaster Chamber to promote DSA, Members' pointed out that there had been no attendance at recent meetings from a representative of Doncaster Chamber. Members asked if an invite could be reissued to Doncaster Chamber. **ACTION: A Tolhurst**

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

7 MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY 2017

The minutes of the Extraordinary Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 23 February 2017 were presented for Members' information.

A Tolhurst reported that the CAA had launched a consultation on draft guidance to support a new process for assessing airspace changes.

The consultation documentation along with a separate document about a new category of airspace change (known as 'Tier 2') which the Government was proposing to introduce was available on the [CAA's website](#). The deadline for responses is Friday 30 June 2017.

It was agreed that a copy of the categories of airspace change be circulated to Members for information. **ACTION: A Shirt**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Extraordinary Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 23 February 2017 be noted.

8 DRAFT MINUTES OF THE NOISE MONITORING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 16 MARCH 2017

The draft minutes of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 16 March 2017 were presented for Members' information.

Parish Councillor McCarron referred to the Community Investment Fund, she informed Members that, at the meeting held on 16 March 2017, she had highlighted that, when the Community Investment Fund had first been introduced, Members of the ACC had agreed, and it had been contained in the minutes, that, the Community Investment Fund would only be available to the communities within the immediate areas of the airport. However, at the meeting, K Naylor had informed Members that the Community Investment Fund was available to communities, not only located in the immediate area to the airport, but, also to those regions bordering the airport.

Parish Councillor McCarron sought clarification on this matter, she was of the firm opinion that this matter had not been agreed by Members of the ACC. **ACTION: K Naylor to discuss further with Kate Stow.**

RESOLVED – That the draft minutes of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee held on 16 March 2017 be noted.

9 PRESENTATION OF DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT'S PROPOSED SOLUTIONS FOR PERFORMANCE BASED NAVIGATION (PBN) DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

The Committee received a presentation from John Van Hoogstraten, Head of Air Traffic Management (ATM) Operations at Cyrrus.

The presentation provided Members with the proposed design solutions for Doncaster Sheffield Airport's Performance-based Navigation (PBN) departure and arrival procedures.

It was noted that, Members' of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee had recommended that, the Airport Consultative Committee endorse the proposed design solutions.

Members noted the 'next steps' involved in implementing the airspace changes at DSA, which, would be subject to a 13 week public consultation period. The CAA would then need to review the proposal and reach a regulatory decision. The target date for the routes to come into operation would be summer 2018.

The Committee thanked John Van Hoogstraten for an informative presentation.

RESOLVED – That the ACC endorses the recommendation of the Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee to support DSA's proposed design solutions for Doncaster Sheffield Airport's Performance-based Navigation (PBN) departure and arrival procedures.

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No further matters of business were noted.

11 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED – That the next meeting of the Airport Consultative Committee be held on Thursday 13 July 2017 at 10:00 am, in the Blenheim Meeting Room, Heyford House, Doncaster Sheffield Airport, Doncaster.

CHAIR