

19 APOLOGIES

Apologies:

Larry Dack, Speke Estate
Cllr Mary Rasmussen, Liverpool City Council
Dr Ian Rushforth, Environmental Health Liverpool City Council
Cllr Malcolm Spargo, Hale Parish Council
Tony Rice, Disabled Persons Rep
Bob Swann, LYLACC Chairman
Jim Candlin, Environmental Health, Cheshire West and Chester Council
Ian Gaskell Environmental Health Knowsley Borough Council
David King-Hele, Environmental Health, Wirral Council

In Attendance:

Norman Elias, Chairman
Alan Ascott Arch Under the Bridge
Isobel Mason, Environmental Health, Halton Borough Council
Cllr Tricia O'Brien, Liverpool City Council

Liverpool John Lennon Airport

Colin Barnes, Environmental Advisor
Andrew Dutton Head of Environment
Mark Swanton Environment Apprentice

Secretariat

Laura Bootland, Assistant Secretary

20 CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

There were no changes in membership to report.

21 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

DECIDED: That

the minutes of the meeting of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee held on 19th July 2019 be agreed as a correct record.

22 NOISE COMPLAINTS LOG

The Sub-Committee considered the Noise Complaints Log, which detailed the complaints received and the responses, for the period July 2019 to September 2019. Colin Barnes gave a presentation to members on the Noise Log which included analysis of the number of noise complaints received by date, number of complainants, administrative area and the total number of complaints compared to the previous year. He also detailed the number of engine test runs. The presentation is attached to these minutes.

During the period a total of 10,486 noise complaints had been received, although 10,440 were from one individual and 46 were from the rest of the complainants.

The Sub-Committee discussed the complaints log and the different types individual noise complaints which had been received, this included a breakdown of the different types of complaint and the source of the complaint (type of aircraft). It was noted that 10 complaints were received on one day in August 2019 and that these related to an RAF C17 Globemaster aircraft that flew past the area but did not land at the Airport.

The Committee also discussed the Ukrainian Antonov (AN12) aircraft which had been a regular visitor (cargo) over the last few months. The AN12 is an older aircraft compared to the majority of the LJLA scheduled aircraft movements, it is noisier and it is not helped by its slower speed and size for a prop aircraft. The Committee were informed that the aircraft is used to transport car manufacturing parts and it was suggested that the Airport's Aviation Development team representative could attend a future meeting to explain the importance of the service.

The Sub-Committee commented on the wide geographical spread of the complaints across Liverpool and the wider region. It was confirmed that all of the complaints had been investigated and the flights in question were found to be operating within normal parameters.

DECIDED: That

- I. the Noise Complaints Log for 1st July 2019 to 30th September 2019 be noted.
- II. that the Airport's Commercial Team be invited to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee to explain the importance of the Antonov service to the region.

23 AIRSPACE CHANGE

Andrew Dutton, Head of Environment at the Airport updated members on the process for the proposed changes to airspace at the Airport, the main initial driver being the transition from land-based navigation beacons to satellite based guidance.

The Sub-Committee were advised that the next stage would be the public consultation on the proposal and options. The intention is for the consultation going live in early January 2020, if the Stage 3 Gateway with the CAA is passed in November. The consultation would last for 12 weeks with the final considerations being put forward to the CAA for decision towards the end of summer 2020.

The Sub-Committee were advised to let Andrew Dutton know if there were any organisations that members felt should be consulted. All responses would be added to a citizen's portal on the CAA website as part of the consultation.

In response to questions from the Sub-Committee, it was confirmed that newspapers would be used to advertise the consultation.

DECIDED: That

- I. the update on airspace change be noted.

24 NOISE COMPLAINT MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

Andrew Dutton, Head of Environment, Liverpool John Lennon Airport spoke to advise the Sub-Committee that he had sought advice from Merseyside Police in reference to the large number of complaints from a single source that is an on-going complaint and that they had begun to be unpleasant.

The Committee agreed that complaints of this nature should not be tolerated and correspondence should not entered into going forwards.

DECIDED: That

- I. The Sub-Committee agreed with the approach and the Airport would stop responding to this complainant going forwards.

25 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

26 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee is scheduled for 24th January 2020 at 10.30 a.m. in the Cavern Suite, Liverpool John Lennon Airport.

Chairman

Date

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