



CONSTITUTION OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES' AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL

1. **NAME:**
The name of the council shall be "LOCAL AUTHORITIES' AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL".
2. **OBJECTS**
The objects of the Council shall be:
 - (a) To examine All problems arising from any type of pollution or nuisance from aircraft which may affect Member Authorities (hereinafter referred to as "Members"): to take such action thereon as may be necessary in the interest of the Member or Members concerned by such legal means as are considered best in the circumstances of the case.
 - (b) To assist any one or more of its Members by joint action if necessary WITH THE PROVISIO THAT no individual Member shall be bound by any decision reached by the Council but shall be entitled to take such separate individual actions as such Member shall think fit.
 - (c) To co-operate with any other properly constituted body whose aims shall be similar to those of the Council.
3. **MEMBERSHIP**
 - (a) Membership shall be available to all Local Authorities concerned with or affected by Aircraft Nuisance.
 - (b) The Council shall have power to elect as "Associate Members" persons who are Representatives of properly constituted bodies whose aims are similar to those of the Council
WITH THE PROVISIO THAT Associate Members shall be entitled to attend and speak at all Council Meetings and shall be entitled to vote at any such meeting or on any issue decided thereat.
 - (c) Members and Associates shall pay an annual subscription at rates fixed by the Council.
 - (d) Each Member shall be entitled to appoint named Representatives and Deputy to attend Meetings of the Council as follows:-
 - (i) County Councils, London Boroughs, Unitary Authorities, Borough and district Councils: **THREE REPRESENTATIVES.**
 - (ii) All other Local Authorities: **TWO REPRESENTATIVES**
 - (iii) Associate Members: **ONE REPRESENTATIVE**Deputy only to attend in the notified absence of the representative.

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4. OFFICERS

The Council shall elect at its Meeting in September in each year:-

- (i) A President
- (ii) Vice Presidents (Not exceeding ten in number)
- (iii) A Chairman
- (iv) Two Vice-Chairmen

WITH THE PROVISIO THAT the Office of Chairman and one Vice Chairman shall be restricted to a person who is a Councillor of a Member Authority duly appointed by such Local Authority as one of its Representatives.

The Second Vice-Chairman will be appointed by the LAANC AGM and need not be a Council representative, but can be a person in a position to forward the aims of the Council.

The President and Vice-Presidents need not be representatives of member authorities but can be persons in a position to forward the aims of the Council.

5. HONORARY OFFICERS

The Council shall appoint as and when appropriate and necessary a Director, Treasurer and an Administrator.

6. MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

- (a) The Council shall meet at least four times in each year.
- (b) A Special Meeting of the Council may be called for a specific purpose at any time at the request of a Member Authority
- (c) WITH THE PROVISIO THAT the consent of the Chairman to the holding of such a meeting be obtained
- (d) The Chairman of the Council may call a special Meeting of the Council at any time he considers such a meeting is necessary.
- (e) Ten clear working days notice shall be given of any meetings of the council.

7. PROCEDURES AT MEETINGS.

- (a) The Chairman of the Council shall preside at all Meetings of the Council
- (b) The Vice Chairman of the Council shall preside at Meetings of the Council in the absence of the Chairman.
- (c) In the absence of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman at any Meeting of the Council, the Council shall appoint a Chairman of any such Meeting, any person present who is a Representative of a Local Authority Member.
- (d) The Chairman of any Meeting of the Council or of its Committees shall have power to hold a ballot on any matter.
- (e) At any meeting of the Council where there shall be an equality in voting, the Chairman shall be entitled to a casting vote.

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8. COMMITTEES

(a) THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (i) The Council shall elect an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council (with the President of the Council as an ex-officio Member) and up to ten other representatives which shall meet as and when required for the purpose of dealing with the business of the Council and making Reports and Recommendations to the Council.
 - (ii) The Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt other persons to be Members of the Executive Committee to assist them in dealing with any particular projects.
 - (iii) Should the Executive Committee consider it necessary to adopt a course of action before the next Meeting of the Council, the Executive Committee shall have power to take whatever action as is necessary on behalf of the Council.
 - (iv) Members of the Executive Committee will be appointed annually from among Representatives of Member Authorities.
 - (v) The Executive Committee shall elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee.
WITH THE PROVISIO THAT the office of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee shall be held by a Councillor of a Member Local Authority.
WITH A FURTHER PROVISIO THAT the Council may by Resolution approve the appointment of a Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee who does not meet with the above provision.
- (b) OTHER COMMITTEES The Council may from time to time appoint Committees for any special purpose and the Chairman of any such Committee, the Vice-Chairman and Members thereof need not be Representatives of Local Authority Members of the Council.

9. QUORUMS

- (a) The Quorum at Meetings of the Council shall consist of Representatives of not less than one third of the Members.
- (b) The Quorum at Meetings of the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than four Members of the Executive excluding the President, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee.

10. DISSOLUTION

The Council may at any time be dissolved by a Resolution passed by a two thirds majority of those present and voting a meeting of the Council.

WITH THE PROVISIO THAT due notice of the intention to propose such a dissolution has been given in the Agenda giving notice of such a meeting. Such a resolution may give instructions for the disposal of any assets held by or in the name of the Council.

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WITH THE PROVISIO THAT if any property remains after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities of the Council such property shall not be paid to the Members or be distributed to the Members but shall be given or transferred in accordance with the instructions of the Council.

11. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Alterations may be made to the provisions of this Constitution by a Resolution (hereinafter called "An Amending Resolution") passed by a majority consisting of not less than two thirds of the Members at the September meeting of the Council.

WITH THE PROVISIO THAT an Amending Resolution shall not be valid unless:-

(a) it has been proposed and seconded by representatives of two Local Authority Members of the Council and

(b) Notice of the said intention to move the said Amending Resolution has been given in writing to all representatives of Members of the council not less than fourteen days before the Meeting at which it is proposed to move the same.

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