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THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES' AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting (Combined Council & Exec) - Friday 12th July 2019

Those Present

Mr Colin Stanbury Director, Dr. Chris Hill Independent, Mr Paul Baker - Hammersmith and Fulham, Mr John Coates - Richmond, Cllr. Richard Baker - Richmond, Mr Michael Elliot ENAG - President, Dr. Margaret Majumder ENAG, Cllr. Wendy Matthews - Iver Parish Council, Cllr. Joanna Dabrowska,- Ealing.

1. Conduct of the Meeting - By agreement with all those present, The President took the Chair.

1a. Apologies for absence

Rob Gibson - Independent, Mr. Malcolm Beer – Old Windsor , Cllr June Nelson - L.B Hillingdon, Surinderpal Suri - L.B Hounslow, Ms. Anna Tomlinson, Mrs. Val Beale - L.B. Hillingdon, Cllr. John Bowden - RBWM, Mr. Peter Willan - RHC.

2. Minutes of Meeting 6th June 2019.

2.1 The minutes of the meeting of 6th June 2019 were agreed with minor amendments and signed as a correct record. Noted that apologies were received from Cllr. Joanna Dabrowska for this meeting.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Noted that the letter from LAANC to MEPS is outstanding and is being held pending clarification of the UK's future relationship with the EU.

3.2 Climate Change Committee (CCC) - The Director informed the meeting that the CCC had recently published its delayed 2019 progress report. An initial review of the report reveals the CCC is critical of the Government, advising that there has been no progress on a limit for aviation emissions in line with carbon budgets. Specifically the CCC criticises the Government for not yet formally including aviation emissions within the UK's carbon budgets, despite previously stating it would.

The CCC will write to the Secretary of state for transport (SST) separately to set out the scale of the net-zero challenge for the UK in respect of international aviation and shipping.

It was noted that Richmond Heathrow Campaign has produced an excellent critique on the Government's policies on aviation and carbon. This can be found here:

<https://www.richmondheathrowcampaign.org>

- 3.3 Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS). The Director confirmed that the local authority legal team had been asked to consider the prospect of local authorities launching a formal claim for review of the ANPS under S.6 of the Planning Act 2008.
4. **ICCAN - Presentation**. Commissioner Howard Simmonds and IT Support Officer Aaron Deary gave a very informative presentation on the current and planned work of ICCAN. This was followed by a lively discussion between the Commissioners and LAANC members. A recurring theme in the discussion was the role of the Heathrow Community Engagement (HCEB) and its perceived lack of effective communication with local residents as envisaged by the Airports Commission. Members also welcomed the ICCAN plan to review the CAA Study of Noise Attitudes - SoNA 14 (CAP 1506).

The President thanked the Commissioners for their time and engagement, which was echoed by all present. The ICCAN website, which provides a regular update on the work of the Commission is now available via the following link:

<https://iccan.gov.uk>

5. **HCEB - Report Back**

- 5.1 There was nothing to report, there had been no engagement. Members expressed frustration again that the HCEB is not performing the statutory function of an airport consultative committee as required under S.35 of the Civil Aviation Act. It was reported that the HCEB is holding Director's Board meetings that are not open to the public. ICCAN commissioners were present for this item and the mood of the meeting was conveyed to them on this point.

6. **Membership Fees and Honoraria (For 2020)**

- 6.1 It was agreed that a proposal be put at the AGM to increase Fees and Honoraria by approximately 2%. Details to be circulated with AGM agenda.

7. **UK Airport Traffic Statistics - latest figures**

- 7.1 Heathrow is operating at over 80 mppa. This now represents 27.5% of all UK civil aviation passengers.

8. **Any Other Business**

- 8.1 Heathrow Expansion - Statutory Consultation (DCO requirement) Commenced 18th June 2019 – Ends 13th September 2019. Heathrow has announced 43 exhibitions for the purposes of consultation in for its third runway proposal. The Director informed the meeting that all the consultation documents were available electronically via a dedicated HAL website:

<http://mediacentre.heathrow.com/pressrelease/details/81/Expansion-News-23/11085>

The documentation appears to be vast and will require many hours of review and analysis by LAANC's technical officers. The Director will ensure a LAANC response is provided.

Meeting ended at 13.00 hrs