

President Mr Michael Elliot Chairman Councillor Malcolm Beer

Director. Colin Stanbury

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THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES' AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Chair: 01753 862976

Held via Zoom facilitated by Old Windsor Parish Council

ON On THURSDAY 25th MARCH 2021 @ 7PM

Minutes of the Meeting

Those Present

Mr Paul Baker Hammersmith and Fulham, Mr John Coates Richmond, Mr Surindpal Suri Ealing, Cllr Martin Eleghorn Richmond, Cllr Malcolm Beer Old Windsor Parish Council - Chairman, Mr Michael Elliot ENAG - President, Dr Margaret Majumder ENAG, Val Beale Hillingdon, Cllr June Nelson Hillingdon, Cllr John Bowden RBWM, Robert Barnstone Stop Heathrow Expansion, Peter Willian Richmond Heathrow Campaign, Daniel Bayles RBWM. Cllr. David Buckley, Datchet PC.

1. Welcome by the President, Mr. Michael Elliott

Due to the virtual nature of the meeting the Chair stayed with the Malcolm Beer.

2. Apologies for absence

Joanna Darbrowska Ealing, Paul Leadbeater Elmbridge, Wendy Matthews The Ivers Parish Council, Arun Sood Spelthorne.

3. Minutes of the AGM held on 14th September 2019

It was noted that the meeting was held at the offices of Spelthorne Borough Council.

The minutes were considered for accuracy and agreed.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.



5. **Treasurer's Report – 2020/21**

The accounts (previously circulated and appended) were accepted and agreed. The Chairman raised a query as to whether or not the 2019 Treasurer's Report had been duly circulated. The Director undertook to look into this and arrange for it to circulated in the event that it was found to have been omitted.

6. Director's Report -

- 6.1 Heathrow Runway Three
- 6.1.1 At the last AGM LAANC was discussing the successful judicial review against the Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS) which effectively removed the threat of a third runway at Heathrow.
- 6.1.2 The Government did not see fit to appeal this decision however in May 2020 Heathrow was given leave to appeal
- 6.1.3 The appeal was heard in October 2020 by the Supreme Court and the previous Court of Appeal decision was quashed. The Supreme Court reasoned that internationally agreed climate change obligations have not yet been written into UK aviation policy. This means that the ANPS stands and the Development Control Order (DCO) process for a third runway can proceed.
- 6.1.4 It is now up to Heathrow to apply for permission to build a third runway and have its application assessed via the DCO process. Heathrow may decide to proceed but it might not succeed if the new obligations in regard of climate change are applied.
- 6.1.5 A planning application would be made in the context that it could take the airport five years to recover from Covid which has reduced traffic by approximately 75 percent.
- 6.1.6 It has also been suggested that Northolt could handle some short haul flights using turbo prop aircraft and shuttle buses to and from Heathrow to alleviate pressure on Heathrow's runways.
- 6.2 Other Planning Matters
- 6.2.1 Given the effect of Covid it was thought unlikely that a rapid return to aviation growth will occur. However airports such as Leeds, Bristol and Southampton all have made planning applications that are pending or have received a decision. It would appear that "Best Use" as specified by the ANPS is being interpreted as maximum use.



- 6.2.1 It was noted that the re-opening of Manston Airport was not recommended for approval by the Planning Inspectorate but permission for a DCO was then subsequently granted by The Minister for Aviation in 2020. The DCO was subsequently quashed following a Judicial Review of the decision by local residents. The residents claimed insufficient reasons had been advanced by the Minister for his decision. The Judicial Review Process means that the Minister must now reconsider his decision and provide detailed reasons for granting the DCO if that is still his decision.
- 6.3 Airspace Change.
- 6.3.1 The five main London Airports and the CAA have been meeting to consider airspace changes and the implementation of Precision Navigation (PRNAV). DfT have contributed £5.5 million to the NATS / CAA consortium to move the process forward. Airports other than Heathrow are unwilling to contribute financially because the perceived benefits are in favour of Heathrow. PRNAV will lead to the concentration of flight paths which in turn the could lead to less respite. The FAA have produced a report on PRNAV which has found that communities have an "enhanced response" i.e. communities are negatively affected by the extra noise burden PRNAV brings.

6.4 ICCAN

- 6.4.1 LAANC has contributed to the ICCAN consultation on Future Noise Management. It was noted that the final report from SONA (2014) on night noise has not been published. ICCAN has been critical of SONA partly because it did not assess peoples response to aircraft noise at lower noise levels (below 51dBLAeq). ICCAN have recommended that SONA should be repeated in some form.
- 6.5 HACC
- 6.5.1 Heathrow Airport Consultative Committee is being reformed after Heathrow cut the funding from the Heathrow Community Engagement Board. A statement from the board can be viewed here
- 7. Election of Officers: President, Vice Presidents; Chairman, Vice Chairman
- 7.1 The appointment of Michael Elliott to the position of President was proposed (Malcolm Beer) and seconded (Margaret Majumder) This was unanimously agreed.
- 7.2 The appointment of Cllr. Malcolm Beer to the Chair was proposed (Michael Elliot) and seconded (June Nelson) and this was unanimously agreed.
- 7.3 The appointment of Dr. Margaret Majumdar as Vice President of LAANC was proposed (Malcolm Beer) and seconded (June Nelson). This was unanimously agreed. The appointment of a second position Vice Present was deferred to such time a candidate could be identified.



8.0 Election of Executive Committee (15 members)

8.1 It was agreed that unless individuals indicated otherwise, the Executive members appointed would be the same as last year in addition to the President, Chairman, vice Chairmen and Treasurer who are ex officio members. The members of the Executive Committee are shown below:

Mr. Paul Baker, London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham

Mr. John Coates, L.B.Richmond

Mr. Surinderpal Suri, L.B.Ealing

Mr Daniel Bayles., RB Windsor & Maidenhead

Dr. Chris Hill, Independent (co-opted/advisor)

Cllr. J Nelson, L.B. Hillingdon

Mrs Val Beale, L.B. Hillingdon

Mr. Colin Stanbury, Director

Cllr W Matthews, Iver Parish Council

Cllr J Dabrowska, L.B. Ealing

Cllr J Bowden, RB Windsor & Maidenhead

9.0 Subscriptions 2020/21

9.1 It was agreed the subscriptions should be held at the current levels. Proposed Margaret Majumder, seconded June Nelson. From April 2021 subscriptions will be as follows.

Counties and Unitary Boroughs £807.00

Boroughs and Districts £573.00

Towns and Parish Councils £111.00

Associates £111.00

10. Honoraria payments (Director and Administrator) 2020 /21



- 10.1 It was agreed to award the Director an increased honorarium of 25 percent over current. Proposed June Nelson, Seconded Surinder Suri.
- 10.2 Given there is no paid administrator in post this was not considered.
- 11.0 Any Other Business
- 11.1 Given there was no other business the meeting closed at 20:35hrs



Treasures Report

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

2018/19 £		2019/20 £
	INCOME	
7,952.50 12.46	Subscriptions Interest earned on Temporary Investments	8,080.50 17.80
7,964.96		8,098.30
	EXPENDITURE	
4,670.00 .00 790.00 135.00	Director - Honorarium and Expenses Administrator -Honorarium and Expenses Donation payment made to SPFA in memory of G Ceaser Web Design and Maintenance	4,834.25 .00 .00 150.00
5,595.00		4,984.25
9,542.07 .00 2,369.96 11,912.03	Surplus at 1 April 2015 Transfer from Temporary Investments Add Excess of Income over Expenditure Balance Carried Forward	11,912.03 .00 3,114.05 15,026.08
	Represented by :-	
4,384.62 7,527.41 11,912.03	Cash at Bank Temporary Investments	7,480.87 7,545.21 15,026.08

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HONORARY TREASURER

Full accounts were circulated by the Director on 23rd March 2021