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THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES' AIRCRAFT NOISE COUNCIL
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD VIRTUALLY

THURSDAY 24th MARCH 2022 at 7.00 pm

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, Colin Stanbury - Director of LAANC, Dr Margaret Majumdar ENAG, Joanna Darbrowska Ealing, Cllr June Nelson Hillingdon, Val Beale Hillingdon, Cllr John Bowden RBWM, Janet Crane Horton PC, Cllr Len Carlton Wraybury PC, Robert Barnstone Stop Heathrow Expansion, Peter Willian Richmond Heathrow Campaign.

1. Welcome by the President, Mr. Michael Elliott

The President opened the meeting with a thanks to everyone for attending . The President went on to welcome back the Director after a period of illness.

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr David Buckley - Datchet Parish Council, Wendy Matthews - The Ivers Parish Council

3. Minutes of the AGM held on 25th March 2021 (previously circulated)

The minutes were agreed.

4. Matters Arising



It was agreed that matters arising would be addressed as the meeting progressed.

5. Treasurer's Report – 2021/22

- 5.1 The financial situation is similar to last year. The balance at the time the meeting took place is £16 995.
- 5.2 It was noted that the Director had not been drawing the agreed honorarium. After discussion the Director stated that he would not feel comfortable drawing his honorarium for the time during his absence.

6. Election of Officers: President, Vice Presidents; Chair & Vice Chair

- 6.1 The appointment of Michael Elliott to the position of President was proposed (Malcolm Beer) and was unanimously agreed.
- 6.2 The appointment of Cllr. Malcolm Beer to the Chair was proposed (Michael Elliot) and seconded. This was unanimously agreed.
 - 6.2.1 It was noted that the Chair wished to stand down due to commitments elsewhere and that a vice chair was needed as a matter of urgency. If a proposal was tabled that suggested a person or persons who were not elected officials should take these roles (Chair, Vice Chair, President etc.) this would require a change in the constitution.
- 6.3 The appointment of Dr. Margaret Majumdar as Vice President of LAANC was proposed (June Nelson). This was unanimously agreed. The appointment of a second Vice President was deferred to such time a candidate could be identified after the May 2022 local elections.

7(i) Election of Executive Committee (15 members)

- 7.1 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
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 Bowden, RB Windsor & Maidenhead

7.2 It was noted that Cllr Dabrowska from Ealing would be standing down at the local election 2022 and that the officer Daniel Bayles from the RB of Windsor & Maidenhead no longer worked for the authority.

7.3 It was agreed that the matter of roles and responsibilities would be reconsidered after the May 2022 local elections

7(ii) Appointment of representatives to Heathrow Committees: HCEB, HCNF

7.4 The status of some of the Heathrow liaison groups remained uncertain after Heathrow's covid related cost cutting exercises. Richmond Heathrow campaign agreed to establish the current status of the Heathrow Community Environment Board. It was agreed that the member for Windsor and Maidenhead would represent LAANC on the HCEB if it continued.

7.5 The need for representation on the community noise forum was noted.

8. Subscriptions 2022/3

8.1 It was proposed to freeze subscriptions at 2021/22 levels. This was agreed.

9(i) Date of Future AGMs (proposed Mid - May as from 2023)

9(i).1 It was proposed to have the next meeting after the local council elections with a provisional date of during the second week in June. This was agreed.

9(ii) Future Council and Executive Committee Dates and arrangements - (proposals sought)

9(ii).1 Item deferred

10. Director's Report and ongoing arrangements

10.1 The Director reported as follows:

- Heathrow 3rd runway is still on the table for 2030.
- Heathrow's programme for this has fallen back at the moment due to financial difficulties.



- Airspace modernisation will be a significant issue for LAANC for the foreseeable future.
- Heathrow is now developing its proposals for airspace modernisation on the basis that it is a two runway airport, a change from its previous position.
- Airspace change proposals are likely to be controversial due to the possible concentration of flights.
- In relation to night flights, LAANC and others made the case for reducing numbers but the situation remains unchanged, with a current approximate frequency of ten/eleven per night. The meeting echoed the Director's disappointment regarding the lack of Government action regarding this matter.
- September led to demise of ICCAN which the Director felt was a negative move.

10.2 John Bowden from Windsor and Maidenhead noted that

- There is no respite on northern runway despite the fall of the Cranford Agreement. Consideration is being given to writing to the newspapers about this matter
- The closure of Russian airspace makes some flights longer potentially increasing the pressure on the night period.

10.3 Rob Barnstone from the Stop Heathrow Expansion Coalition noted that

- The coalition continues to try to get a review of the Airports National Policy Statement. This is supported by LB Hillingdon and others.

10.4 Peter Willian from the Richmond Heathrow Campaign noted that

- Community noise forum has written complaining about the airspace change process, rejecting the principles and the engagement process. The exchange of letters and the letters and complaints are on the CAA's portal.
- Heathrow's airspace change proposal is for the current movement limit of 480,000 atms, but there are concerns the use of the term 'flexibility' may lead to increases.
- A carbon dioxide ceiling is most likely to affect growth.

10.5 Janet Crane from Horton Parish council noted that

- Runway three is still a real threat to the area she represents. Areas of Horton will be excavated for gravel extraction as part of the construction. There was a concern that this appears to be supported by the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.

11. **Honoraria payments (Director / Administrator, etc.) 2022 /23**

11.1 Consideration was given to how the Director could be further supported during his continued recovery. The meeting was reassured that with the continuation of



everyone's support the status quo will resume. The Directors view was supported from the floor particularly by local authority officers.

12. Any Other Business

12.1 Given there was no other business the meeting was closed at 8.34pm.