

AIRPORT TRANSPORT FORUM

DATE: 2:30pm, 9th August, City Aviation House, London City Airport (LCY)

MEETING NOTES

ATTENDEES

Gavin Wicks, LCY
Alexandra Varlyakova, LCY
Murray Woodburn, LBN
Dave Whittaker, LBN
Marcus Adams, TfL
Roy Collins, LCY Taxi Co-ordinator

Richard Storer, Crossrail
Rob Griggs, London Chamber of Commerce
Angela Okello, Keolis Amey Docklands (KAD)
John Southam, CADP Delivery Partner

APOLOGIES

Rachel Ness, LCY
Claire Hamilton, GLA
Jamal Brathwaite, Community representative
James Wilkinson, Keolis Amey Docklands (KAD)
Julia Bray, TfL

Thish Rajendram, Community representative
James Cox, DLR Ltd

CIRCULATION

Cllr Patrick Murphy
Glynis Pearce
Neal Pearce

ITEMS

1. Welcome and introductions by the Chair

1.1 GW welcomed the group. Introductions were made by the group as there were a number of new attendees, Angela Okello from KAD and Rob Griggs from LCCI. Also introduction was made to John Southam who was representing the recently appointed CADP Delivery Partner.

2. Actions from last meeting (28th February 2017)

2.1 Residents issues with parking zone implementation. A nine month review post implementation is due March 2018. MW will follow up with Community rep.

2.2 It was noted that TR is no longer the Community Representative. GW to follow up with the LCY comms team to find out about a replacement community representative.

ACTION 1: GW to follow up regarding replacement community representative.

Post meeting note. Cllr Patrick Murphy, Glynis Pearce and Neal Pearce have all put themselves forward to ensure there is at least one attendee per meeting. They are copied in to these minutes.

2.3 Uber LBN update. DW reported that the Uber restriction on drivers picking up jobs in the vicinity of the airport was still in place. There have been no recent complaints of nuisance. GW confirmed the airport had had made no further reports. DW also confirmed there was no new information in regard to Uber looking for land in LBN to use as a waiting/holding area.

2.4 LBN Local Plan consultation date to be confirmed by DW and will provide update to ATF as required.

3. Operational and strategic updates from the Forum

LCY

3.1 AV provided an update on new airport routes. KLM Royal Dutch Airlines have returned to the airport and have initially commenced a daily service to Amsterdam from London City. This is set to increase to four daily flights on weekdays and one to two flights a day during the weekends.

3.2 British Airways has launched a three time a week service to the Greek Island of Skiathos in the summer, alongside the current routes of Mykonos and Santorini and a weekly service between LCY and Manchester, this started in May.

3.3 British Airways are due to launch three new routes to Paris, Prague and Reykjavik starting in October; and

TfL

3.4 MA set out his understanding that the delayed Royal Docks OAPF will be out for consultation Oct 17.

LB Newham

3.5 DW requested that the LCACC minutes be raised as part of the ATF; so as to capture the transport items identified there are picked up and followed through as necessary. Link to minutes is here:

<http://lcacc.org/meeting-papers-key-documents/recent-minutes-of-meetings/>

Taxi operations

3.6 RC informed the group of the agreement between the airport and the taxi drivers for a £1 pick-up charge to be introduced. He noted that this is between the airport and drivers only, it isn't passed to passengers. GW said indicative start date was likely to be early Oct, but dependent of infrastructure procurement times and costs.

Crossrail

3.7 RS stated that the overhead catenary wires were being installed at present. Live power is intended to be introduced from the 1st October and test trains running in early November.

KAD

3.8 AO updated the group on the proposed visitors centre in the DLR; timescale for delivery is Dec 2017 / Jan 2018. AO to provide further details as she has them.

3.9 MW requested data on how busy the station is. AO to check and come back with data.

ACTION 2: AO to get further details on station capacity data.

3.10 MA noted that the current TfL timeframe for delivery of new trains would be from 2022 onwards.

London Chamber of Commerce

3.11 RG updated the group that the LCCI were drafting a response to the Open Skies policy, government's Brexit policy and putting together a paper that focuses on the contribution of London to the wider UK economy.

4. S106 Legal Agreement and CADP Planning Conditions

4.1 GW updated the group that the Annual Performance Report Issued in July 2017.

4.2 The pre-commencement conditions for the CADP planning permission have all now been approved by LBN.

4.3 The airport is seeking approval to make changes to the approved plans to reflect design changes to improve forecourt and dockside operations.

4.4 GW stated to the group that Bechtel have been appointed as the CADP delivery partner. The construction is expected to commence before the end of the year and that CADP will now become a regular agenda item at the ATF to ensure that construction items can be raised and addressed as required.

5. Strategic Activities

Airport Transport Forum

5.1 Final ATF of 2017 scheduled for 30th November. GW to confirm to group.

ACTION 3: GW to confirm forum date.

5.2 GW stated that the Working groups actions identified in previous were still being worked through so no further working groups had been convened this year. There are a number of consultation documents, namely the ASAS, TfL bus consultation and the Mayor's Transport Strategy consultation that would be useful to have ATF members input on.

Airport Surface Access Strategy (ASAS) and Transport Objectives

5.3 GW stated to the group that he was using the gap analysis, circulated with the last minutes, as the guide to update the ASAS report – this introduced additional information to give a fuller picture of the airports strategy, CADP proposals and engagement with stakeholders. The intention is for the Travel Plan(s) to then follow on later in the year.

5.4 As discussed with LBN Transport Objectives are part of the ASAS and Travel Plans rather than a separate document.

ACTION 4: GW to send ASAS to ATF members for review early October.

Annual Performance Report

5.5 The supplementary surveys will be scheduled to follow on from staff travel measures that are due to be trialled later this year. Likely date is Q1 / Q2 next year to determine changes in behaviour.

CADP Travel Plans

5.6 These have been issued as part of the pre-commencement conditions. The CADP Travel Plan is required by Condition 70 of the planning permission, 'prior to first occupation of the development'. Once the date of commencement of CADP is formally announced, the development timetable can be finalised, and the required completion date for the Travel Plan will be known.

6. 2016 Working Group Actions - Progress

Cycling and Walking

6.1 Cycle enclosures sites to be delivered across three locations (Western Car Park and King George V building and City Aviation House) by end of 2017.

Information Provision

6.2 Passenger information screens and been installed in the international arrival hall. Once the airport is happy with the operation of the screen and level of information it will install a similar screen in the domestic arrival hall. The test screens are attached to the minutes.

6.3 The airport has established, with DLR, that the existing screens in the international and domestic halls were airport property and can remove or modify them if we need to. Feedback from terminal officers has been that these older screens aren't useful to passengers. The airport will look at turning screens off for a period to test customer reaction and determine how useful they are.

Local Minicab Operations

6.4 Review of RPZ on behaviour before further action taken. This will be informed by the LBN post implementation study as mentioned previously in actions from previous meeting.

Low Carbon Transport

6.5 Trial of electric charging points for passengers and staff is progressing, no firm date for implementation as yet however. The intention is to trial charging and how the passengers find it most useful so it can inform the CADP roll out of charging units.

6.6 Provision for taxi charging is not as well developed and there are implications with power supply the taxis require much higher power chargers and cost of infrastructure. GW stated the airport are continuing discussion with TfL to understand funding opportunities available to the airport to help it provide for the black cab fleet switch over next year.

Crossrail Working Group

6.7 The route assessment identified as part of the working group to be re-started. The focus is likely to be using the interchange points as Woolwich Arsenal and/or Canary Wharf to enable passenger interchange with DLR to get to the airport.

6.8 GW stated that the airport had an ongoing commitment to an Elizabeth Line station for the Silvertown area. The airports have presented the updated feasibility study to LBN and have made representations to include it in their local policies and plan document. The airport will seek to have it referenced to in the upcoming Mayor's Transport Strategy.

Surface Access Strategy Working Group

6.9 ATF members will be consulted early October on a draft version of the ASAS.

Bus Provision Group

6.10 Response to TfL consultation to be co-ordinated with LBN and shared with members.

ACTION 5: GW to issue.

Travel Survey

6.11 The most recent staff survey indicated there is a high single occupancy private car use by staff. The survey indicated this was in the order of 57% and was reported in the APR. The reason for this appears to be a higher proportion of management staff, those who work in City Aviation House, responded and this isn't representative of majority of workforce. Approach agreed with LBN officers is to put in place staff travel schemes to trial and re-survey to test effectiveness.

6.12 The two schemes are the Gett to Work and car sharing initiatives. The Gett to Work scheme is using the early morning journeys by empty taxis, identified by this forum, to enable early shift staff to get to work without needing to use a car. The intention is to trial this service for a number of weeks to test demand for such a service.

6.13 The second initiative is a more typical car sharing scheme. This would be provision of a platform for staff to organise lifts with each other; as used at many other organisations.

Public Transport Promotion

6.14 Airport will look to extend its visibility on the LUL mapping to fully illustrate interchange points on the network. This includes seeking to have the airport identified on the Elizabeth Line maps.

Uber and Taxi share scheme

6.15 Following the change of wording on the Uber app and the creation of a reporting route to Uber the airport has not received complaints of nuisance. The airport and LBN will keep this as a regular agenda item to ensure the problem is reviewed regularly.

6.16 Black Cab staff scheme is progressing as noted under 6.12.

7. AOB

7.1 LBN cycling strategy is to be reviewed and airport would welcome working with LBN to look at the routes for staff to support the expansion of the airports staff cycle spaces.

8. Date of next meeting

8.1 Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 30th November, 11am at City Aviation House.

8.2 The meeting was closed.