

Meeting date 18 November 2025

Meeting Note

Time 10:30am

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Venue City Aviation House

Attendees: Shamal Ratnayaka, Kyle Fairburn – TfL
Duncan Ayles, Richard Wadey – LB Newham
Patsy Ryan – BACF
Jamie Reed – Excel
John Turner - Ballymore
Theca Meija – Local resident
Tim Smith, Steve Allen, Lisa Martin – LCY

Circulation: Attendees plus apologies noted below

Item			Who
1	Welcome & Introductions	<p>Introductions were made, and apologies noted from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Andrew Dickinson (DLR); Jessica Wallis (Lendlease); Pal Avar (Marriott); Phil Tweddle (Canary Wharf Group); Paul Creed & Natasha Ghitt (Royal Docks, GLA); Chris Abel (Tate & Lyle); Stuart Pick (London Chamber of Commerce & Industry)	
2	Airport Updates	<p>See slides attached to email for additional detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Passenger volumes: aligned with forecast for Q3, new routes added for winter 2025/26, as well as a new LCY-Madrid service.Planning: LCY has progressed assessment with the CAA for a new flight procedure RNP AR (Required Navigation Performance – Authorisation Required), to allow a shallower approach of the new generation A320neo aircraft.Vehicle Drop Off Fee: will be introduced at the end of 2025 to support the aim of reducing the number of vehicles coming to the airport.	
	Surface Access Update	<p>See slides attached to email for additional detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Passenger sustainable mode share: in Q2 2025, 73% of passengers arrived at the airport by sustainable transport - a reduction compared with Q2 in 2024, and as a whole. The key driver was a significant reduction in black taxi trips (6% compared with 15% in Q2 2024). DLR usage	

		<p>increased by 5 percentage points, to 64% of all passenger journeys to the airport in Q2 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff mode share: the 2025 survey closed earlier in the month. The airport expects to demonstrate progress towards the 2025 target of 48% of staff driving alone to work (from 51% in 2024). <p>Vehicle drop off charge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • London City Airport will join other UK Airports and introduce vehicle drop off charges at the end of this year. • The charge will help London City meet its wider sustainability goals by reducing the number of vehicles travelling to and from the airport, supporting efforts to lower congestion, reduce emissions and improve air quality in the surrounding area. • All passengers arriving at the airport by Black taxi, Uber, minicab or being dropped off by a private vehicle will pay the charge. Blue badge holders and airport staff will be exempt from the charge. • A Working Group has been set up comprising relevant Newham officers and Airport staff to mitigate potential negative impacts in the local area. Baseline surveys are underway by Newham Council to understand current parking practice/ demand on local roads, the results of which will be used to inform potential mitigation. • The airport will set up a means of communication for residents to report any concerns/ complaints to the airport, who in turn will pass them onto Newham for enforcement. • TM expressed concern that airport users will park on local roads, even more so than today. TM will provide photographs of observed abuse of local parking controls today to the airport. • RW responded that the enforcement blitz that will likely follow the introduction of charges will enable historic issues to be addressed at the same time. • TM said she would be put a flyer out to three local streets; SA said that the airport will be leafleting local roads that may be impacted as well as the school. <p>Action for TM: to provide any evidence of current abuse of parking controls.</p> <p>Action for LCY: leafleting in local streets to let residents know about the drop off charge, and how to report any issues to the airport for fast resolution.</p>	<p>TM</p> <p>SA/ TS</p>
	<p>Surface Access Strategy</p>	<p>See slides attached to this email for additional detail:</p> <p>LCY has prepared a new Surface Access Strategy for the period 2026 to 2031 as the current one runs to 2025. The Strategy sets new mode share targets for</p>	

		<p>passengers (75% by sustainable modes excl. black taxis) and staff (35% of staff driving alone to work) by 2031. Delivery of the strategy is aligned to five key priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Building and maintaining of habits 2. Providing sustainable journey options 3. Effective communications 4. Working with partners 5. World class sustainable journey experience <p>The Airport will continue to report progress in its delivery of the strategy to this Airport Transport Forum, which will continue to meet twice each year. Once the 9mppa planning permission is implemented, the Forum will have an important role in deciding how the new Sustainable Transport Fund monies will be allocated.</p> <p>Feedback from the Forum about the ATF meeting structure included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In person meeting is beneficial, but offering a hybrid option could increase attendance from some organisations. • Other potential Forum members could include Regal who are an active developer in the local area. • A discussion slot could be helpful to provide more two way dialogue on some of the initiatives the airport is considering. <p>LM/TS to implement the above before the next meeting.</p>	LM/ TS
<p>Update from Forum Members</p>	<p>London Borough of Newham</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Newham Local Plan examination is ongoing, resulting in a big piece of work for the Council next year to adopt the Plan. • Implementing the first year of the LIP, including a range of plans across the borough to improve access to sustainable transport. Recently submitted a list of projects to TfL for the next FY of the LIP. • Want to undertake a feasibility study re how the benefits of the Royal Docks corridor can be extracted, as well as improvements to the Connaught Bridge underpass to encourage more walking in the area. • Regeneration Team are looking at regeneration in the North Woolwich area, and LCY are invited to join the Working Group. • RW was asked: • <i>What is the timeline for the new bridge across the dock;</i> this is tied in with outcomes expected at the December committee meeting. create a more continuous operating area. • <i>What improvements are planned for Dock Road, given the great works undertaken on adjacent North Woolwich Road?</i> Dock Road is under TfL ownership for the next couple of months; Newham would like to propose future bus priority there to mitigate impacts of increased traffic on other local roads. 	

	<p>TfL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New DLR rolling stock roll out on the Stratford to Woolwich line (serving LCY) is ongoing; feedback has been very positive. • TfL are undertaking ongoing monitoring of the impacts of the new Silvertown Tunnel which opened in April 2025. • Working on a new London Plan (2027 to 2050) which will be out for consultation next year. • London met the legal limit for toxic NO2 pollution for the first time in September. • TM asked if the lifts at the LCY DLR station could be better signposted to show that level 0 is LCY. LCY will raise with the DLR team. <p>Excel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dock edge opened again to the public in September. • In discussion with Newham and the GLA re potential further development at Excel; JR will share further details with the Forum in due course. <p>BA Cityflyer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would welcome better options for passengers to travel to hotels on the other side of the dock during periods of disruption. Taxis are expensive and not sustainable. LCY confirmed this is something they are investigating and are liaising with Newham on. <p>Ballymore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have two large live applications in the local area, expected to go to Committee in the new year. • Entered a joint venture with Places for London to develop the Limmo Penninsular with circa 1400 new homes. 	<p>TS/ DLR</p> <p>JR</p> <p>TS</p>
<p>AOB</p>	<p>Next Meeting: Tuesday 2 June, 10.30am at City Aviation House.</p>	<p>LM to send invite</p>