



Minutes of the meeting of the London City Airport Consultative Committee held on 3 June 2021.

Present: Duncan Alexander (Chair), Cllr James Asser (LBN), Ken Baker (MET Police), Joy-Caron Canter (RDLAC), Cllr Brenda Dacres (LB Lewisham), Lyndon Forthergill, Ian Gibson (West Silvertown), Steven Jones (London Chamber), Mark Partridge (LBN), Shamal Ratnayaka (TFL), Cllr Sarah Ruiz (LBN), John Shaw (Passenger Rep), Andrea Sperini (BA), John Stewart (Hacan East), Glynis Webb (Vice-Chair).

In attendance from LCY: Tim Halley, Liam McKay, Robert Sinclair, Aaron Uthman, Francesca Pacifico, Oscar Wong

Also in attendance: Andrew Christy (local resident)

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed members to the online meeting.

The committee remembered Sid Keyes, who had passed away recently. Sid was an original member of the committee who was a pillar in the local community and the committee. He will be greatly missed.

2. Minutes of the meeting on 4 March 2021

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

3. CEO Update

The Chair invited Robert Sinclair (RS) to update the Committee.

The papers can be found [here](#).

RS advised that there is growing activity in the aviation sector, and that subject to restrictions it would be fantastic to have an in-person meeting in September. RS stated that the aviation market across the world remains in flux. A few hours ago, the government announced that no new countries were to be added to the green list, while Portugal has been removed. This was extremely disappointing for the aviation sector given the ongoing confusion on the traffic light system. The vast majority of countries remain on the amber list, which Government still advise the public not to travel to. In contrast to the UK the EU are introducing an EU vaccine certificate, and in all cases those with the certificate can travel throughout the EU without the need to test and isolate.

RS stated that the airport had received a positive response from Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) on COVID compliance. However, the airport's e-gates will be going through an upgrade in the coming months which may increase queues. There are plans in place to address this which will hopefully avoid the large queues at other airports. RS stated that the airport continues to offer support to LCY staff at a personal and work level to ensure staff are ready for a full return to work. This programme of support is called the summer readiness programme.

RS advised that efforts in the community continue at pace, including the finale of the Women in Aviation programme, mentoring programmes and community investment and volunteering. RS advised that the airport had given a virtual tour to 30 users of the Tower Project Charity and that the airport had released its community magazine, E16 in June. Digital copies of E16 magazines can be found [here](#).

The Chair asked about the Digital Air Traffic Control Tower. RS advised that the tower went live recently after significant testing which was followed by sign off by the CAA. This is a world first for an airport the size of London City.

4. Airport Reports

The Chair advised that the airport would provide updates verbally to the committee. The reports can be found [here](#).

The Chair praised the airport for the quality of the reports.

- **Environment**

Francesca Pacifico (FP) advised that due to COVID 19 there is still a dramatic reduction in noise, aircraft movements and passenger numbers when compared to pre-COVID levels. However, the airport has still received some complaints, which was potentially due to an adjustment to less noise from the airport. FP advised that there were no new eligible properties under the 2020 APR, however some properties have become eligible for reinspection as it has been 10 years since the installation of insulation at the properties.

FP advised that the airport was collaborating with industry on low/zero carbon aviation projects as part of the government's future flight programme and that the airport had achieved Level 3+ Neutrality under the Airport Carbon Accreditation scheme. This is an international scheme run by Airport Council International and includes all emissions that LCY have control over including electricity and gas used at the airport, and LCY-owned vehicle emissions.

Members asked about timescales on airspace modernisation. FP advised that the work on modernisation was at stage 2 at present, stage 3 beginning in the next couple of years. Members asked if there will be discussion as proposals are developed ahead of stage 3. FP responded that the CAA hold the information and the airport will check how the consultation will take place. FP advised that stage 2 is mostly with other airports and NATS (who look at airspace above 7000ft). This is still a work in progress and could take a couple of years. Liam McKay stated that in stage 2 consultation will take place to which members asked if they could shape some of the discussions going to stage 3. The Chair advised that the process seemed transparent but wished it would go quicker.

- **Community**

Aaron Uthman (AU) advised that the finale of the Women in Aviation programme concluded in the end of April. The theme of the project was based on sustainability in the aviation industry.

AU advised that LCY's community work continues with the latest round of community fund applications received. AU advised that the airport had run a virtual tour to 30 users of the Tower Project Charity and that the latest edition of Inside E16 had been published and distributed. AU advised that it was important that the airport informed the local community on the airport's restart.

AU advised that the airport launched a new mentoring programme with 15 Billion EBP. The programme will see the airport mentor students from Oasis Academy for two years.

- **Planning and Airport Transport Forum**

Oscar Wong (OW) advised that London Borough of Newham (LBN) has approved to defer two payments due under the CADP Section 106 agreement by twelve months. Two payments relate to



Community Recreation Contributions to LBN and DLR Station Management Contributions to Transport for London. OW advised that the Annual Performance Report 2020 was submitted to the council on 1 June 21 and will be published by the end of the month.

OW advised that the airport had submitted a planning application for Ledger Village to remain in situ until 2026. This will allow the phased transition of operational and airside staff to new airport facilities.

OW advised that the airport was reviewing its electric charging points with an interim strategy for electric vehicle charging being developed for rollout in Q4 2021. OW advised that the London Borough of Tower Hamlets had consulted the airport on its proposed South Poplar Master Plan. The airport suggests improving connectivity between Poplar DLR Station and Canary Wharf Crossrail station that will ultimately provide improved connectivity to LCY once the Crossrail opens in 2022. In addition, the airport has been working closely with Airport Transport Forum members to develop a case for a new Silvertown Crossrail Station.

5. AOB

Members asked about whether the replacement for the Airport Monitoring Officer had been recruited. OW advised that LBN have advertised for the role, while in the meantime the airport is currently reporting into Jennifer Bishop (Principal Aviation Officer).

6. Next meetings

The next meeting of the LCACC will take place at 4.00pm on 16 September 2021 on Microsoft Teams.

The Secretary will send out placeholders for the meetings in the coming weeks. Reminders will be sent closer to the meetings.

Please note all papers can be found electronically on the LCACC website which can be found at www.lcacc.org.