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OF

### **MEETING**

## **AVIATION FORUM**

will meet on

THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 2021

At 7.00 pm

**VIRTUAL MEETING - ONLINE ACCESS** 

TO: MEMBERS OF THE AVIATION FORUM

COUNCILLORS JOHN BOWDEN (CHAIRMAN), DAVID HILTON (VICE-CHAIRMAN), KAREN DAVIES, NEIL KNOWLES AND GERRY CLARK

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

COUNCILLORS DAVID CANNON, GARY MUIR, SHAMSUL SHELIM, HELEN TAYLOR AND AMY TISI

Karen Shepherd - Service Lead - Governance - Issued: February 3rd 2021

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## **AGENDA**

## <u>PART I</u>

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1.	WELCOME	-
	For attendees to introduce themselves to the Forum.	
2.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	-
	To receive any apologies for absence.	
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	5 - 6
	To receive any declarations of interest.	
4.	MINUTES	7 - 10
	To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on February 13 <sup>th</sup> 2020.	
5.	NIGHT FLIGHTS CONSULTATION	-
	To discuss the current Department for Transport consultation on night flights	
	https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/night-flight-restrictions-at-heathrow-gatwick-and-stansted-airports-between-2022-and-2024-plus-future-night-flight-policy/night-flight-restrictions	
6.	SUPREME COURT RULING	-
	To discuss the outcome of the Supreme Court ruling on the proposed third runway at Heathrow.	
7.	NOISE PREFERENTIAL ROUTES	-
	To discuss the above named item.	
8.	THIRD RUNWAY OPPOSITION GROUPS UPDATE	-
	To receive an update on activities relating to groups opposing the proposed third runway at Heathrow Airport.	
9.	PARTNERSHIP BODIES UPDATE	-
	To receive updates regarding key developments from the Heathrow Community Engagement Board, the Local Authorities Aircraft Noise Council, and the Heathrow Community Noise Forum.	
10.	MATTERS ARISING	-
	To consider any other matters arising.	



# Agenda Item 3

#### MEMBERS' GUIDE TO DECLARING INTERESTS IN MEETINGS

#### **Disclosure at Meetings**

If a Member has not disclosed an interest in their Register of Interests, they **must make** the declaration of interest at the beginning of the meeting, or as soon as they are aware that they have a DPI or Prejudicial Interest. If a Member has already disclosed the interest in their Register of Interests they are still required to disclose this in the meeting if it relates to the matter being discussed.

A member with a DPI or Prejudicial Interest may make representations at the start of the item but must not take part in the discussion or vote at a meeting. The speaking time allocated for Members to make representations is at the discretion of the Chairman of the meeting. In order to avoid any accusations of taking part in the discussion or vote, after speaking, Members should move away from the panel table to a public area or, if they wish, leave the room. If the interest declared has not been entered on to a Members' Register of Interests, they must notify the Monitoring Officer in writing within the next 28 days following the meeting.

#### Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) (relating to the Member or their partner) include:

- Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
- Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit made in respect of any expenses occurred in carrying out member duties or election expenses.
- Any contract under which goods and services are to be provided/works to be executed which has not been fully discharged.
- Any beneficial interest in land within the area of the relevant authority.
- Any licence to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
- Any tenancy where the landlord is the relevant authority, and the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:
  - a) that body has a piece of business or land in the area of the relevant authority, and
  - b) either (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body  $\underline{or}$  (ii) the total nominal value of the shares of any one class belonging to the relevant person exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

Any Member who is unsure if their interest falls within any of the above legal definitions should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

A Member with a DPI should state in the meeting: 'I declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in item x because xxx. As soon as we come to that item, I will leave the room/ move to the public area for the entire duration of the discussion and not take part in the vote.'

Or, if making representations on the item: 'I declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in item x because xxx. As soon as we come to that item, I will make representations, then I will leave the room/ move to the public area for the entire duration of the discussion and not take part in the vote.'

#### **Prejudicial Interests**

Any interest which a reasonable, fair minded and informed member of the public would reasonably believe is so significant that it harms or impairs the Member's ability to judge the public interest in the item, i.e. a Member's decision making is influenced by their interest so that they are not able to impartially consider relevant issues.

A Member with a Prejudicial interest should state in the meeting: 'I declare a Prejudicial Interest in item x because xxx. As soon as we come to that item, I will leave the room/ move to the public area for the entire duration of the discussion and not take part in the vote.'

Or, if making representations in the item: 'I declare a Prejudicial Interest in item x because xxx. As soon as we come to that item, I will make representations, then I will leave the room/ move to the public area for the entire duration of the discussion and not take part in the vote.'

#### **Personal interests**

Any other connection or association which a member of the public may reasonably think may influence a Member when making a decision on council matters.

Members with a Personal Interest should state at the meeting: 'I wish to declare a Personal Interest in item x because xxx'. As this is a Personal Interest only, I will take part in the discussion and vote on the matter.

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# Agenda Item 4

#### **AVIATION FORUM**

#### THURSDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2020

PRESENT: Councillors John Bowden (Chairman), David Hilton (Vice-Chairman), Neil Knowles, Gerry Clark and John Baldwin

Officers: Chris Nash, Mark Beeley and Chris Joyce

#### WELCOME

Councillor Hilton started the meeting as Chairman due to Councillor Bowden running late. It was decided that Councillor Hilton would Chair for the duration of the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked those present to introduce themselves.

#### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Duncan Reed and Councillor Davies. Councillor Baldwin was attending as a substitute.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

#### MINUTES

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY; That the minutes from the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were agreed as a true record.

#### MATTERS ARISING

Chris Nash, Community Protection Principal, updated the Forum on the Judicial Review. A verdict was expected by 28<sup>th</sup> February, with the legal team getting an advanced draft copy before the decision was publicly announced.

Paul Groves said that they would be interested in getting people outside the court when the verdict was announced.

Councillor Hilton asked if it would go back to parliament. Chris Nash said that it could be a requirement of the review, but there were a number of options.

#### PROPOSED REVISED BASELINE MONITORING LOCATIONS

Chris Joyce, Head of Infrastructure, Sustainability and Economic Growth, explained to the Forum that there would be a targeted consultation in June, for submission at the end of the year. This would bring an up to date review on noise in areas across RBWM. Chris Joyce asked the Forum if they had any amendments or comments on the consultation.

A representative from Wraysbury Parish Council said that planes flying overhead were regularly reaching 70 or 80 decibels and that there should be a monitoring location in Wraybsbury.

Chris Joyce said that they would have the chance to change some of the locations and that a map with all the current locations of noise monitors would be distributed in due course.

Councillor Hilton said that there were over 30 monitors out to the East of the borough but there was not that many to the West. He suggested that this should be passed on to Heathrow.

Chris Joyce said that the monitors were needed by Heathrow in order to demonstrate that their model replicates reality. Therefore, the monitors needed to be as accurate as possible to provide legitimate evidence for Heathrow's future plans.

Malcolm Beer said that planes were not supposed to fly over Old Windsor and that a monitoring location would be good in Wraysbury. In Windsor, he suggested that somewhere near the lock would be a good location.

#### **EMERGING HSPG ISSUES**

Chris Nash outlined the changes to the expansion programme and said that there was an additional consultation in April. There would be updates on construction plans and the environment mitigation plan but there was still a lack of communication and detail on the impacts from Heathrow. By the end of the year it was planned there would be a submission to planning and Chris Nash said that he would plan the RBWM response to the consultation. He explained that he would meet with Parish Councils to develop a response if the expansion does go ahead and said that the Parishes now have their own forum that they had been getting involved with and working on a joint strategy.

Malcolm Beer asked which Parish Councils were part of the forum which had recently been set up. Chris Nash said that currently Horton and Wraysbury were and there were plans to invite Old Windsor but the forum had not yet been finalised.

Chris Joyce said the idea was for every parish council to have a representative at the forum so that activity could be coordinated.

Councillor Baldwin asked if there were any Maidenhead parishes that were interested in the forum. Chris Joyce said that he was not aware of any interest, but was happy for anyone that was interested to get involved.

A member of the forum asked if RBWM was actively trying to stop the expansion of Heathrow or if it had accepted that the plan was going ahead. Chris Joyce said the first stage was to find out the result of the Judicial Review. From there it was about making a representation to the Development Consent Order and ensuring that environmental and economic issues had been considered. He said that RBWM did not have any decision making power but it was their responsibility to get the best outcome possible.

A resident asked if the UK was part of the Paris Climate Agreement. Chris Joyce said that it was currently receiving Royal Assent and would have a target of being net carbon neutral by 2050. He suggested that it could be used as a political lobbying tool to stop the expansion.

#### PARTNERSHIP BODIES

Councillor Hilton informed the Forum that the Heathrow Community Noise Forum had been discussing rest bite but had not been able to get Heathrow to define what it means. He said that further information would be available at a future HCNF meeting.

Malcom Beer had an update on the Local Authorities Aircraft Noise Council. He said that they were in the process of updating the website in liaison with the director of LAANC. Lots of councils were now involved with the group, but Malcom Beer was keen to encourage more to

join. He asked if there could also be an increase in involvement from other councils in the HSPG.

Chris Nash said that it was a political decision whether councils got involved with the group and that he had been in discussions with officers at other local authorities.

Councillor Bowden said that there was little activity with the Heathrow Community Engagement Board. They had not responded to his email and there were no future meetings currently planned.

Malcom Beer said that the agenda should say 'Local Authorities Aircraft Noise Council' rather than 'Local Authority Aircraft Noise Council'.

#### **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Members noted the date of the next meeting in May.

It was agreed that there would be an additional meeting in March to discuss the result of the Judicial Review. Details of this would be circulated in due course by Democratic Services.

The meeting, which began at 7.00 pm, finished at 8.45 pm				
	CHAIRMAN			
	DATE			

