

GLOUCESTERSHIRE AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Précis Minutes Thursday 20th February 2020

Present - 13 members, 1 representative from Gloucestershire Airport (GAL) + Minutes Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed as a true copy.

Consultative Committee Matters

The existing Chairman was endorsed for a further 12 months in position. The current Vice-Chairman is stepping down, and at this stage this position remains vacant

Airport Memorial Update

The “Thank you” plaque still needs to be erected inside the terminal building.

Airport Management Matters

The representative of GAL gave the following updates:

1. Radar update – NATS were visited in February regarding a radar feed proposal. It is planned that the current infrastructure is retired. A new feed would provide primary and secondary radar and provide ATC with a reliable picture of aircraft in the local area and beyond. Funding will need to be approved for the project including the radar feed, new displays in the tower and controller training. Timescales 12-18 months
2. Runways – The structural surveys on 27/09 and 22/04 are now complete. Options are being discussed with specialist companies. The plan is to fully re-profile and resurface 27/09 to a high standard.
Runway 22/04 will also be improved, to a lower standard, so that the airport retains an into wind runway which is important for flying schools and training
Runway 18/36 - this runway could be closed permanently but part retained as a taxiway
Management will have a better idea of timescales during early summer 2020. It is hoped the work can be done in stages at night to avoid disruption to airport operations. Consideration will be given to the local community regarding excessive noise
The representative from GAL stated that there has been a lot of negativity from airport users, however this is a good news story, although it will take time to be achieved

Environment

Nothing to report

Noise Complaints

	Number of complaints	Total number of movements
November 2019	5 Complaints	4735 movements
December 2019	7 Complaints	4259 movements
January 2019	11 Complaints	5113 movements

Planning

The Northern side, Site B, is pre-let for when all infrastructure is in place. This will be post-2020. An update will be given at the next meeting. An update will also be given as to how the GFirst LEP monies were used

Security

Nothing to report

Airspace

Nothing to report

AOB

Nothing to report

The Jet Age Museum

Visitor numbers are up on previous years. A lottery bid is planned to assist with future plans.