GLOUCESTERSHIRE AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY 21st May 2015

Précis of minutes for publication on Airport website & Airport Notice Board

Present – 7 members + Minutes Secretary + 1 representative from Gloucestershire Airport (GAL)

Apologies - received from 5 Members + 2 representatives of Gloucestershire Airport (GAL)

<u>Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th February 2015</u>
The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th February 2015 were approved by those present and signed by the Chairman as a true record

Matters Arising Not Covered by the Agenda

Gloucestershire Airport staff are attending the Ebace convention in Geneva and the Aero-Expo Exhibition at Sywell Airfield, Northampton

Further to guestions from the member for Brockworth Parish Council and the member for Local Interests regarding the Triumph Aerospace development, the Airport Director confirmed that approval had been given to commence build on the Golden Castle Caravan site. All planning applications have been completed and build was expected to begin within the next few weeks.

The Airport Director added that Triumph Aerospace had agreed to cover the Planning costs incurred by the Jet Age Museum. All Safeguarding and technical details have been made. It has been agreed between Triumph and Golden Castle Caravans that caravans may be stored on the site until development work commences.

The member for Local interests enquired as to the size of the new building, the Airport Director replied that the building would be the size of a Hangar.

The Chairman asked if Triumph would use the Airport facilities. The Airport Director replied, it was possible that in the future they may utilize some of the Airport services.

Future Events

There are currently no future events planned

Consultative Committee Matters

The Chairman and Committee Members passed on their thanks to the retiring member who had represented Down Hatherley Parish Council on the Consultative Committee since 2011. A new member would now be representing Down Hatherley Parish Council

Airport & Tenants User Group (ATUG)

The member representing Local Interests reported that the ATUG funds have now been released and a Bank Account has been opened.

<u>Airport Management Matters</u>

The Airport Director reported the Airport Shareholders have now agreed to and signed the 3 year Business Plan and the 10 year Capital Expenditure Plan (CAPEX) has been approved. A presentation was given to staff and this was positively received.

The Yorke Aviation Report included various recommendations to the Shareholders and among these were changes to the staff structure at Board and Management level. These will be implemented in the near future

Scheduled Services: The new EasyJet service operating from Bristol to the IOM, has not so far impacted on the Gloucester service. Discussions are still ongoing with other operators for services to Scotland, Glasgow being the preferred option, however there is nothing definite to report.

The Airport Director reported he was working with the LEP for the release of the Grant which was awarded to undertake infrastructure work. There is currently no Hangarage available and GAL are keen to commence building work. GAL has already received a conditional offer letter for the Grant

Environment Report

Solar Panels: Nothing further to report

Green Policy: Nothing further to report

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Bus Service: The Airport Director confirmed the Bus service would remain but unfortunately the train station route would not be reintroduced. The Bus service is proving very popular with staff and students working at the Airport. The member representing Gloucestershire County Council thought the 94 Bus service could be diverted to include the Airport as it is now using Bamfurlong Lane due to the resurfacing of Cheltenham Road with no detrimental effect to the service

Head of Operations – Report of Public Noise Complaints

There were 95 Noise Complaints received during the three monthly period of February, March and April made up as follows:

72 x Bamfurlong Lane

- 4 x Davids Fields
- 1 x Rushworth Close
- 1 x Stoke Orchard
- 2 x Gloucester Road
- 1 x Haw Bridge
- 1 x Prestbury
- 4 x Churchdown
- 1 x Up Hatherley
- 1 x Chaceley Lodge
- 2 x Northway
- 2 x Down Hatherely
- 1 x Westbury on Severn
- 1 x Tallis Road, Highgrove Estate
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These complaints were from a total of 18,633 movements and 1432 Instrument Approaches

By way of comparison during the same period in 2014 there were 105 complaints received against 17269 movements and 1328 Instrument approaches

<u>Airport Management – Report of Recent Planning Applications</u>

- 1. The Triumph Aerospace Application has been approved
- 2. A Certificate of lawfulness for development of the South Side. Design of this area is still being completed with consideration being given to the Cycle Track, Sub Station, Klargester etc.

The Chairman enquired if this development is what LEP Grant will be used for, the Airport Director replied yes and explained that currently there will be one Hangar built in the initial phase

The Airport Director confirmed GAL were still working with the JCS and the TBC local plan

The planning application for 3 Storey town houses near the Airport have been looked at for any technical issues and there appears to be no complications as far as the Airport is concerned

Airport Security Situation

Nothing to report at the meeting; however the Airport Director issued the following Crime and Incident data to the Chairman the following day:

Gloucestershire Airport

Reported Crime = 0

Reported Incidents of Note = 1

Reported Incidents (Miscellaneous) = 17

Anson Business Park

Reported Crime = 0

Reported Incidents = 0

Bamfurlong Industrial Park / Staverton Industrial Estate

Reported Crime = 0

Reported Incidents = 1

Meteor Business Park

Reported Crime = 0

Reported Incidents = 0

Any Other Business

The member representing Gloucestershire County Council mentioned that he had received an unofficial complaint regarding an aircraft performing aerobatics for a long period of time over Churchdown. The Airport Director explained that this particular Aircraft is used for Aerobatic displays and the Pilot is a former RAF Pilot who has special CAA dispensation to carry out such manoeuvres and at low level. The flights are restricted and are subject to other Air Traffic. The Airport Director would relay to the Pilot any comments/complaints, in particular the duration of the flights

Date of Next Meeting

The Next Meeting will be held on Thursday 20th August 2015 at 1800 hrs Meeting closed at 1900 hrs