

Committee: Stansted Airport Advisory Panel

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Title: Actions and monitoring of the Section 106 Agreement relating to the expansion of Stansted Airport from 15-25 mppa

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Summary

- 1 This report advises Panel Members on the actions and monitoring of those parts of the Agreement that has taken place to date. The information in this report is up to date as at 18/7/03.

Background

- 2 Outline planning permission for the expansion of Stansted Airport from 15-25mppa was granted by Uttlesford District Council on 16 May 2003. The outline planning permission is subject to a Section 106 Agreement, which places various obligations upon the airport operator that are triggered at times between the grant of the permission and by the end of 2010.

Events Required by the Agreement

- 3 Work has started on the production of a bus/coach study identifying how bus/coach services can contribute to 37% air passenger public transport usage by 2010. Halcrow have been appointed by BAA Stansted to prepare the study. Representatives from Halcrow attended a meeting of the Stansted Area Transport Forum's Bus/Coach Working Group on 29/5/03 when the brief for the study was agreed. A copy of a draft report is awaited, the final results of the study being required to be submitted to this Council by the end of the year.
- 4 Similarly, Halcrow have been appointed to develop schemes to monitor the impact of the 15-25mppa development on the Highway Agency, airport and local road networks. A discussion paper was presented to the meeting of the Stansted Area Transport Forum's Highway Infrastructure Working Group on 19/5/03, which is now being looked at by all relevant stakeholders including this Council and Essex County Council. The approved schemes are required to be implemented by December 2004 (i.e 6 months after the opening of the new A120 to Braintree). On a related issue, a meeting between BAA Stansted, this Council and Essex County Council is being arranged for next month to discuss how to carry out a local fly parking study, which is required to be undertaken by 16/11/03.
- 5 An annual meeting of the Stansted Area Transport Forum took place at Bury Lodge Barn on 17/7/03. A copy of a synopsis of the main points made by the invited speakers has appeared in the Members' Bulletin. Quarterly meetings

of the various Working Groups have also recently taken place, which are attended by officers of this Council.

- 6 BAA Stansted has recently undertaken a 2002/3 employment survey. Presentation of the results of the survey to this Council and to the Stansted Airport Employment and Business Forums is awaited. The Agreement requires that a new survey be subsequently carried out not less than once every 5 years.
- 7 The Council has been notified that BAA Stansted is preparing material (consisting of leaflets, letters to affected residents etc) to enable it to carry out, on the DfT's behalf, consultation on the noise insulation grants scheme. It is also intended that the leaflets are to be available at Enterprise House and at Council Offices, including in Bishops Stortford.
- 8 BAA Stansted's new Environment Manager has had initial discussions with the Council's Principal Environmental Health Officer over the commissioning and undertaking of an odour study by 16/5/05. Similarly, the Environment Manager is arranging to meet with English Nature, the National Trust and this Council to discuss an airport biodiversity management and maintenance scheme and a base line flora and fauna study. The former is required to be submitted to this Council for approval by 31/3/04 and the latter by 16/5/04.
- 9 It is expected that discussions will shortly commence over the submission of an application for planning permission for a new ground running facility, which must be operational by 30/9/04.

Background Papers: Application file