

**STANSTED AIRPORT ADVISORY PANEL held at COUNCIL OFFICES  
LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN at 7.30 pm on 26 APRIL 2004**

Present:- Councillor P A Wilcock – Chairman.  
Councillors K R Artus, J F Cheetham, A Dean, M L Foley,  
E J Godwin and J P Murphy.

Officers in Attendance:- W Cockerell, R Harborough and R Kirmani.

**SA37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Apologies for absence was received from Councillors R M Lemon and  
A R Thawley

The following Members declared their interest as members of SSE and drew  
attention to the dispensation from the Standards Committee:-

Councillors K R Artus, J F Cheetham, A Dean, E J Godwin, J P Murphy and  
P A Wilcock.

**SA38 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2004 were received, confirmed  
and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**SA39 MATTERS ARISING**

**(i) Progress Report**

The Panel requested the Planning Policy and Conservation Manager to send  
them a list of Airlines who had been refused permits to fly to Stansted Airport  
due to safety reasons and WEB site address to access further information.

**(ii) BAA Stansted Home Owner Support Scheme: A Consultation**

The Principal Environmental Health Officer informed the Panel that the closing  
date for the consultation document had been extended up to 31 May 2004. At  
the last meeting it was agreed that a suitable response on the Consultation  
document be sent to BAA. It was agreed that this response should be  
circulated to all Members of this Panel for their comments.

A letter was sent to all tenants in the footprint area informing them of the  
consultation process by BAA and only one response to date was received.  
Members were requested to decide the strategy regarding the Council tenants  
who would be affected if the proposed second runway at Stansted went  
ahead.

Members agreed that the Council should robustly pursue BAA regarding the  
Council houses which would be lost in the proposed development.

Councillor Dean said that there was need to look at the issues in parallel and there was need to support residents in the most appropriate way.

Councillor Artus requested that a summary of various options offered by the BAA should be circulated to all Members.

#### SA40 **LEGAL CHALLENGE – UPDATE**

The Planning Policy & Conservation Manager informed the Panel that the Legal Challenge documentations were submitted to the High Court on 26 April 2004. The Judge would consider all documents and decide whether there was a case for a legal challenge or not. This process might take three months

#### SA41 **REGIONAL PLANNING STUDIES- UPDATE**

The Planning Policy and Conservation Manager informed the Panel of progress with the umbrella study being conducted for the ODPM by Colin Buchanan and Partners, studies of the Harlow area and a review of the study work of the wider Harlow/A120 corridor. Additional studies commissioned by GO east and EEDA would look at implications of the second runway on employment, housing and urbanisation and surface access. A Member reference group meeting of the Buchanan study would be held on 18 May 2004. The final report of the Buchanan study is expected in the Summer. Councillor Cheetham said that the terms of reference for the studies and research commissioned by GO East/EEDA should be looked at.

#### SA42 **AIRPORT MASTER PLANS**

The Panel considered the report which outlined the concept of airport master plans and commented on their potential significance.

The Local Government Association SASIG generally supported the concept of master plans provided it was clear that they were the property of the airport operators and not part of the policy framework for determining planning applications or preparing development plans.

Councillor Dean said that the Council should support the concept of the master plan.

#### SA43 **SECOND RUNWAY STRATEGY**

The Panel considered two separate strands to the strategy which were the formal regulatory/statutory process and the informal campaign process. In relation to both the aviation and housing issues the Council would need to take the appropriate decisions at the right time and ensure it was at the top table negotiating with others to get the best for the district. The Policy Planning and Conservation Manager informed the Panel that a meeting between the Regional Assembly and East of England MP'S had been arranged for 11 May 2004.

Councillor Dean said that the Council should concentrate on lobbying the Regional Assembly and seek to avoid it supporting a second runway before full environmental impact assessments had been considered.

**SA44 ACTION AND MONITORING OF SECTION 106 AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE EXPANSION OF STANSTED AIRPORT FROM 15-25 mppa**

Members received a report on the action and monitoring of those parts of the Section 106 Agreement that had taken place to date. The information in this report was up to date as at 14 April 2004. Members suggested format of this report would be used for the next meeting on 26 July 2004.

Councillor Artus suggested that the format should be used for reporting not only section 106 issues but also other important environmental monitoring at Stansted which concerned the Council.

**SA45 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT CONSULTATION PAPER ON PROPOSED REVOCATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY AIR TRANSPORT LIMIT FOR STANSTED AIRPORT**

The Planning Policy & Conservation Manager informed the Members of the Government's proposals to remove the Parliamentary control on total annual number of passenger air transport movements (PATM) at Stansted which was currently a limited to (PATM) of 185,000 a year. The proposal was a consequence of the planning permission granted by the Council in May 2003, a condition of which was that the number of ATM's including cargo air transport movements did not exceed 241,000 a year. The Council's response to the Department for Transport would point out that this revised limit was not yet in force because the development had not yet been implemented and was unlikely to be until February 2005.

The Panel noted the consultation paper.

**SA46 STACC MEETING**

The Panel requested that the Chairman and Councillor Artus raise the BAA's 'Housing Guarantee scheme' and 'Home Ownership scheme' at STACC and highlight that these schemes failed to address the interest of tenants occupying both private and council homes in the affected areas.

**SA47 AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

The following items to be included as Agenda items for the next meeting:-

- a) Post 25mppa planning application process;
- b) Regional planning and its implications;
- c) Legal Challenge;
- d) Bus and coach operations

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**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15 June 2004.

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm.