

**STANSTED AIRPORT ADVISORY PANEL held at COUNCIL OFFICES  
LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN at 7.30pm on 13 DECEMBER 2004**

Present: Councillor P A Wilcock – Chairman,  
Councillors K R Artus, J F Cheetham, A Dean, R M Lemon,  
J P Murphy, and A R Thawley.

Also present: Councillor C Cant.

Officers in attendance: V Borges, R Harborough, and W Cockerell.

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**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor G Sell.

Councillors K Artus, C Cant, J Cheetham, A Dean, R Lemon, J Murphy, A Thawley and P Wilcock declared their interests as members of SSE and drew attention to the dispensation from the Standards Committee.

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**BAA STANSTED – THE SUSTAINABILITY REPORT 2003/04**

The Panel considered the Sustainability Report 2003/04, which had been produced by BAA Stansted to demonstrate its commitment to sustainable development to all its community neighbours and to record the work that had been completed.

The Panel made a number of comments:

- BAA Stansted were to be requested to clarify the tonnage of small business jets that were included in the absolute number of Chapter 2 movements 2003/04.
- They noted the correct passenger profile data should have appeared on page three of the report. The Panel thought that it was significant that 79% of passengers were in the two highest social groups.
- The report expressed BAA Stansted's commitment to stakeholder involvement. However, the Panel felt that this was not reflected in STAL's refusal to release full information and statistics when the Panel had requested it. For instance disclosure of the questions asked of residents on HOSS by MORI. The Chair proposed that this issue would be brought up with BAA at the Stansted Airport Consultative Committee meeting in January.
- The Panel commented that the data given in most sections of the report only enabled an assessment against target. Especially in relation to air quality, trend data would enable the audience for the Report to fully assess the airport's sustainability performance.
- The Panel would endeavour to gather evidence of the explanation of non-EU airport workers, which it believed was taking place, and to raise BAA Stansted's awareness of the issue.
- The Airport Energy Management Strategy had been submitted to the Council and was still being considered.

- The potential to display historic artefacts from the airport development site within the terminal was raised by the Panel again. The issue of storing archaeological finds from the airport was unresolved. Until the Council agreed a scheme, the BAA contribution would not be released.
- The Panel would request BAA Stansted to provide information on the amount of fuel supplied on airport to aircraft and to road vehicles for use airport.
- The commentary on page 12 about Airport operations under the Climate Change heading was hard to understand. A more straightforward approach was needed.
- BAA Stansted be requested to provide Co2 and other emissions data for the last three years in order for the Panel to fully assess the impact to the district.
- The Panel was concerned that the STACC Community Fund should not be wound up when the Community Trust is established. It would pursue the status of both initiatives.
- BAA should use other techniques beside average Laeq to depict community exposure to air noise.
- BAA Stansted to be requested to clarify the waste that they were able to recycle.
- Councillor Thawley offered to look at the BAA Waste Management Strategy and make comments.
- BAA Stansted to be requested to provide the full Environmental Resources Management Audit report.

During the meeting the Planning Policy and Conservation Manager handed out a letter from BAA Stansted dated 10 December. The letter was in answer to some specific questions relating to employment issues and in particular the use of agencies to recruit staff, the proportion of non-EU staff and the number of staff with temporary work permits. However the Panel were dissatisfied by BAA Stansted's response. The Panel, expressed concern about the implications for security and police checks especially of non-EU staff and BAA would be asked to clarify new staff security checking procedures for both EU and non-EU citizens.

It was further agreed that all the BAA Stansted specific comments would be formulated into a letter providing BAA Stansted with feedback on its Report, and inviting a response.

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### **STRATEGIC AVIATION SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SASIG)**

The Planning Policy and Conservation Manager handed out a document from SASIG, as a response to BAA's consultation on its proposals for protecting against aircraft noise and protecting against blight by 21 December 2004. The Panel agreed to read the document and to provide the Planning Policy and Conservation Manager with any feedback to inform response to BAA by the deadline.

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Councillor Cant provided the Panel with a brief summary of her notes taken from the Health Assessment meeting. She outlined the proposed arrangements for the Health Impact Assessment of further development at the airport and the possible scope of a proposed long term monitoring study of the health of the community around the airport. She advised the Panel that it was proposed that the scope of the long-term study would be advised by the recommendations of the expert Health Impact Assessment. The Principal Environmental Health Officer outlined his investigations of the studies into the effects of the airport activity on school children in the Heathrow area, with the academics who had conducted the work, and the lessons that could be learnt from their approach.

SA 92            **HOME OWNERS SUPPORT SCHEME (HOSS)**

Councillor J Cheetham informed the Panel about a recent meeting of the local councils called by Takeley Parish Council on the Home Owners Support Scheme. She commented that Takeley Parish Council's views were not reflected in the HOSS as approved by BAA Stansted. She had been asked at the meeting for the District Council's position on the scheme as approved, and it was decided that a further report on HOSS would need to be considered at the January meeting of the Panel.

SA 93            **JUDICAL REVIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT'S AIR TRANSPORT WHITE PAPER**

Councillor A Dean briefly outlined the proceedings in the High Court, which had started that day.

The meeting ended at 9:15pm