

**STANSTED AIRPORT ADVISORY PANEL held at COUNCIL CHAMBER -
COUNCIL OFFICES, LONDON ROAD, SAFFRON WALDEN, CB11 4ER, on
TUESDAY, 20 MARCH 2018 at 7.00 pm**

Present: Councillor K Artus (Chairman)
Councillors T Farthing, M Foley, A Gerard and M Lemon

Officers in attendance: A Bochel (Democratic Services Officer), R Harborough (Director - Public Services) and J Pine (Planning Policy/Development Management Liaison Officer)

Also present: Councillors A Dean, B Light and J Lodge, M Peachey and B Ross.

SP5 STOP STANSTED EXPANSION UPDATE - PRESENTATION

B Ross and M Peachey gave a presentation providing an update on the work of Stop Stansted Expansion. A copy of this presentation is included as appendices to these minutes.

Members noted that one view that could be taken was there was a lack of strategically joined-up thinking regarding planning application transport assessments and the Council's draft Local Plan. They said it was in the interests of Uttlesford that major infrastructure interrelationships be given appropriate time for consideration.

The Director – Public Services said Stop Stansted Expansion had now been invited to a meeting with Uttlesford District Council regarding the application to expand Stansted Airport.

The Director – Public Services said Uttlesford District Council were not legally committed to the published planning decision deadline, and that it was only a target. There were no penalties for not meeting this date. The target date could be extended if the Council decided there was not enough information provided to decide on the application.

Members noted that many councillors had been concerned with lobbying tactics for emails supporting the application.

SP6 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Fairhurst and Ryles.

SP7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting on 3 October 2018 were approved and signed as a correct record.

SP8 **SECTION 106 OBLIGATIONS UPDATE**

The Planning Policy / Development Management Liaison Officer said the main change since the report last year was that the planning permission for expansion to 35 million passengers per annum had now been implemented.

Two obligations relating to expansion to 25mppa had however not been complied with. These were:

- Planning permission for a visitor centre. This had not been developed because of security concerns over the location at the time.
- Funding towards the cost of the construction and running of a materials recycling facility was not provided because the District Council did not proceed with the scheme.

The Planning Policy / Development Management Liaison Officer said some 35mppa obligations were ahead of their implementation schedule while others were behind. At the request of the Chairman, the next update to the Panel could focus more on outcomes.

SP9 **CURRENT UDC INTERACTION WITH THE AIRPORT (NON PLANNING) - VERBAL REPORT**

The Director – Public Services said Uttlesford District Council was the airport's Port Health Authority, it provided the border inspection post and the Environmental Health Team monitored food hygiene issues and in-flight catering. The Council was also engaged in discussions with the airport about off-airport parking, and a multi-agency taskforce would be convened to examine issues relating to this.

SP10 **DISTRICT TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE - DISCUSSION**

Councillor Artus said members were concerned by a lack of strategic vision, and that transport developments did not encompass the needs of each other. He said the lack of strategic vision was compounded by the fact that the district plan did not consider passenger numbers beyond the current permissions and also that the airport's transport plan did not consider the impact of the local plan.

The Director – Public Services said Essex County Council, as the region's Highways Authority was fully engaged with Manchester Airport Group's application.

The meeting ended at 8.35pm.