## FARNBOROUGH AERODROME CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

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# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9th MARCH 2017 AT RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### **Present:**

Philip Riley FACC Chairman

Simon Ambler Hart DC

David Attfield Farnham Town Council

Julie Black Church Crookham Parish Council

William Cole Ash PC
John Gregory Secretary
Peter Isherwood Waverley BC

Norman Lambert Crondall Parish Council

C. Main Mytchett Deepcut & Frimley Green

Geoff Marks FARA

Jenny Radley Fleet & Church Crookham Society

Cllr. James Radley Hart DC

Jonathan Smith Farnborough International

Mike Talbot NATS

MartinTennantRushmoor BCMilesThomasTAG FarnboroughRogerWalkerTAG Farnborough

#### **Item 1 - Apologies:**

Wally Epton WJE

Brandon O'Reilly TAG Farnborough

Chris Pitt Surrey CC Cllr. Paul Taylor Rushmoor BC

Marwan Khalek

# Item 2. Minutes of Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and Matters Arising

The minutes were agreed as a correct record. Jenny Radley referred to issues regarding reverse thrust and the need to explain to local residents that this is at the pilot's discretion and only used where required. The use of reverse thrust is not a matter of record so it is not possible for TAG to follow up on questions concerning the occasions when this procedure is used.

#### **Item 3.** TAG Information Reports

Roger Walker reported that growth was very flat with an increase of 0.2% up compared

with the same time in 2016. February 2017 growth was up 1.7%.

On Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> February there were 145 movements, many of which were related to people returning from skiing holidays at the end of half term. This activity necessitated the introduction of flow management of the London Terminal Movement Area (LTMA) due to volumes.

TAG attended trade shows in Dallas and Dubai and Brandon O'Reilly was attending a trade conference on the day of the committee meeting which necessitated sending his apologies.

Jonathan Smith reported that Hall 1 should be completed in February 2018.

# Item 4. TAG Reports.

Miles presented his report to the committee. Bill Cole thanked TAG for its response to queries from residents in Ash Vale. Geoff Marks referred to the number of heavy movements within planning control and reiterated his concerns that government flights are not treated as movements. Roger Walker stated that TAG operates strictly within planning permission.

# Item 5. Air Space Change Proposal Update

Roger Walker reported that the feedback report had been prepared and submitted to CAA on 15<sup>th</sup> December. On 17<sup>th</sup> December CAA "started the clock again" for the 16 week period it has to consider the submission. Roger Walker will update the committee as soon as there is any news from CAA.

Geoff Marks said the CAA has confirmed its role in the approval of airspace change proposals does not extend to the establishment of Noise Preferential Routes (NPR). Government policy, broadly, is that operations below 7000 feet should follow NPR's. The question arising is who has the final say in the determination of the NPRs? Rushmoor, in its role as a land use Planning Authority, agreed to explain to the committee the responsibilities it has in this process.

The committee agreed that, at the invitation from Cllr. Tennant, Geoff would contact Rushmoor with a specific question re. the land use implications of NRPs. Geoff offered to share the question to Rushmoor with the committee and Cllr. Tennant agreed to share his reply with the Committee.

Action: Geoff Marks and Cllr. Tennant.

### **Item 6.** Questions from Members of the Public.

Hugh Shepard drew the committee's attention to systems for controlling aircraft and how this would change in relation to the air space change proposals. The aim must be to benefit the system overall. James Radley referred to the air space change proposal and capacity issues in relation to Class G. NATS referred to problems associated with unidentified aircraft and it is hoped that this issue will be reduced following the introduction of the ACP. Hamish Johnson referred to extra commercial aircraft and



queried whether all of these were business related. Roger Walker stated that TAG does not operate commercial flights and all aircraft operate under the criteria set under the planning permission.

## Item 8. Matters Raised by the Committee not on the Agenda

There were no matters raised by the committee not on the agenda.

The Chairman reported that in spite of several invitations no issues had been raised by the committee in relation to presentations. He suggested that at some stage following a response from CAA on the ACP, NATS be invited to make a presentation to the committee.

### **Item 9.** Date of next Meeting

#### All meetings at RushmoorBorough Council Offices

The next meetings of the committee in 2017 will take place on:

- Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup> 2017
- Thursday 9th November