

## Suggested Noise Subgroup Committee Terms of Reference

### Purpose:

The role of the Noise Sub-Committee ('NSC') is to facilitate effective engagement across all community and stakeholder groups in relation to noise attributed to aircraft operating from Farnborough Airport Ltd (the 'Airport').

As in the case of the FACC of which it is a sub-committee, the NSC has the same standing as the FACC, its effectiveness depends upon the cooperation and constructive participation of its membership. The NSC addresses noise issues at a strategic and technical level. It does not itself make decisions; its power comes from its ability to make evidence-based recommendations to the FACC.

The Noise Sub-Subgroup Committee has been established to:

- Improve understanding between the Airport and FACC members to aid messaging to the communities and stakeholders around the Airport with regard to Noise.
- Provide input and guidance in relation to the Airport's community noise monitoring programme, in accordance with its commitments.

### Objectives:

- Aid and support communication and engagement with respect to noise and track keeping.
- Develop and subsequently oversee the process for assessing locations for community noise monitoring.
- Develop the content for reports from the community noise monitoring sites including appropriate and relevant noise metrics.
- Facilitate constructive engagement with local community groups concerned about aircraft noise in their area.

### Principles:

All members of the NSC are expected to:

- Recognise the legal right of Farnborough Airport Ltd to operate within the agreed constraints of its approved planning conditions, in accordance with the CAA licence, and to be compliant with Government aviation policy and guidance.
- Understand and respect members views and work through consensus where possible.
- Consider the wider views of their FACC stakeholder group and to establish or use existing mechanisms to gather those views where necessary and present them in a balanced way.
- At all times act with honesty, integrity, and transparency.
- Participate actively in discussions.
- Commit to keeping their communities informed.
- Follow and be bound by the Terms of the FACC Constitution.

Topics:

The NSC topics and items will usually fall into the following categories, the list is not exhaustive and other topics may be introduced or requested:

- FAL Operations
- Airspace change
- Management of aircraft noise
- Data verification
- Data analysis
- Noise monitoring
- Noise modelling
- Complaint trends
- Complaint communications

At meetings, the NSC will concentrate on those categories, which are most relevant at the time.

Membership of the NSC:

The Chairperson and Secretariat will be provided by the Airport.

Membership of the NSC must be nominated members from the FACC and agreed by them, it consists of two representatives (and a alternate/substitute/deputy) from the 3 distinct groupings. The alternate/substitute/deputy will be the same person as that nominated to the main Committee to act when the Member is indisposed.

With the agreement of members, professional experts could be brought if it would be appropriate to do so, any costs will be subject to Airport approval.

Meetings Arrangements:

The NSC will sit 3 times a year, approximately one month before the FACC general meeting, and the meeting will be timetabled for 2 hours. Meetings will be held at the Airport and/or online.

Members are expected to attend all meetings, although attendance is voluntary; any cost associated with attendance or activity related to the NSC is the responsibility of the individual or group they represent. Where a member does not attend two (2) consecutive meetings, the FACC reserves the right to invite an alternative member of FACC to represent the appropriate stakeholders.

Members should propose items for the agenda to the secretariat, no later than 2 weeks before the meeting. Papers should be circulated to members a week in advance of the meeting.

Decisions and recommendations will be reached by consensus. In the event that it is not possible to reach consensus on any matter, after exhausting all reasonable efforts, a decision can be made by a simple majority of members in attendance.

The meetings are not open to the public. Minutes of the meeting should be provided to the FACC in good time for inclusion in the next FACC meeting and will therefore become available to the public at that time.

Review Cycle:

The effectiveness of the NSC, together with a review of the Terms of Reference will be reviewed by the membership after 3 meetings and reported to the FACC.

FARNBOROUGH AERODROME CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

**Noise Subgroup-Committee Members**

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**USERS (2)**

**LOCAL AUTHORITIES (2)**

**LOCAL INTERESTS (2)**

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