

# EXETER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXETER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE FLYBE TRAINING ACADEMY, EXETER AIRPORT ON WEDNESDAY, 24 MAY 2017

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Councillor Richard Bartlett (Chairman) Chris Lane John Smith Councillor Dave Montgomery  Matt Roach Councillor Jo Geri Councillor Ian Holmes Sam Thomas Councillor Phil Twiss Councillor Ray Bloxham Councillor Christopher Scanes Andy Wood Jerry Wellen Lynne Askew	Woodbury Parish Council  East Devon District Council East Devon District Council Rockbeare Parish Council Clyst Honiton Community Association EDAL Ottery St Mary Town Council Ottery St Mary Town Council EDDC Planning EDDC Cranbrook Town Council Aylesbeare Parish Council EEDGP Rockbeare Parish Council Clyst Honiton Parish Council
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Ian Payne Angela Fletcher Don Axford Henry Gent	DAAT Farringdon Parish Council Aylesbeare Parish Council Broadclyst Parish Council

The meeting started at 3.35 pm and ended at 4.35 pm.

- \*1 **Election of Chairman**  
**RESOLVED** that Richard Bartlett be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.
- \*2 **Appointment of Vice Chairman**  
**RESOLVED** that Angela Fletcher be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.
- \*3 **Appointment of Secretary**  
**RESOLVED** that East Devon District Council be invited to continue to provide the secretary to service the Consultative Group meetings for the year.
- \*4 **Chairman's remarks**  
The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting of the Consultative Committee. He commented on the excellent presentation on the FAB project by Chris Jenner, Development Manager, which had proceeded the Committee meeting and that would be his last year as Chairman of the Committee. He thanked East Devon District Council for their support for the Airports purchase of a new Instrument Landing System.
- \*5 **Minutes**  
The minutes of the meeting held on the 17 February 2017, were confirmed and signed as a true record.

\*6 **Declarations of interest**

Councillor Phil Twiss – Minute 9

Interest: Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Reason: Owns a travel business

\*7 **Establishment of Controlled Airspace**

Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL, reported on the Airports proposal to establish controlled airspace around it and advised that the consultation ended on the 9 June.

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman write to Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL expressing the Committee's support for Exeter Airport's airspace change proposal.

\*8 **Noise report for the Airport**

John Smith, Environmental Health Officer, reported that there was nothing further to update the Committee on.

\*9 **Report of the Managing Director**

Consideration was given to the report of Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL.

The Consultative Committee noted that passenger numbers for February 2017 were 11% higher than last year, and 7% up on budget. March was 13% up on the previous year, and 3% up on budget. Passenger traffic in April was 22% up on previous year and 7% up against budget. Passenger numbers were 6% up on last year and this was the fourth consecutive year of growth of passenger numbers for the Airport.

Matt Roach, Managing Director EDAL, further reported on the recent Manchester trade mission with DCBC/Flybe and business talks held with the Devon and Brixham Chambers of Commerce and the Torbay Business Forum. Councillor Phil Twiss, East Devon District Council, asked what could be done to improve the customer experience for inbound passengers. Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL, confirmed that there were areas around the Airport that were being improved and that consideration was being given to the future purchase of a covered walkway for inbound passengers.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

\*10 **Report from Flybe representative**

In the absence of Paul Willoughby there was no update report from Flybe.

\*11 **Land North of Old Tithebarn Lane. Clyst Honiton – planning application – 17/1019/MOUT**

Members expressed their concern over the closeness of the proposed development of 900 houses to the end of the runway and whether this may curtail future expansion of the Airport. This proposal had received approval in August 2016 and was being resubmitted so it be dealt with under CIL rather than S106 funding. The development was in the Local Plan and there was nothing the Consultative Committee could do to prevent its approval.

Despite this Members wished to express their disappointment that this development could constrain future development for the Airport.

\*11 **Complaints Handling**

There had been one complaints that had been received from Exeter regarding a noisy Royal Mail flight at 2.45am that had gone out late due to operational reasons.

\*12 **Date of the next meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the next ordinary meeting of the Consultative Committee be held on Wednesday, 19 July 2017, commencing at 3.15 pm.

Chairman ..... Date .....