

## EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Exeter Airport Consultative Committee held at Meeting Room, Airport House, Exeter Airport on 29 January 2020

### **Attendance list at end of document**

The meeting started at 3.15 pm and ended at 4.20 pm

#### 38 Welcome and Thanks

The Chairman, Councillor Richard Bartlett welcomed all members to the meeting and wished to thank Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL and the Airport staff for the lunch and tour of the terminal building before the meeting.

#### 39 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

#### 40 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2019, were confirmed and signed as a true record. It was noted that the Airport had received the Committee's request to change the wording of the Noise Abatement Procedure for runway 26 and were giving this consideration.

#### 41 Matters Arising

Richard Bartlett, Chairman, reported that there had been two planning applications since the last meeting. Neither had raised safeguarding issues within the Airport.

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Members discussed details of the Silverdown and Long Lane road improvement scheme.

The Silverdown Lane link was to the rear of the Flybe Training Academy and was needed in the first instance to provide a diversionary route. This would avoid traffic having to be diverted via Aylesbeare whilst the works to widen Long Lane are implemented. This scheme had now received planning permission and was necessary in the first instance to provide a diversionary route.

Long Lane – this was the section from the junction with the B3184 to the Training Academy/Air Park land. The works to widen this stretch of road would be disruptive and could not proceed until the diversionary route via Silverdown Lane was operational.

This work would help improve access to the Flybe Walker Hangar, Flybe Academy and Hampton-by-Hilton hotel. It would also enable further development at the Airpark site and improve pedestrian, cyclist and bus access. It was hoped that work on the Silverdown section would start at the end of February and that this work could be finished by July which would enable the work on Long Lane section to start.

#### 42 Report of the Managing Director, EDAL

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

The Consultative Committee noted that passenger numbers for November were 7% down on previous year and December passenger numbers were 6% down on previous year. Domestic passenger numbers were down in both months due to reduced aircraft movements and reduced passenger numbers. However, international scheduled and charter traffic was up for both months.

Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL, reported that Ryanair were continuing with their current capacity, Flybe would be cutting back slightly on its summer schedule, but TUI would have a record number of seats for sale from Exeter for the summer.

There was a proposal for improved bus links to the Airport with a circular route around the Airport to Flybe Academy and Hampton-by-Hilton. Positive talks had been held with a Stagecoach representative and it was noted that they were asking for feedback on their services as part of a wider consultation.

The airport's customer service project was proceeding and included a covered walkway for airport arrivals. The HBS Project including improvements to check-in was proceeding well.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

43 Report from Flybe representative

There was no Flybe representative present to give a report.

However, members discussed the importance of maintaining connectivity between UK regions and the important role Flybe had in maintaining this connectivity. Government proposals to assist Flybe and reduce APD on UK flights was noted.

Matt Roach, Managing Director EDAL, reported that that climate change was a huge focus for the airline industry as a whole and that the airport were trying to improve their carbon footprint where they could.

44 Complaints Handling

There had been no noise complaints received since the last meeting.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted

45 Any other business (it should be noted that matters of any substance may not be dealt with under this item). Members are requested to notify the Secretary as soon as possible in advance of the meeting of any matters they wish to raise under this item.

Janvrin Edbrooke, Clyst Honiton Parish Council (NP/NPO Lead), reported that the Council had received a substantial grant from the Ministry of Communities, Housing and Local Government to enable them to proceed with a planning application for their Neighbourhood Development Order. The development would provide both residential and commercial buildings and should also provide a community facility for the residents

of Clyst Honiton. This was the first Neighbourhood Development Order that had successfully been processed in England.

Janvrin Edbrooke confirmed that she would make a presentation to a future meeting of the Consultative Committee on progress.

- 46 Dates of meetings in 2020 (all Wednesdays) - 13 May (AGM), 9 September and 9 December - 3.15pm.

Attendance List

**Present:**

R Bartlett (Chairman)  
C Daly (Vice Chairman)  
R Bates Exeter City Council  
K Blakey Devon County Council  
L Bayliss Cranbrook Town Council  
I Payne DAAT  
J Wollen Rockbeare Parish Council  
M Hall West Hill Parish Council  
G Collier Clyst Honiton Parish council  
D Montgomery CHCA  
C Scanes Bishops Clyst Parish Council  
D Harvey Exeter City Council  
H Gent Broadclyst Parish Council  
Gary Collier, Clyst Honiton Parish Council  
Janvrin Edbrooke, Clyst Honiton Parish Council (NDO/NPO Lead)  
Matt Roach, Managing Director, EDAL

**Officers in attendance:**

R Bates Exeter City Council  
A Wood East Devon District Council  
C Lane East Devon District Council  
J Wallace East Devon District Council

**Councillor apologies:**

P Skinner  
P Twiss  
D Stewart

Chairman .....

Date: .....