



Meeting Wednesday 12 July 2017

Present (Members):-

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| • Andrew Swayne | AS | Chair |
| • Clive Burghard | CB | Lancing Parish Council |
| • Audrey Old | AO | Lancing and Sompting Residents Association |
| • Maurice Pitchford | MP | Shoreham Beach Residents Association |
| • Jonathan Candelon | JC | MD BCAL |
| • John Davies | JD | Rotary wing users (Helifly) |
| • Emma Evans | EE | Adur District Council |
| • Mark Milling | MM | Lancing College |
| • Tim Dray | TD | Ricardo |
| • Steven Higgins | SH | S.J. Higgins Property Consultants |
| • Chris Drew | CD | West Beach Residents Association |
| • Barry Smith | BS | West Sussex County Council |
| • Richard Heywood | RH | SAOTA |
| • Hazel Thorpe | HT | Worthing Borough Council |

In attendance (supporting officers)

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| • Christine Smith | CS | Secretary |
| • Moira Hayes | MH | Adur District Council |

1. Apologies from:-

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| • James Scott | JS | ICG Longbow |
| • Louise Murphy | LM | Worthing Borough Council |
| • James Crabbe | JC2 | Fixed Wing users (Sussex Flying Club) |

2. Minutes of last meeting:-

Minutes of the last meeting held on 15 March 2017, having been previously circulated, were agreed that they were a true and correct record of that meeting.

3. Matters arising (not covered elsewhere):-

Membership – AS reported that Barry Smith is to retire and that this would be his last meeting. He conveyed his thanks to Barry for his support. He added that Barry's replacement is to be determined. He added that Ben Daines had left ADC and that his replacement is Moira Hayes. AS then announced that the new member for Shoreham South is Kevin Boreham (ADC) and added that the member for BHCC (Max Woodford) is not starting until the end of August and will be invited to the next meeting. He closed by saying that Steve Higgins is attending for James Scott

4. Reports on current airport activities

a. **Section 52 report** – JC reported that the figures for fixed wing movements were stable, helicopter figures were rising and figures have returned to pre-airshow levels but are still well within the limits.

b. **Airport manager's report** – JC told the committee that works to the Municipal Hangar had started, that the Wildlife Festival had gone very well and that the Real Flying Company had closed and their premises had been taken over by a helicopter maintenance company.

c. **Property Report including the Terminal and hangar refurbishment** – SH reported that the Hangar works were being managed by ICG Longbow and should be completed by the end of the year. JC added the hangar was being re-clad, the metal-work was being treated and the asbestos cement dealt with. SH added that he will give the meeting a full report next time about the handover of works by the EA.

5. **Complaints** – JC explained that the airport has limited control over aircraft that have taken off from here. The limits are 2,000ft up and within 2 nautical miles. The number of complaints about helicopters has increased as the numbers of helicopters at the airport has increased. EE asked if there was anything the airport could do about aerobatics in the area near the airport and JC replied that the airport does not allow it within its controlled area but outside this area there is nothing the airport can do.

6. Progress on matters of interest to the committee –

a. **Adur major planning applications update** – MH reported that the New Monks Farm application had started to come in but was not yet on-line. The application will be validated and put on-line. Consultants are to be brought in to look at everything and are hopeful of an October deadline. The consultation period will last between 6 – 8 weeks. The local plan describes 15,000m² as being industrial rather than retail. SH told the meeting that JS is happy to answer questions by email. MM commented that Ikea doesn't mean employment space as it's retail. AS replied that this would have to be dealt with in the correct way.

b **Local Growth Fund Future Rounds** – AS reported that local growth funds money has been allocated and that there will be a bidding round for LEP funds later this month with that money to be spent by March 2018. He added that there will be more by the end of the following year.

c. **A27/NMF** – AS told the meeting that the consultation period for the Lancing/Worthing scheme will start on 19 July. There will be 8 public events and 150,000 letters are to be sent to local households. Details will go on the HE website on 19 July. AS stated that he had made a formal request for the consultation period to be extended as many community and business groups won't be able to get decisions from their members over the summer holidays. He added that in March he had sent New Monks Farm and WSCC a detailed request for information on the traffic situation, plans and changes to the traffic flow. He told the meeting that we need to present data in a consistent manner, not consultancy speak, that people can understand. The whole road and traffic network will be changed and we need to see the data from previous Ikeas that have been built to make a proper decision. Until all this has been done, how can the consultation period end? He then told the members that there will be a meeting tomorrow evening regarding New Monks Farm and a statement will be issued to members by email. HT then asked about the Ikea "peak-trip activity" and AS replied that traffic flow will be lower in the mornings as Ikea doesn't open until 10am but higher in the evenings but is, at this time, unaware of how this will impact on the Lyons Farm area and the A283. The new roundabout at the Sussex Pad will have traffic lights on it for pedestrians. MH said that all changes must be taken into account with each other. MM then told the meeting that Lancing College has lost its spur road, which they've been fighting to keep. He added that the new junction must have east/west access. AS then reported that Withy Patch is to be relocated to make room for the new roundabout. MM replied that he has strong feelings about this, he is not against the plans

per se, but that the college needed their access. AS replied that he was working hard to improve and co-ordinate data. The committee reconfirmed its previous position re east west access on both sides of the A27 as any new or upgraded junction was essential. It also confirmed that it should be as far east as is possible and that cycling and pedestrian crossing routes were very important and should be as close to the Coombes Road as is practical.

d. Aviation Policy – BS reported that there was a new Aviation Minister in the House of Lords, Lord Callana. He added that the National Policy on Heathrow's third runway closed on 25 May and responses are being considered. The final version for Parliamentary approval is anticipated in the autumn. The revised policy on design of UK airspace has also closed and responses considered. The CAA has also published its proposals for complementing the new policy and final versions are also likely in the autumn. The outcome of the consultation on night flying at main London airports is expected before the summer recess.

e & f. Adur Tidal Walls update and operational challenges with the construction of the tidal walls - KM not present at the meeting but the situation is as reported in the March minutes. Meetings are taking place regarding the re-location of the water main. AS then asked SH to request that the EA attend our meetings and advise us of any new personnel. RH then asked JC if any access or airport roads are to be closed. JC replied in the negative but added that he has concerns about up to 50 trucks coming in and out of the estate every day during the works.

g. Proposal to update the Section 52 agreement – AS asked MH to ascertain the update of the Section 52 agreement and to inform CS.

7. Future events at the airport -

a. All members had a hard copy of the forthcoming events at the airport, which included an Aviation Art exhibition in August/September, The Big Band Night on the second Tuesday of every month, a Bond night in November and the monthly meeting of the Ford Enthusiasts Club. AS said that he was happy to see the airport busy.

b. **Other Events** – No questions regarding other events.

8. AOB – CD said that the clock on the front of the main terminal building was not working and asked when it would be repaired, JC replied that it was in hand but didn't have a date at the moment.

AS told the members that, depending on what happens with all of the planning applications, we may have to move some meetings but CS would advise members accordingly.

9. Proposed future dates for Consultative Committee meetings – all 1415 for 1430

Wednesday 8 November 2017 (Dates for 2018 will be proposed at this meeting)