

Minute of the meeting of the Edinburgh Airport Noise Review Panel (EANRP) on 14th October 2020

The meeting was held remotely via Microsoft Teams.

Attendees

Robert Carr, EACC Chair and Joint Convener of EANRP, **Cllr Kevin Lang** as EACC EANRP representative and Joint Convener of EANRP, **Janice Hogarth** as Secretary to the EACC (and minute taker for the EANRP), **Lindsay Cole**, the Chair of EANAB and member of EACC, and **Ray Godfree, Pippa Plevin & Bruce Finlayson** as EANAB EANRP representatives. It had been agreed that Kevin would chair this meeting and Robert the following one.

Apologies had been received from Gordon Robertson from EAL

Welcome to new group members and introductions

Kevin welcomed Bruce and Pippa to their first meeting of the EANRP and introductions were made.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting of 30th September were approved by those who had attended.

Matters Arising on Remit of EANRP

Bruce commented that there were items missing from the current proposed remit for the EANRP including the history, achievement and progress of EANAB. Kevin asked what was missing from the current remit and it was agreed that Bruce would create an updated draft and send this out to members of the EANRP the following week. **(Action Bruce Finlayson to produce revisals to remit for discussion)**

Ray commented on the basis for the review should be looking at why EANAB was working and what it had achieved and also why it was not working and where it could improve.

Data Protection and GDPR

Robert raised a question relating to Data Protection and GDPR and suggested that the panel should ask for clarity from EAL to ensure that all members of the EANRP were fully covered. EACC members all signed GDPR forms and perhaps similar action would be required for EANRP members. **(Action Janice Hogarth)**

Proposed Questions to be asked in the Review

It was agreed that different stakeholder groups had different levels of awareness about the role and work of EANAB and of the issue of airport noise generally. The questions from EANRP would need to be tailored to take account of that different awareness. The stakeholder groups included:

- EANAB members

- those that were one stage removed Including community councils
- a third group who would be a more general group to cover how EAL engages on noise issues
- EAL

It was agreed that consideration should be given to the answers to the final list of questions being anonymised to encourage frankness in responses.

Bruce and Ray made observations on the current role and work of EANAB and how its success was to be measured.

Ray agreed to separate out the current list of questions into those that were appropriate for those different stakeholder groups. Kevin thanked Ray for all his hard work on this. **(Action Ray Godfree to update questions)**

It was agreed that there should be a short introduction to the questions that would be distributed explaining the background to the questions and the review. Lindsay had already prepared an initial introduction and he will liaise with Bruce to agree on a final draft to bring to the full EANRP **(Action Lindsay Cole and Bruce Finlayson to liaise and produce a final draft introduction for approval by the EANRP)**

Agreement on Stakeholder List

Discussion over who should be included in the list of stakeholders led to agreement that this should be extended beyond EANAB members to cover a wide range of organisations beyond the current list of community councils and should include other community-based organisations, councillors and MSP's. A provisional list had been previously circulated. **(Action Janice Hogarth to forward list of stakeholders to Bruce Finlayson and Pippa Plevin)**

Next steps and revised review timetable

Kevin admitted that although the original idea had been to complete the review by the end of 2020 that this timescale should now be reviewed and that it would now extend into 2021.

ICCAN were due to publish their guidance notes on their latest review on noise before Christmas and it was agreed that the review should be considering at how other airports in both the UK and internationally engage with communities regarding noise.

Kevin and Robert would draft a communication to both Heathrow and Gatwick to see what actions and engagement they have had including how they conducted their recent reviews to see if there were any learning points that could be used by the EANRP. **(Action Robert Carr and Kevin Lang to draft a communication from EANRP to HR and LGW)**

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The date of the next meeting was not finalised but details would be forwarded. Lindsay Cole asked if meeting could be amended to after 1800 due to upcoming teaching commitments. **(Since fixed for 18.00 on 28 October 2020.)**