Minutes of NATMAG meeting 16th February 2012

Attendees:

Tom Denton GAL

Ros Howell GATCOM

Liz Kitchen GATCOM/HDC

Nigel Owen NATS
Andy Taylor NATS
Christopher Hersey GATCOM

Pam Lovell BA
Peter Long RBBC
Brendan Sheil GAL
Mike George HTC

Charles Yarwood GATCOM
Peter Lake KCC
Tim May DfT
Siegi Fake GAL

1. Apologies

Received from:

Brian Cox, Andy Burke Alan Jones John Byng

A short discussion took place regarding Peter Lake being invited to become a member of NATMAG. RH advised that GATCOM should take the decision.

Minutes of 13 January 2012 meeting;

2. Minutes of previous meeting

RH commented positively on the combining of GNC and NATMAG, but requested EHO meetings to be changed from 3 monthly to 6 monthly.

Action: TD to amend the paragraph

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Action Tracker

07/14d - Frank Evans left the DfT some time ago and not all his action notes have been passed to his replacement Tim May. BS suggested leaving as is

until next night noise meeting in December when it will be discussed. RH requested that everyone look for the minutes from the original meeting in an effort to retrace steps.

05/09 - TM explained that all AIPs are being reviewed and asked for current night joining point wording to be forwarded to him along with the required amendments.

11/2010 - TM will confirm in writing that delay does not need to be 24 hours. But some delay is still required. TM inquired about capability of having noise as well as vision from noise monitors. BS advised this is being looked at. Current provider may supply new data. Fixed monitors will be able to do this but mobile monitors are not so easy to upgrade.

Action: TM to confirm reduction in data delay and required minimum delay in writing to chairman.

02/2011 - TD met NATS at Swanwick recently to discuss and explore the opportunities for rotating noise respite on arrivals and departures. A NATS project team has been set up and a programme of assessment and development is now underway.

TD tasked to ask NATS for take forward these initiatives and to provide a time frame for project development, this should be completed within the next month.

Action: TD to circulate NATS time frame when available.

04/2011 - Suggestion of listing top 5 (eg) airlines. TD accepts this needs to be clear and will look at this.

5. PRNAV

TD started as AT had not yet arrived. TD explained that from the previous NATS presentation Option 4 seemed a possible best choice but that this would need a little more discussion before any firm views could be arrived at. TD stated that if PRNAV was to continue that the chosen option must ensure that aircraft would remain within the NPR.

LK raised a concern that if aircraft flight paths are moved for PRNAV the noise problem will just be moved and a new group of people will be impacted.

RH stated that it cannot be assumed that option 4 is best until further detail is discussed.

RH explained that this is not something that NATMAG alone can decide and that it should be taken to GATCOM with a preferred option stated with all the positives and negatives explained. AT agreed with this approach. It was also pointed out that this may trigger a full public consultation and this would need to be considered in choosing the best option going forward.

Action: TD and RH to refer to GATCOM steering group

Action: TD and AT to meet to develop presentation for steering group meeting.

6. Mobile noise monitors

BS advised that currently there are only 5 mobile monitors in operation with 2 spare monitors. There had previously been discussion of sighting one in Charlwood, this will be taken forward and efforts will be made to find a suitable location in Charlwood.. TD advised more monitors will be ordered to increase noise monitoring activity and to gain a greater noise footprint from around the airport..

7. Twenty point noise list

TD explained that some of these points are being taken forward by the airport, ie. Rotating respite and that he would develop a time frame for all points on the list and present to members for approval.

8. FEU report (FPT report going forward)

BS advised:

Q3 1000 feet infringement x 2 and noise infringement x 1. QC4 x 4 all replacement aircraft.

Q4 Noise infringement x 3 Oct/Nov CDA continued improvements improvement all KPI's on target.

9. Horley over flight

AB not at meeting but Horley over flight information will be provided.

10. Key Messages

For GATCOM:

Track keeping improving.

CDA performance remains strong.

Update on PRNAV given and future strategy to be discussed further.

For FLOPSC;

Airline league performance information was discussed and this will be raised at the next FLOPSC.

GACC approach noise paper to be discussed at next NATMAG meeting.

TM announced there will be an announcement regarding a rollover for the current night noise regime in March.

Master plan public consultation is closed and a summary update of key themes will be given at the next board meeting. Final plan ready June 2012

11. AOB

It was agreed that the next meeting will start at 10.00am and run until 13.00 to take into account the merging of NATMAG and GNC agendas.

NEXT NATMAG 17th MAY 2012