

DUBLIN AIRPORT STAKEHOLDERS FORUM

Minutes of Meeting of the Forum held on 9th December 2010

Chair: Dr. Danny O'Hare - Chairman

Members:

Ms. Helena Merriman	St. Margaret's Concerned Residents Voice
Ms. Angela Lawton	Dublin City Council
Ms. Mary Taylor	Fingal County Development Board
Cllr. Tom Kelleher	Fingal Tourism
Mr. Michael Dawson	DCU
Mr. Paul Smith	Portmarnock Community Association
Ms. Teresa Kavanagh	

Apologies

Ms. Siobhan Moore	Dublin Airport Authority
Cllr. Cian O'Callaghan	Fingal County Council
Mr. David Ussher	Irish Aviation Authority
Mr. Flan Clune	Irish Tour Operators Federation
Mr. Robert Hilliard	Dublin Airport Authority
Ms. Ann Marie Farrelly	Fingal County Council

Ms Lorraine Sutton	Swords Community Council
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Absent

Mr. Conor Agnew	IDA Ireland
Mr. David Ussher	Irish Aviation Authority
Mr. Flan Clune	Irish Tour Operators Federation

Cllr. Gerry Maguire	Fingal County Council
Ms. Caroline Molloy	Santry Community Association
Mr. Michael Halpenny	SIPTU
Ms. Catherine McCabe	Dublin Chamber of Commerce
Ms. Alice Ratcliffe	St. Margarets Community Association
Cllr. Anne Devitt*	Fingal County Council
Mr. Stephen Byrne	Malahide Community Forum
Mr. Tony Lambert	Swords Chamber of Commerce

In Attendance from Dublin Airport Authority

Ms. Maura Cassidy

In Attendance from Fingal Development Board.

Mr. Ciarán Staunton and Mr. PJ Howell

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.15 p.m due to the late attendance of some members and in order to reach a quorum.

Apologies were noted as above. The Chair welcomed Mary Taylor from Dublin City Council to her first meeting, having replaced

1. Minutes of Meeting 15th September 2010.

The Chairman noted the promise of DAA to give members dates of tours for Terminal 2. It was agreed due to the

adverse weather that this would be deferred until late January or February.

2. Flight-track fines regimes (non-agenda item from matters arising)

The chairman noted the request to DAA for an exploration of the flight-track fines regimes. Maura Cassidy outlined that desk-research carried out by DAA indicated that such fines regimes do exist, but that the details of the fines are not easily discovered. A discussion took place where the following points were noted:

- If information about such regimes was not easily obtained it was suggested that the net be cast wider to include North American examples
- It was observed that rather than a community fund Manchester Airport compensated neighbouring properties on a case-by-case basis
- It was queried as to whether Fingal County Council could supplement such a regime with by-laws, under section 106 of the Planning Act. It was agreed to explore this and revisit it
- Flight track adherence has a compliance rate of 99% at Dublin Airport. The compliance rate does not include when a smaller aircraft is pushed off track for safety reasons
- There are few, if any, incentives for quieter night movements for example parking prior to 7am is free

In conclusion it was decided to refer the matter for further investigation to the Environmental Working group. This exercise could propose a Community gain fund for use by the communities most affected. The chairman emphasised that the working group should not feel that its hands are tied to calculating a percentage charge, and that more creative solutions or proposals would be welcome.

3. Updates from Working Groups

It was noted that the Environmental Working Group had met in November and discussed the current phase of the FEMFRAMS project in detail. It was noted that would meet again in March.

No meetings took place of the *Economic Development and Customer Services* or *Surface Access* working groups. It was agreed to ask Tony Lambert whether he intended to call a meeting of the former and perhaps ask him to hold off if there are possibilities to reconfigure the working group themes slightly.

4. Activities Reports

Fingal County Council Activities Report

A report was circulated reflecting the planning and development issues since the last DASF meeting. The report was read by PJ Howell, noted and there were no questions. Angela Lawton queried the details about the storage tanks mentioned in one application and it was agreed to follow up with further information on that. The chairman observed that the lower number of planning and development matters is reflecting the downturn.

Dublin Airport Authority Airport Activities Report

Ms. Maura Cassidy provided an update on activities at Dublin Airport. She drew attention to a selection of the items as follows:

- January 2011 the US Customs are expected to be activated in Dublin
- Passenger numbers rose for the month of October
- Cargo weight is rising
- Bicycle scheme and cycle lanes in the airport have been improved
- Car sharing is dropping by staff [was discussed before at surface access]
- Significant de-icing occurred which may have to be discussed in terms of pollution effect [refer to Environmental working group]. It was also agreed to explore whether de-icing chemicals are being flushed out in a separate drainage system

4. Future Direction of DASF Working Groups

Ciarán Staunton delivered a presentation that revisited the stated role, objectives, terms of reference and experience of the three working groups since they started meeting in 2008 as a result of Chris O'Malley's report. Within this there was a focus on activity, frequency of meetings, attendance levels and achievements (if any). In addition an overview of the typical working group themes for the UK airports was presented.

Members reacted to this presentation with the following discussion points:

- In all cases it was felt that the Environmental working group was functioning correctly and had developed its terms of reference, relevance and contribution to the fullest extent and so should be left in place
- Members want to challenge or question the view that the surface access working group is "finished". It was agreed that a phase had been finished but not the on-going concerns of landside transport for airport users

- Economic Development group has not met after its second meeting. Members posed questions as to why this is the case, and questioned if there are there no economic development issues that are worth discussing or acting on between the participants
- DAA have a wealth of data about customer services issues but these relate to the ground services but they could be tabled at a passenger services working group of DASF
- Would a passenger services working group be a viable proposal. This would add former surface access issues together with customer services issues not being aired at the Economic Development group. There were doubts about who would be represented at the passenger services group for example, but some members believe this could include the airlines, so there is a marriage of landside and airside services in the focus. In addition it was suggested that Tourism is added into this brief because Tourism relies heavily on this kind of perspective "the customer experience".
- It would be important not to have the new committee as a talking shop, give it an actual job to do and actively refer items from the Forum to it as was the recommendations of Chris O'Malley

In conclusion it was decided that the Chairman would explore how DASF could move to a two committee structure by (i) maintaining the existing Environmental working group and (ii) by adding the customer services and transportation, tourist and information services issues together into one brief called Passenger Services. In that regard a short paper would be drafted taking into consideration the views of some people not present (for e.g. Tony Lambert).

5. Any other business

No other items were recorded.

6. Next Meeting

It was agreed to have the next meeting on Thursday the 9th of March at 6.00 p.m. in the Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport. As there is a Fingal Development Board meeting that day the meeting start time may be deferred by a few minutes to allow key people to be in attendance.

A list of proposed 2011 meeting dates were circulated and agreed.

Wednesday 9th March

Wednesday 4th May

Wednesday 28th September

Wednesday 30th November

Dublin Airport Stakeholders Forum

21st Meeting

9th December, 2010

Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport

Agenda

To each member of the Dublin Airport Stakeholders Forum

The 21st meeting of the DASF will take place on Thursday 9th December, 2010 at 6.00 p.m. in the Fitzmaurice Suite 3, Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport.

Tea, coffee and sandwiches will be provided from 5.30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of meeting of 15th September, 2010
2. Matters arising
3. Updates from Working Groups
4. Activities Reports
 - a. Fingal County Council (enclosed)
 - b. Dublin Airport Authority (enclosed)
5. Focus of DASF working groups
 - a. report (enclosed)
 - b. presentation by Ciarán Staunton)
6. Any other business

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DUBLIN AIRPORT STAKEHOLDERS FORUM

Minutes of Meeting of the Forum held on 15^h September 2010

Chair: Dr. Danny O'Hare - Chairman

Members:

Mr. Kieron Gargan	Cloghran Hill Residents Association
Mr. Paul Smith	Dublin City University/NorDubCo
Ms. Rachel Kenny	Fingal County Council
Cllr. Cllr. Tom Kelleher	Fingal County Development Board
Mr. Michael Dawson	Fingal Tourism
Cllr. Anne Devitt*	Fingal County Council
Mr. Kevin McGrath**	Irish Aviation Authority
Mr. Tony Lambert	Swords Chamber of Commerce
Mr. Stephen Byrne	Malahide Community Forum
Ms Lorraine Sutton	Swords Community Council
Ms. Helena Merriman	St. Margaret's Concerned Residents Voice
Ms. Angela Lawton	

*Attending by arrangement with Swords Balbriggan Area Committee

** Attending to facilitate presentation from IAA

Apologies

Mr. Peter Caulfield	Fingal County Council
Cllr. Cian O'Callaghan	Fingal County Council
Mr. Conor Agnew	IDA Ireland
Mr. David Ussher	Irish Aviation Authority
Mr. Flan Clune	Irish Tour Operators Federation
Cllr. Gerry Maguire	Fingal County Council
Ms. Teresa Kavanagh	Portmarnock Community Association
Mr. Flan Clune	Irish Tour Operators Federation

Absent

Mr. Jonathan Heavey	Ryanair
Mr. Niall Walsh	Aer Lingus
Ms. Ciara Sugrue	Dublin Tourism
Cllr. Peggy Hamill	Fingal County Council
Mr. Paul Sweetman	IBEC
Mr. Liam Berney	ICTU
Mr. Michael Landers	IMPACT
Ms. Caroline Molloy	Santry Community Association
Mr. Michael Halpenny	SIPTU
Ms. Catherine McCabe	Dublin Chamber of Commerce
Ms. Alice Ratcliffe	St. Margarets Community Association

In Attendance from Dublin Airport Authority

Ms. Siobhán Moore and Mr. Robert Hillard

In Attendance from Fingal Development Board.

Mr. Ciarán Staunton and Ms. Ann Marie Farrelly.

The Chair opened the meeting at 6.00 p.m. Apologies were noted.

1. Minutes of Meeting 16^h September 2009.

The Chairman noted that there was a significant gap between this meeting and the last. This caused several membership changes which were recorded as:

- Sean O'Faircheallaigh Fingal County Council to be replaced by Rachel Kenny
- Michael O'Neill Dublin City Council will be replaced by Mary Taylor (to be confirmed)
- Councillor Peter Coyle will be replaced by Councillor Cian O'Callaghan
- Councillor Ciaran Byrne has been replaced by Councillor Tom Kelleher

A matter arising regarding the inability to proceed with the DASF meetings scheduled for February and May was raised by Ann Marie Farrelly. It was explained that the DASF was caught in the public sector industrial action.

2. Presentation on Dual Departures Policy

The Chairman highlighted that correspondence had been circulated from the Irish Aviation Authority with regards to a policy change on departures.

David Ussher of the IAA was unable to be present but with the agreement of the chairman his colleague Kevin McGrath gave an expanded explanation of the effect of the new departures policy. The presentation was then discussed with the following issues receiving queries and comments:

- A reduction in fuel emissions would be a welcome development as it represents a cost and environmental saving
- The Departures on runway 10 have occasional deviations which are only caused by adverse weather conditions or in emergencies. This runway has 35,000 movements with only 11 complaints
- Query about why investigations are driven by complaints, rather than actual deviations. This was discussed in the context that the European compliance systems are all based off complaints. It isn't possible to monitor the deviations with what DAA has at present
- Penalties are sometimes applied to airlines making deviations, however, these regimes generally have a legislation under-pinning them. There is also a matter of which authority could apply them. Nevertheless there is support in having a community fund that would be paid into by airlines making deviations. Such regimes are known about by contact with the Airport Regions Conference [ARC]

As a result of this it was proposed and decided that DAA would examine the viability of such a community fund, and how much the airlines would be asked to contribute to it

based on the deviations. The chair thanked Mr. Kevin McGrath.

3. Activities Reports

Fingal County Council Activities Report

Ms. Rachel Kenny circulated the activities report from the Council containing details on Planning Applications received / decided in the period since the last DASF meeting. The report was noted and there were no questions or observations recorded.

Dublin Airport Authority Airport Activities Report

Mr Bob Hilliard provided an update on activities at Dublin Airport. He drew attention to a selection of the items within the report as well as clarified questions as follows:

- The Volcanic Ash event had a large effect on passenger numbers
- The delivery of Terminal 2 continues to make progress with a series of trials and continued testing of the various systems
- A major public test of the new Terminal will take place on Saturday the 18th of September
- Resurfacing works on some of the runways will proceed until next year
- Ethiad have expanded operations to two flights per day. There is a strong prospect of a major new Asian partner linking to Dublin

4. Update on Working Groups

The Environmental Working Group is chaired by Cllr. Peter Coyle who will no longer serve on the DASF. As there are still regular updates on the Environmental issues a meeting is scheduled for the 20th of September.

The Surface Access Working Group has stopped meeting for the moment. Changes to the Bus Éireann schedule have been noted, Ivor Maleady is working on this. It was also noted that there are issues with how the 747 service does not accept Senior Citizens travel passes.

As a result of the decision taken at the last DASF the *Economic Development & Customer Services Working Group* has a new chair in Tony Lambert. Tony informed the Forum that he would provide the secretarial support for the meetings and that he intended to revise the terms of reference for the group and bring this back to DASF.

Chairman Danny O'Hare stated that the Forum had achieved a good deal since its inception 5 years. He added that at this stage it would be appropriate to review what each group has achieved and where it is going.

He proposed that alongside the existing working groups revising their terms of reference he wanted to devote some time at the next meeting to:

1. Revisiting the original work by Chris O'Malley on the focus of the Working Groups and his suggestions
2. Looking at what in fact the working groups have been discussing and doing over the years. To this end he requested that Ciarán Staunton would produce a short list of the issues as they have emerged
3. Research what other issues are prevalent in the similar bodies to DASF that exist in the United Kingdom and compare our work to this

It was agreed to insert an item covering these matters on the agenda for the next meeting. A few short papers will be circulated to the members in advance to inform the discussion.

5. Any other business

DAA informed the group that they hoped to circulate an invitation for members to see T2 in operation. It was agreed that two dates would be arranged to facilitate members.

6. Next Meeting

It was agreed to move the meeting set for November back to Thursday the 9th of December at 6.00 p.m. in the Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport.

A list of proposed meeting dates will be circulated for 2011 at this meeting.

Dublin Airport Stakeholders Forum

20th Meeting

15th September, 2010

Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport

Agenda

To each member of the Dublin Airport Stakeholders Forum

The 20th meeting of the DASF will take place on Wednesday 15th September, 2010 at 6.00 p.m. in the Fitzmaurice Suite 3, Clarion Hotel, Dublin Airport.

Tea, coffee and sandwiches will be provided from 5.30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of meeting of 25th November, 2010
2. Presentation from Irish Aviation Authority on departures policy
3. Activities Reports
 - a. Fingal County Council (enclosed)
 - b. Dublin Airport Authority (to follow)
4. Update reports from Working Groups
5. Any other business

