

MEETING: Dublin Airport Environmental Working Group
LOCATION: Online via Zoom
DATE: 22nd September 2021, 5pm



ATTENDEES

Name	Position/Organisation	Initial
Dr. Danny O’Hare	Chairperson	Chair
Michelle Molloy	daa	MM
Ian Clarke	daa	IC
Teresa Philpott	daa	TC
David Kelly	Portmarnock Community Association	DK
Patrick Fagan	Santry Residents Association	PF
John Harris	St. Margaret’s The Ward Residents Group	JH
Myles Caulfield	Rivervalley Rathingle Residents Association	MC
George Mongey	Swords Tidy Towns	GM

APOLOGIES

Darren Pollard	Irish Aviation Authority	DP
David Murray	Fingal County Council	DM
Seamus Higgins	Daa	SH
Ciaran Moore	Daa	CM

ABSENTEES

Caroline Molloy	Santry Community Resource Centre	CM
Brian McDonagh	Fingal County Council	BMD
Gerry Duggan	Malahide Community Forum	GD
Frances Buckley	Royal Oak Residents Committee	FB

Introduction	Action
<p>Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.</p> <p>MM advised that Janine Davidson was on maternity leave and Teresa Philpott was acting as Secretariat for the meeting.</p>	
1. Apologies	Action
<p>TP advised of apologies from CM, SH, DP and DM.</p> <p>TP further advised that AS had resigned from the group and had advised that there was no requirement to replace him as representative for Offington Residents Association. PF queried if there was now a quorum for the meeting with resignation of AS. Chair confirmed there was a quorum. Chair expressed his thanks to AS for his contributions to the group and wished him well.</p>	

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting	Action
<p>Chair requested approval of Meeting Minutes of 16th June 2021.</p> <p>PF queried Item 8 regarding planning applications for developments in Santry and said that he expected daa to make observations to the planning authority. MM said that FCC refers relevant applications to daa as a prescribed body, and daa in turn makes observations on the applications. MM suggested that PF may wish to email her the planning application reference numbers and she will investigate if daa were consulted.</p> <p>PF asked that any issues he raises be recorded in the Minutes. MM confirmed that they were recorded. PF said that the queries he raises outside of the meetings were not recorded. MM said actions arising during meetings and queries raised outside of meetings were responded to as soon as possible either after the meeting or during the following meeting. When after a meeting, all members were copied with those responses. PF said that people reading the minutes online would not have access to those responses outside of meetings. MM said that the DAEWG had stated last year that they preferred information sooner rather than later and so it had been agreed to provide responses between meetings as this was more efficient. Chair suggested that details of any actions addressed or queries answered could be appended to the Minutes going forward. PF said this was acceptable and MM agreed that this would happen going forward.</p> <p>Chair then asked if Minutes could be approved, and all agreed.</p>	
3. Matters Arising	Action
<p>Chair asked if there were any matters arising from last meeting.</p> <p>PF said he had asked for further information regarding the international catering waste but he had not received it. MM said that the additional information had been emailed to PF and all DAEWG members after the last meeting. PF said he had not received it. MM said that she would re-send the email which had issued to all members.</p> <p>MC said that there was an outstanding item for FCC regarding the tertiary roads adjacent Dublin Airport. MM said that in the absence of DM, she would make contact with FCC and request the information on behalf of members.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>MM</p>
4. daa Update	Action
<p>MM presented daa update, including actions from previous meeting, Dublin Airport passenger numbers, return of international travel following easing of Covid restrictions, Community Fund, collaboration with Junior Achievement Ireland, and North Runway.</p> <p>In relation to North Runway's Relevant Action RFI response, JH asked if the EIAR appendices could be made available on the virtual portal. MM said that they were already provided, with Volume 4 currently being uploaded but taking longer because of its size. MM confirmed that volume would be available on the portal this evening or next morning at latest.</p> <p>JH said that he had received a letter from FCC advising he had two weeks to make a submission to latest information relating to the Relevant Action application, whilst other people had received additional correspondence advising four weeks. MM said that Fingal's Planning Portal notes the official deadline for submissions as 25th October 2021. JH asked for clarification regarding the apparent difference in information provided in correspondence, and MM committed to contact FCC in this regard.</p> <p>PF asked if the surface at the new Pier 1 stands allows seepage of rainwater. IC advised that pollution control measures that are in place allow segregation of all the runoff from the hard stands with glycol and diesel spills going to attenuation tanks for monitoring and treatment. JH enquired about the location of the attenuation tank and IC advised it was within the airport environs, off the R312 adjacent Dardistown.</p>	<p>MM</p>

DK thanked MM for responding to his query in September relating to the acute angle of one of North Runway's taxiways, which MM had advised was designed so there was no interference with Runway 16's glidepath.	
5. Noise and Flight Track Monitoring Update	Action
<p>IC provided an update covering the annual compliance report and Environmental Noise Directive. He advised that ANCA have directed that additional noise monitoring terminals should be put in place, and that we would be engaging with local communities to seek their input regarding the location of a number of monitors. He also advised that there will be additional functionality on WebTrak, including weather and environmental corridor layers.</p> <p>IC then provided a demonstration of WebTrak. JH queried if the corridors would be visible in the future and IC confirmed they would. JH said that people located between the two runways notice noise levels now when North Runway hasn't even started to operate. He asked if they would be eligible for insulation after North Runway opens. MM said that they were not currently eligible for the Residential Noise Insulation Scheme associated North Runway, however, biennial reviews would be undertaken after the runway opens and if they, or any other households which were not previously insulated, were located in the 63dB LAeq contour, then they would be eligible at that time.</p>	
6. Fingal County Council Planning Applications	Action
There were no questions relating to FCC's Planning Applications which had been circulated to members.	
7. Members' Update	Action
<p>PF said that it can sometimes be difficult to access the Noise Reports on the website. MM said that she would send members a copy of the August 2021 report for ease of reference, and reports would be included in the pack which issues to members in advance of meetings.</p> <p>MC said that FCC's Planning Applications report covers applications up to 3rd September but there was an application submitted by daa on 22nd September regarding the night-time conditions. MM advised that application was dated 13th September and related to the additional information provided in daa's response to the RFI, which had been contained in the North Runway update provided to members at this evening's meeting.</p> <p>PF said that daa's 2019 Sustainability Report was misleading because it stated that the group met on a quarterly basis. MM said that we do, but PF said we met four times a year which is not the same thing. MM said there are four meetings per annum with one in each quarter. The dates for the meetings were agreed in advance with all members, and whilst there may not be exactly three months between each, this was to avoid potential absence of members; for example, there is never a meeting in August due to summer holidays.</p> <p>JH said that the monthly noise report contained information about the number of complaints, area of complaints, etc., but no detail about the nature of complaints. MM said that she would pass these comments to the Noise and Flight Track Monitoring team and the issue could be discussed at the next DAEWG meeting.</p> <p>JH asked if there were any plans for DAEWG meetings to take place in person again or would they continue via Zoom. MM said that this question had been asked at other forums, and we had suggested that the remainder of 2021 meetings would continue via Zoom, with the situation for 2022 meetings reviewed at first meeting of that year. Chair and members agreed a similar approach for DAEWG.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>MM/IC</p>

Meeting Concluded at 6.15pm
Next Meeting: Wednesday, 17th November 2021

**DOCUMENTATION RELATING TO ACTIONS ARISING DURING MEETING
AND RESPONSES TO SUBSEQUENT QUERIES**

1. Extract of email which issued to DAEWG members on 25th June 2021

Sent: Friday 25 June 2021 10:23

Subject: Documentation and responses following DAEWG Meeting 16 June 2021

Dear DAEWG members,

Please find attached the draft Minutes from our last meeting on 16th June 2021. If you have any proposed amendments to the draft Minutes, please revert by 31st August.

As mentioned at the meeting, I now attach daa's Air and Water Report for your information.

Additionally, below please find responses to further requests during the meeting:

1. The noise and flight track monitoring team has confirmed that as requested by a member, they will include a short demonstration of Webtrak at the next meeting.
2. Regarding further information request on the Category 1 Waste, the Environmental Team has advised that all Category 1 waste is taken from the aircraft and stored in separate, clearly labelled CAT 1 waste bins. Category 1 waste is then taken by an EPA licenced contractor in compliance with [S.I. No. 187/2014](#) regulations. While this procedure is part of the commercial agreement between the ground handlers and the licenced contractors, as part of daa's audit, all waste documentation provided by the licenced waste contractors and ground handlers are reviewed.
3. Regarding the Tertiary Roads update, FCC has advised that as the assessment work being carried out under Objective SF02 is at a very early stage, the detailed scope of upgrades to the road network has not yet been established. A further update will be provided at the next DAEWG meeting.
4. At request of a member, the start and end time of the meetings have now been added to the Minutes of DAEWG meeting, including attached.

The next DAEWG meeting is scheduled to take place on 22nd September 2021 at 5pm via Zoom, the invitation for which previously issued. We look forward to meeting you again then, and in the interim hope you enjoy the summer months.

Kind regards,
Janine

2. Extract of email from DM which issued to DAEWG members on 24th September 2021

Sent: Friday 24 September 2021 17:19

Subject: DAEWG - 22nd September 2021.

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Michelle,

My sincere apologies for not making the meeting on Wednesday evening.

From our conversation yesterday, there were two queries relating to Planning which I wish to provide a response to. Perhaps you might circulate this email to the members of the DAEWG, along with my apologies to them for not being at the meeting.

Firstly, regarding upgrades to the tertiary roads around the airport. In answering a similar item in March, my colleague Claire McVeigh Senior Executive Planner indicated that a transport study was being undertaken by FCC. This study is required under Objective SF02 which aims to identify the improvements needed to ensure movement by sustainable and active travel modes to the airport and environs. This study remains underway. Improvements to Forrest Road are identified as an objective of the Fingal Development Plan 2017 – 2023, however works to the road are not contained in this years Capital Programme.

Secondly, queries were raised regarding timelines for making submissions on the Additional Information submitted by DAA to the 'relevant action' application under F20A/0668. FCC Planning and Strategic Infrastructure received the Additional Information from the applicant on the 13th September. The Planning Authority reviewed the submitted information and deemed it significant, thereby requiring a further period of public consultation. The applicant was required to publish new public notices, which were received on the 21st September. The five week period for public consultation starts on the date of receipt of the revised notices (21st September). The final date to receive submissions is the 25th October 2021.

Best regards,

David.