



Minutes

St. Margaret's Community Liaison Group

Date: Tuesday, 28 January 2025
Time: 7.00pm
Location: Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin Airport
Meeting No: 54

Attendees:

Name	Organisation	Initial
Danny O'Hare	Chair	Chair
Ruan Dillon McLoughlin	Acting Secretariat	RDMCL
Michelle Molloy	daa, Community Engagement Manager	MM
Matthew McAleese	Fingal County Council	MMA
Liam O'Gradaigh	St. Margaret's and The Ward Residents Group	LOG
Pearse Sutton	St. Margaret's and The Ward Residents Group	PS
Grainne O'Reilly	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	GOR
Jim Scully	Irish Farmer's Association	JS
Cllr Dean Mulligan	Fingal County Council	DM
Ian Clarke	daa, Noise and Flight Track Monitoring	IC

Apologies & Absences:

Pat Stritch	St. Margaret's GAA Club	PST
Brendan O'Donoghue	Dunbro Lane Residents Group	BOD
Janine Davidson	Secretariat	JD



Introduction	Action
Chair advised that Ian Clarke from daa's Environmental and Sustainable Infrastructure team was in attendance to present an update on the Noise Abatement Departure Procedures and the Earth Berm study.	
1. Apologies and Absences	Action
Chair advised that JD sent apologies and Ruan Dillon McLoughlin would be acting Secretariat for this meeting.	
2. Approval of Minutes	Action
Minutes approved.	
3. Matters Arising	
<p>MM advised that the Community Survey has not yet been published but committed to providing members with a copy when available. GOR queried if weightings were used when analysing responses to the survey from residents who were Dublin Airport staff. MM will revert.</p> <p>MM advised that the 2024 Environmental Monitoring Report will be available in Quarter 2 and a copy will be sent to CLG and DAEWG members.</p>	<p>daa</p> <p>daa</p>
4. daa Update – presented by MM	
<p>MM provided an update on Dublin Airport's 2024 passenger numbers, the Operational Application, Noise Monitoring and plans for houses acquired under Voluntary Dwelling Purchase Scheme (VDPS). MM advised that the Operational Application submitted by daa to Fingal County Council on 20 December 2024 was deemed invalid by the Planning Authority, and that daa intends to resubmit the application.</p> <p>MM advised that daa is proactively progressing with a new sound insulation grant scheme for up to 400 eligible homes. Members discussed the similarities and differences to the existing Residential Noise Insulation Scheme; the criteria for eligibility, areas covered, and effectiveness of measures. LOG queried the eligibility criteria requiring properties to have received planning permission prior to 2005. MM advised that properties which received</p>	



<p>planning after 2005 would have had a planning requirement for enhanced insulation. IC noted that of the 400 eligible houses, 180 were located in Portmarnock. MM advised pre- and post-works surveys were carried out to confirm the effectiveness of the insulation measures, noting many properties in the existing scheme achieved greater reductions than the 5-10dB target.</p>	
<p>LOG advised that members did not receive advance notice of the Operational Application or the new Insulation Scheme. MM apologised for the oversight and committed to providing notice to members when the OA was being resubmitted.</p>	<p>daa</p>
<p>MM advised that discrepancies in the Noise Monitoring data in the Q3 Noise Reports had been investigated; An anomaly resulting in inaccurate reporting of NMT downtime had been identified and remedial procedures were put in place to prevent future recurrences. MM advised reports will be amended and sent to CLG and DAEWG members, after which they will be published on the website. IC confirmed that as ANOMs was not affected, there was no impact on contour accuracy and a Lden averages will be rectified and republished. LOG queried when the noise model was updated and IC advised it had been reviewed and submitted to ANCA in September 2024. LOG enquired when daa would submit the noise material to ANCA for the 40m Infrastructure Application (IA) which was requested in March 2024. IC advised that ANCA had allowed for the phased issue of data for previous submissions, but he understood this was not currently the case with respect to the IA. IC further advised that the Noise Team prepare information for Project Teams on various applications, and that noise data which had been requested for the IA had been provided.</p>	<p>daa</p>
<p>MM advised that daa will make five further temporary Noise Monitoring Terminals (NMTs) available for community noise monitoring and the locations and durations will be decided by the CLG (two monitors), DAEWG (two monitors) and daa (one monitor). Residents of CLG are to revert with the preferred locations for two NMTs.</p>	<p>Residents</p>
<p>MM advised that daa is in advanced discussions with interested parties regarding leasing houses on Kilreesk Lane which were acquired by daa under the VDPS. MM confirmed the houses will be used for residential purposes. Members enquired who the interested parties were. MM said that information was confidential at present, but members would be advised on appointment of the successful party. Members also discussed the</p>	

<p>feasibility of local residents establishing a management company to oversee the rental of the properties. MM said this was not an option now because of the advanced stage of discussions with other parties. Members asked that their feedback be given to daa's Property department, and asked that daa request the successful party to attend a CLG meeting.</p>	
5. Noise Abatement Departure Procedures and Earth Berm Study – presented by IC	Action
<p>IC presented the findings of the latest review of Noise Abatement Departure Procedures (NADP) use at Dublin Airport, which had been shared in advance with members. IC advised that Dublin Airport's AIP continues to recommend NADP2, as had also been previously recommended in the 2019 study. IC discussed with members the challenges some airlines might face in flying NADP2, as evidenced in the recent study.</p> <p>IC presented the findings of a desktop study assessing the potential benefits of earth berms in reducing ground noise at residential buildings close to North Runway. IC advised a maximum of 1.4dB would be achieved for those closest at Forrest and that daa would undertake further studies regarding the potential impact on OLS (Object Limitation Surface), radar and navigational aids.</p>	
6. FCC Update – presented by MMA	Action
<p>MMA provided a progress update on the Infrastructure Application. MMA clarified the steps required before the Planning Authority can make a decision on the application, noting that ANCA was awaiting a response from daa with respect to its request for further information. MMA confirmed the Planning Authority is sticking to the Section 34 deadlines. MM confirmed that ANCA's request for information was complex and extensive and that daa is working to respond as soon as possible.</p> <p>MMA provided a progress update on the Operational Application. MMA outlined the steps and timings leading to, and the reasons for, the invalidation of this application. MMA outlined the role of pre-planning meetings in the planning process and confirmed that none had taken place between the daa and FCC in relation to the OA application. In response to a query from LOG on the Infrastructure Application, MMA confirmed that all submissions would be available once a final decision is made by the Planning Authority.</p>	



7. Residents Update	Action
<p>Residents raised concerns about the impact of North Runway on their local area, stating those impacted by noise want to be relocated to another area. Chair agreed that SMTW's 'Planning for Real' proposal could be presented to a future meeting of the CLG, and residents will revert regarding availability of their Planner to attend either the March or May meeting. MMA advised he would bring his Senior Planner to the meeting, and MM said she would do likewise for daa.</p> <p>JS queried if water was monitored at Dublin Airport. MM confirmed that a comprehensive monitoring programme was in place and that monthly reports are published on Dublin Airport's website. JS requested a map of the monitoring locations and MM committed to providing same along with links to the reports.</p>	<p>Residents</p> <p>daa</p>
8. Chairperson Meeting	Action
<p>Chair advised that he had no meetings.</p>	
9. AOB	Action
<p>No other business was discussed.</p>	

Meeting concluded at 8.55pm

Next Scheduled CLG Meeting:

Tuesday, March 25, 2025