



Gatwick Airport Consultative Committee

## **GATCOM NEWSLETTER**

### **4 September 2020**

#### **'LIVE' CONSULTATIONS**

##### **CAA: Reviewing airspace classification**

The CAA is seeking views on the procedure it proposes to adopt for amending the classification of airspace, reflecting the CAA's airspace functions, government policy and best practice decision-making. **Closing date: 17/09/2020.**

[https://consultations.caa.co.uk/policy-development/draft-procedure-to-review-airspace-classification/?mc\\_cid=c2da5f3bf1&mc\\_eid=f9727b8f0d](https://consultations.caa.co.uk/policy-development/draft-procedure-to-review-airspace-classification/?mc_cid=c2da5f3bf1&mc_eid=f9727b8f0d)

##### **APPG Inquiry: APPG launches inquiry into Building Aviation Back Better**

**Closing date: 14/09/2020**

<https://www.appgheathrowexpansion.com/inquiries>

##### **Network Rail: Unblocking the Croydon bottleneck**

Consultation on major proposals to unblock the Croydon bottleneck to provide Brighton Main Line passengers with more reliable, more frequent and faster services, and to provide the capacity needed for future growth

**Closing date: 20/09/2020**

<https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/sussex/upgrading-the-brighton-main-line/unblocking-the-croydon-bottleneck/>

##### **CAA Consultation: Policy for ADR applicants and approved ADR entities**

**Closing date: 25/09/2020**

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/cmng/policy-for-adr-applicants-and-entities/>

#### **NEW PUBLICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **Climate and Ecology Bill 2019-21**

Private Members' Bill (Presentation Bill) – 02/09/20

<https://services.parliament.uk/Bills/2019-21/climateandecology.html>

*(NB This Bill is being prepared for publication)*

##### **The contribution of global aviation to anthropogenic climate forcing for 2000 to 2018**

Science Direct 03/09/2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1352231020305689>

##### **Coronavirus (COVID-19): travel corridors**

DfT Guidance – updated 29/08/2020

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>

##### **Tangled Wings: Living With A Runway On My Doorstep (2020 Edition)**

AEF – 27/08/2020

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2020/08/27/tangled-wings-living-with-a-runway-on-my-doorstep-2020-edition/>

## NEWS HEADLINES

### **Government 'overseeing the demise of UK aviation'**

BBC 03/09/20

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-54004169>

### **Gatwick airport expects up to five-year wait for air travel demand to recover**

ITV – 28/08/2020

<https://www.itv.com/news/london/2020-08-28/gatwick-airport-expects-up-to-five-year-wait-for-air-travel-demand-to-recover>

### **Coronavirus: Gatwick passenger numbers collapse by 14.7 million**

BBC – 28/08/2020

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-53943734>

### **Gatwick airport hit by £343m loss as passenger numbers fall**

The Guardian 28/08/20

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2020/aug/28/gatwick-airport-hit-by-343m-loss-as-passenger-numbers-fall-covid-19>

### **100+ MPs urge chancellor to extend furlough scheme for aviation**

Travel Weekly – 28/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384377/100-mps-urge-chancellor-to-extend-furlough-scheme-for-aviation>

### **Coronavirus: Airlines call for US-UK 'testing trial' to resume more international flights**

Sky News 03/09/20

<https://news.sky.com/story/coronavirus-airlines-call-for-us-uk-testing-trial-to-resume-more-international-flights-12062875>

### **Analysis: The changing face of aviation**

BTN – 01/09/2020

[https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/Analysis-The-changing-face-of-aviation?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=eltrbtneurope](https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/Analysis-The-changing-face-of-aviation?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope)

### **Covid fears grow after reports of crowding among arrivals at UK airports**

The Guardian – 02/09/2020

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/sep/02/covid-fears-grow-after-reports-of-crowding-among-arrivals-at-uk-airports>

## GATWICK NEWS

### **Gatwick Airport plans to cut 600 jobs due to coronavirus**

CILT – 02/09/2020

<https://ciltuk.org.uk/News/Latest-News/ArtMID/6887/ArticleID/31036/Gatwick-Airport-plans-to-cut-600-jobs-due-to-coronavirus>

### **Virgin Atlantic facility at Gatwick to be converted for logistics**

Handling Storage Solutions 24/08/20

<https://www.hsssearch.co.uk/Virgin-Gatwick-converted-for-logistics>

### **BA refutes union claims of jobs discrimination at Gatwick**

Travel Weekly – 27/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384215/ba-refutes-union-claims-of-jobs-discrimination-at-gatwick>

## **Wizz Air plots Gatwick growth despite Covid-19 quarantine rollercoaster**

City AM – 25/08/2020

<https://www.cityam.com/wizz-air-plots-gatwick-growth-despite-covid-quarantine-rollercoaster/>

## **Wizz Air Sets Sights on 20-Jet Gatwick Base as Rivals Retreat**

Bloomberg 24/08/20

[https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-08-25/wizz-air-sets-sights-on-20-jet-gatwick-base-as-rivals-retreat?fbclid=IwAR1-Ow5Vktr\\_BBlD1mim5N3WPZ6Eyf34wYJn2sxxLKwBzHwWe3yZs2PSN4](https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2020-08-25/wizz-air-sets-sights-on-20-jet-gatwick-base-as-rivals-retreat?fbclid=IwAR1-Ow5Vktr_BBlD1mim5N3WPZ6Eyf34wYJn2sxxLKwBzHwWe3yZs2PSN4)

## **Gatwick Airport puts £180m Pier 6 job on hold**

Construction Enquirer – 28/08/20

<https://www.constructionenquirer.com/2020/08/28/gatwick-puts-pier-6-expansion-on-hold/>

## **Extinction Rebellion protests across Surrey, Hampshire and Sussex include Mad Hatter's tea party at Gatwick**

Get Surrey 29/08/20

<https://www.getsurrey.co.uk/news/surrey-news/gallery/extinction-rebellion-protests-across-surrey-18849922>

## **GAL PRESS RELEASES, EVENTS AND UPDATES**

### **Gatwick publishes half yearly results, as airport takes further steps to protect its future resilience against the economic impact of COVID-19**

Gatwick Press Release 28/08/2020

- Encouraging start to the year heavily impacted by significant drop in passenger numbers due to COVID-19
- Swift action taken to reduce operational costs and capital expenditure whilst the airport remained open throughout the pandemic
- Focus on safety and wellbeing of passengers and staff remains a priority
- Restructuring sets foundation for business to be in best place for recovery and future growth ...

[Click here](#) to see full press release

[Click here](#) to see presentation to investors

[Click here](#) to see the Financial Report & Statements

### **Gatwick announces significant companywide restructure plans**

Gatwick Press Release 26/08/2020

Gatwick has today announced plans for a significant restructure across its business designed to further reduce operating and staff costs in light of the dramatic impact COVID-19 has had on its passenger and air traffic numbers. The proposed organisation redesign will reshape the company so it is best placed to respond quickly to future growth.

The new proposals could result in the region of 600 job roles being removed from across the business, which is approximately 24% of the current number of employees. The company will now enter into a formal consultation process with employees...

[Click here](#) to see full press release.

### **Airspace Office Quarterly Report**

This report covers the period 1st April – 30th June 2020 and contains detailed data on aircraft activity at Gatwick including the adherence to the noise mitigation measures detailed in the UK AIP, a report on night flying during the period, and an analysis of noise complaints received during the period - [Click here](#) to see.

## **Airspace Blog Update – 01/09/20**

**Departure Route 4** - [Click here](#) to see the latest update on Route 4 2012 Airspace Change Post Implementation Review Decision and Route 4 2018 Airspace Change.

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **Climate emergency bill offers real hope**

The Guardian 02/09/20

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2020/sep/02/climate-emergency-bill-offers-real-hope>

### **Zero-emission electric planes are the future of transatlantic air travel**

GQ – 30/08/2020

<https://www.gq-magazine.co.uk/lifestyle/article/electric-plane>

### **Hydrogen infrastructure: the key to successful sustainable aviation**

Hydrogen Fuel News – 10/08/2020

<https://www.hydrogenfuelnews.com/hydrogen-infrastructure-the-key-to-successful-sustainable-aviation/8540324/>

### **Fresh air, no sound? Singapore scientists test 'anti-noise' windows**

Reuters – 30/07/2020

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-singapore-tech-noise-trfn/fresh-air-no-sound-singapore-scientists-test-anti-noise-windows-idUSKCN24V18X>

### **'Devastation': how aviation industry's Covid crisis is hitting towns across UK**

The Guardian – 24/08/2020

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2020/aug/24/devastation-how-aviation-industrys-covid-crisis-is-hitting-towns-across-uk>

### **80 MPs write to prime minister calling for airport testing**

Travel Weekly – 25/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/383955/80-mps-write-to-prime-minister-calling-for-airport-testing>

### **IATA: Air industry 'largely paralysed' but July demand a bit better than June**

BTN Europe 02/09/20

[https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/IATA-Air-industry-largely-paralysed-but-July-demand-a-bit-better-than-June?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=eltrbtneurope](https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/IATA-Air-industry-largely-paralysed-but-July-demand-a-bit-better-than-June?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope)

### **IATA appeals for consistency across airports**

Travel Weekly – 28/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384439/iata-appeals-for-consistency-across-airports>

### **Governments 'need to do better' to restart travel, says IATA**

Travel Weekly – 01/09/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384661/governments-need-to-do-better-to-restart-travel-says-iata>

### **ACI analysis shows vanishing traffic, collapsing revenues, and rising risk**

ACI – 31/08/2020

<https://aci.aero/news/2020/08/31/aci-analysis-shows-vanishing-traffic-collapsing-revenues-and-rising-risk/>

### **Air arrivals down 89% in July compared to same time last year**

Metro – 27/08/2020

<https://metro.co.uk/2020/08/27/air-arrivals-89-july-compared-time-last-year-13185143/>

### **ACI World data shows COVID-19's dramatic effect on international air traffic**

ACI – 28/08/2020

<https://aci.aero/news/2020/08/28/aci-world-data-shows-covid-19s-dramatic-effect-on-international-air-traffic/>

### **Norwegian: Government loan not enough to cover losses**

BTN – 28/08/2020

<https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/Norwegian-Government-loan-not-enough-to-cover->

[losses?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=eltrbtneurope](https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/Norwegian-Government-loan-not-enough-to-cover-losses?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope)

### **ABTA 'focused on results not on making a noise'**

Travel Weekly – 01/09/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384566/abta-focused-on-results-not-on-making-a-noise>

### **ABTA chief: 'I hope we can move from whole country advice to regional advice'**

Travel Weekly – 26/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384003/abta-chief-i-hope-we-can-move-from-whole-country-advice-to-regional-advice>

### **ABTA warns of 90,000 job losses as it renews 'save future travel' plea**

Travel Weekly – 24/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/383709/abta-warns-of-90000-job-losses-as-it-renews-save-future-travel-plea>

### **Quarantine dismay hastens calls for testing**

Travel Weekly – 02/09/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384678/quarantine-dismay-hastens-calls-for-testing>

### **ACI World launches mobile app for global COVID-19 health measures**

International Airport Review – 20/08/2020

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/124766/aci-world-mobile-app-covid-19-measures/>

### **New Airport Service Quality Award Introduced In Response To COVID-19**

ACI – 02/09/2020

<http://www.publicnow.com/view/789B13897D2DF1639DA8CC8C7DFA718CD7916A87?1599049035>

### **A-Z of COVID-19 Ratings: Skytrax COVID-19 Airport Ratings evaluate the standards and effectiveness of hygiene processes and other preventative measures in place at airports to help reduce the spread of Coronavirus**

<https://skytraxratings.com/index-of-covid-19-airport-ratings>

### **'Limited prospects' of imminent changes to quarantine approach**

Travel Weekly – 26/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/383994/limited-prospects-of-imminent-changes-to-quarantine-approach>

### **Renewed plea for aviation sector aid as creditors back Virgin Atlantic rescue**

Travel Weekly – 26/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384016/renewed-plea-for-aviation-sector-aid-as-creditors-back-virgin-atlantic-rescue>

## Uber secures safe airport surface access during COVID-19

International Airport Review – 21/08/2020

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/122621/safety-standards-airport-surface-access-uber/>

## Face mask warning for air passengers

TravelMole – 25/08/2020

[https://www.travelmole.com/news\\_feature.php?news\\_id=2044058&c=setreg&region=2](https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2044058&c=setreg&region=2)

## Corporate travel faces 'bleak' winter

Travel Weekly – 24/08/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/383806/corporate-travel-faces-bleak-winter>

## COVID-19 NATS solutions for COVID aviation recovery

<https://www.nats.aero/services-products/covid-19-recovery-solutions/>

## UK airports 'bidding' for transatlantic Aer Lingus services

Travel Weekly – 02/09/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/384717/uk-airports-bidding-for-transatlantic-aer-lingus-services>

## GATWICK RELATED PLANNING APPLICATIONS/CONSENTS

The following applications are with Crawley Borough Council, both relating to the Gatwick Station Redevelopment project:

Application Number:	<a href="#">CR/2018/0273/CC6</a>		
Location:	GATWICK AIRPORT STATION, SOUTH TERMINAL, GATWICK, RH6 0NP		
Proposal:	DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS 3 (MATERIALS), 11 (CYCLE PARKING) & 13 (BIN STORAGE) PURSUANT TO CR/2018/0273/FUL FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STATION CONCOURSE/AIRPORT ENTRANCE AREA, LINK BRIDGES, PLATFORM CANOPIES, BACK OF HOUSE STAFF ACCOMMODATION AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENT WORKS		

Comments to the Borough Council are due by 17/09/20

Application Number:	<a href="#">CR/2018/0273/CC5</a>		
Location:	GATWICK AIRPORT RAILWAY STATION, GATWICK AIRPORT, CRAWLEY, RH6 0NP		
Proposal:	DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 10 (DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE) PURSUANT TO CR/2018/0273/FUL FOR PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STATION CONCOURSE/AIRPORT ENTRANCE AREA, LINK BRIDGES, PLATFORM CANOPIES, BACK OF HOUSE STAFF ACCOMMODATION AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENT WORKS		

Comments to the Borough Council are due by 10/09/20