



Gatwick Airport Consultative Committee

GATCOM NEWSLETTER JULY 2021

The purpose of GATCOM's newsletter is to help GATCOM member organisations and other interested parties keep up to date with the latest news articles, publications and innovations relating to Gatwick Airport and the wider aviation industry. It is not intended to promote or scrutinise any news articles, press releases or publications referenced.

LIVE CONSULTATIONS

DfT Consultation: Night flight restrictions at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports between 2022 and 2024 plus future night flight policy

Closing date: PART ONE (Q1-12) – closed on 03/03/2021 PART TWO (Q13 ONWARDS) – Extended closing date: 03/09/2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/night-flights-restrictions-at-heathrow-gatwick-and-stansted-airports-beyond-2024-plus-national-night-flight-policy>

DfT Consultation - Jet zero: our strategy for net zero aviation

Closing date: 08/09/21 **New**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/achieving-net-zero-aviation-by-2050>

DfT consultation: Mandating the use of sustainable aviation fuels in the UK

Closing date: 19/09/2021 **New**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/mandating-the-use-of-sustainable-aviation-fuels-in-the-uk>

Have your say on the Draft West Sussex Transport Plan 2022-2036

Closing date: 08/10/2021 **New**

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/draft-west-sussex-transport-plan-consultation>

Have your say on the draft Surrey Transport Plan 2022 to 2032 and beyond!

Closing date: 24/10/2021 **New**

<https://surreyltp4.commonplace.is/overview>

CAA Consultation: Engagement on our Strategy and Regulatory Principles

Closing date: 31/12/2021

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/corporate-communications/our-strategy-and-regulatory-principles/>

NEW PUBLICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Survey of Noise Attitudes 2014: Aircraft Noise and Sleep Disturbance (CAP2161)

CAA – 22/07/21. This report focuses on self-reported attitudes to sleep disturbance from aircraft noise, taken from responses to questions from within the larger SoNA 2014 study.

<https://caa.co.uk/cap2161>

The CAA has also published a second edition of **CAP1506, the Survey of Noise Attitudes 2014: Aircraft Noise and Annoyance** (<https://caa.co.uk/cap1506>). This has been produced to address two issues which have been identified in the noise modelling that was used in the SoNA 2014 study, following the initial publication of the report in February 2017.

Consultation outcome: Carbon offsetting in transport: a call for evidence

DfT – 14/07/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/carbon-offsetting-in-transport-a-call-for-evidence>

Consultation outcome: Amending the Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation (RTFO) to increase carbon savings on land, air and at sea

DfT – 14/07/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/amending-the-renewable-transport-fuels-obligation-rtfo-to-increase-carbon-savings-on-land-air-and-at-sea>

Green Fuels, Green Skies competition: Supporting the development of the emerging UK sector on its pathway to produce sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) at scale

DfT – 23/07/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/green-fuels-green-skies-gfqs-competition>

Catalyst South – The Future of Airport Towns

19/07/2021

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-AfC60xXaR0>

Industry partnership delivers support for airports in fighting wildlife trafficking

ACI – 28/06/2021

<https://aci.aero/news/2021/06/28/industry-partnership-delivers-support-for-airports-in-fighting-wildlife-trafficking/>

Westminster Hall Debate 07/07 - Future of regional airports

Download the full report here: <https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cdp-2021-0118/>

House of Commons Library – 06/07/2021

COVID's Impact on Flight Punctuality

OAG – 06/07/2021

<https://www.oag.com/blog/covids-impact-on-flight-punctuality>

ANIMA Hybrid Workshop on New Approaches to Mitigate Aviation Noise Impact

Download files from the workshop here: <https://anima-project.eu/news/details/anima-hybrid-workshop-on-new-approaches-to-mitigate-aviation-noise-impact>

CAA Consumer Panel Annual Report for year ended 31 March 2021

<https://publicapps.caa.co.uk/docs/33/Consumer%20Panel%20Annual%20Report%202021.pdf>

CAA Airspace Change Portal: FASI-South

Airspace Change Proposal Change Sponsor Indicative Timeline Update Request Form – 09/07/21

<https://airspacechange.caa.co.uk/PublicProposalArea?pID=54>

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED PUBLICATIONS, PRESS RELEASES, AND UPDATES

Monthly Performance Report

[June 2021](#)

What we're doing to limit aircraft noise

Airspace Blog – Updated 13/07/21

GAL Press Releases:

- **Reacting to news that double vaccinated EU and US visitors will no longer need to self-isolate on arrival**
Released 29/07/21
http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/21_07_28_reaction_to_removal_of_isolation_for_euus_passengers.aspx
- **Reaction to the removal of quarantine for double vaccinated travellers to Amber countries**
Released: 08/07/2021
http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/20_07_08_doubledosers.aspx

GATWICK IN THE NEWS

How the South will lead the future of airport towns: jobs, green growth and diversity in the wake of COVID-19

Coast to Capital LEP – 22/07/2021

<https://www.coast2capital.org.uk/media-centre/press-releases/how-the-south-will-lead-the-future-of-airport-towns-jobs-green-growth-and-diversity-in-the-wake-of-covid-19.html>

Campaign group dismayed after Government extends current night flight numbers and noise limits

Crawley Observer – 21/07/21

<https://www.crawleyobserver.co.uk/news/transport/campaign-group-dismayed-after-government-extends-current-night-flight-numbers-and-noise-limits-3316245>

Cleaner, Greener Airports: Making Aviation More Sustainable – VINCI Airports

International Airport Review – 23/07/21

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/161742/cleaner-greener-airports-making-aviation-more-sustainable-vinci-airports/>

Capitalise on our vaccine success and restart international travel - Gatwick Airport chief executive Stewart Wingate

Crawley Observer – 07/07/2021

<https://www.crawleyobserver.co.uk/news/transport/capitalise-on-our-vaccine-success-and-restart-international-travel-gatwick-airport-chief-executive-stewart-wingate-3297737>

Gatwick Airport is dealing with its greatest challenge - Henry Smith, MP for Crawley

Crawley and Horley Observer – 08/07/2021

<https://www.crawleyobserver.co.uk/news/transport/gatwick-airport-is-dealing-with-its-greatest-challenge-henry-smith-mp-for-crawley-3297746>

Major improvement work to 'breathe new life' into heart of Crawley begins

Crawley and Horley Observer – 01/07/2021

<https://www.crawleyobserver.co.uk/news/politics/major-improvement-work-to-breathe-new-life-into-heart-of-crawley-begins-3292766>

EasyJet starts Gatwick-Belfast City service

Travel Weekly – 09/07/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/easyjet-starts-gatwick-belfast-city-service>

This is great news not just for Gatwick, but also for our airlines and our passengers - Gatwick Airport's Chief Commercial Officer Jonathan Pollard

Crawley Observer – 13/07/2021

<https://www.crawleyobserver.co.uk/news/transport/this-is-great-news-not-just-for-gatwick-but-also-for-our-airlines-and-our-passengers-gatwick-airports-chief-commercial-officer-jonathan-pollard-3306044>

Industry reaction: European and US travellers to enter England without quarantine

Business Travel News – 28/07/21

<https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Management/Industry-response-EU-and-US-travellers-to-enter-England-without-quarantine>

Departure data reveals muted re-start for Gatwick

Travel Weekly – 23/07/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/departure-data-reveals-muted-re-start-for-gatwick>

UK's Gatwick Airport criticises slot allocation plan for winter

Airport Technology – 23/07/2021

<https://www.airport-technology.com/news/uk-gatwick-airport-slot-allocation-plan/>

Gatwick Airport: I went on holiday to a green list country and this is how stressful it really was

Sussex Live – 25/07/21

<https://www.sussexlive.co.uk/news/sussex-news/gatwick-airport-went-holiday-green-5683166>

Gatwick once had a plane spotting area and you could walk into the hangars - here's what visitors remember of it

My London – 14/07/2021

<https://www.mylondon.news/news/nostalgia/gatwick-once-plane-spotting-area-21047054>

OTHER NEWS

Jet Zero Council keeps up momentum with £3 million government funding for zero emission flight infrastructure as UK pioneers first-ever net zero carbon freighter flights

DfT – 30/06/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/jet-zero-council-keeps-up-momentum-with-3-million-government-funding-for-zero-emission-flight-infrastructure-as-uk-pioneers-first-ever-net-zero-carbo>

Airports warn of cash crunch and demand airlines pay more

Travel Weekly 22/06/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/airports-warn-of-cash-crunch-and-demand-airlines-pay-more>

CAA chairman vows to improve financial protection

Travel Weekly – 23/06/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/caa-chairman-vows-to-improve-financial-protection>

IATA: Global air traffic in May improved marginally

BTN Europe – 12/07/2021

https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/IATA-Global-air-traffic-in-May-improved-marginally?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope

Air Fares Soar To New Green List Destinations

Independent – 25/06/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/green-list-flight-holiday-uk-b1872285.html>

Airports warn of operational risks when implementing the EU Digital COVID Certificate

International Airport Review – 01/07/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/161133/airports-operational-risks-eu-digital-covid-certificate/>

How airlines will stop you losing your bags in the future

BBC – 02/07/2021

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-57232744>

Airlines UK, AOA, Bar-UK and IATA Joint Statement on Face Coverings

AOA – 19/07/2021

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/airlines-uk-aoa-bar-uk-and-iata-joint-statement-on-face-coverings/>

High Court backs government after MAG traffic light case

Travel Weekly – 20/07/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/high-court-rules-in-favour-of-government-after-mag-traffic-light-challenge> [includes link to judgement at bottom of page]

Border officials told not to make Covid checks on green and amber list arrivals

The Guardian – 20/07/21

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/jul/20/border-officials-told-not-to-make-covid-checks-on-green-and-amber-list-arrivals>

IATA survey: Travellers support masks, but not indefinitely

BTN – 22/07/21

https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/IATA-survey-Travellers-support-masks-but-not-indefinitely?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope

Collaboration is key in making aviation truly sustainable

International Airport Review – 30/06/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/161078/collaboration-aviation-sustainable/>

UK aviation's carbon plan allows rising emissions from planes

Guardian – 22/06/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2021/jun/22/uk-aviations-carbon-plan-allows-rising-emissions-from-planes>

CCC Progress Report To Parliament Critical Of Delays To Government Net Zero Aviation Plans

AEF – 28/06/2021

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2021/06/28/ccc-progress-report-to-parliament-critical-of-delays-to-government-net-zero-aviation-plans/>

Carry on flying, says government green plan

BBC 14/07/21

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-57830168>

Airlines need to do more than plant trees to hit net zero, MPs told

Guardian – 22/07/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/jul/22/airlines-need-to-do-more-than-plant-trees-to-hit-net-zero-mps-told>

Aviation noise: As levels of air travel begin to recover, with the relaxation of government restrictions and travel to amber list countries, the UK Civil Aviation Authority's Airspace Stakeholder Engagement Manager, Alex Coleman, looks at who plays what role in the issue of aviation noise

CAA blog – 22/07/2021

<https://www.caa.co.uk/Blog-Posts/Aviation-noise/>

Costing the earth: Environmentally-conscious travellers face paying around 50% more to travel by train than plane

Which? – 14/07/2021

<https://press.which.co.uk/whichpressreleases/costing-the-earth-environmentally-conscious-travellers-face-paying-around-50-more-to-travel-by-train-than-plane/>