



Gatwick Airport Consultative Committee

GATCOM NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 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

Future Mole Valley – Mole Valley's new Local Plan

Closing date: 07/11/21

<https://futuremolevalley.org/>

Future of transport regulatory review: future of flight

Closing date: 22/11/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-of-transport-regulatory-review-future-of-flight>

Gatwick Northern Runway - Statutory Pre-Application Consultation

Closing date 01/12/2021

<https://www.gatwickairport.com/futureplans>

See also Planning Inspectorate's Portal for September 2021 updates

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/gatwick-airport-northern-runway/?ipcsection=docs>

National Infrastructure Planning Reform Programme: stakeholder survey

Closing date: 17/12/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/national-infrastructure-planning-reform-programme-stakeholder-survey>

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

Covid: All countries to be removed from UK's travel red list

28/10/21

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/travel-update-all-countries-removed-from-the-uks-red-list>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-59063818>

Budget 2021 Sunak changes air taxes for UK and long-haul flights

BBC News – 28/10/21 [includes video]

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-politics-59063221>

See also:

Autumn Budget and Spending Review 2021 Speech

Gov.uk – 27/10/21 [full text of Budget speech]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/autumn-budget-and-spending-review-2021-speech>

Budget and COP26

ABTA Press Release -28/10/21

<https://www.abta.com/news/budget-and-cop26>

UK government sets new APD rates for 2023

BTNews – 27/10/21

https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/UK-government-sets-new-APD-rates-for-2023?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope

Chancellor claims APD changes will reduce emissions

Travel Weekly – 28/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/chancellor-claims-apd-changes-will-reduce-emissions>

A letter to Robert Courts MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, from the ICCAN Commissioners

As it ceased operations on 30 September 2021, the ICCAN Commissioners have written to MP Robert Courts in order to express what are in their views the priority areas of work to be undertaken on aviation noise.

ICCAN – 30/09/2021

<https://iccan.gov.uk/iccan-commissioners-letter-robert-courts-mp-aviation-noise/>

Transport Secretary agrees high-level principles with G7 leaders to support international and transatlantic travel

DfT – 30/09/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/transport-secretary-agrees-high-level-principles-with-g7-leaders-to-support-international-and-transatlantic-travel>

Control of development in airport public safety zones: The procedures and conditions for establishing public safety zones at the end of airport runways

DfT Policy Paper Update – 08/10/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/control-of-development-in-airport-public-safety-zones>

UK Civil Aviation Authority appoints new Non-Executive Director

CAA – 14/10/2021

<https://www.caa.co.uk/News/UK-Civil-Aviation-Authority-appoints-new-Non--Executive-Director/>

Airport Operators Association: Decarbonisation Report - Airports Have Halved Emissions Between 2010-2019

AOA - 19/10/2021

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/airports-have-halved-emissions-between-2010-2019/>

International Airport Review - Issue 5 2021

International Airport Review – 12/10/2021

<https://edition.pagesuite-professional.co.uk/html5/reader/production/default.aspx?pubname=&edid=c38e7dbc-337b-44bd-80d0-7e7911344c45>

CAA Traffic Data September 2021

[Air Transport Movements Comparison](#)

[Terminal and Transit Passengers](#)

GATCOM 14/10/21 - Key Messages from Meeting

<http://www.gatcom.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Key-messages-Final.pdf>

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED PUBLICATIONS, PRESS RELEASES, AND UPDATES

GAL Press Releases:

- **Gatwick to support local employment with 800 new construction jobs – alongside education and training – if Northern Runway plan is successful**
Released 22/10/21 <http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/21-10-22-gatwick-to-support-local-employment-with-800-new-construction-jobs.aspx>
- **Sustainable Aviation Fuel introduced for first time at Gatwick in collaboration between Q8Aviation, easyJet, Gatwick and Neste**
Released 19/10/21 http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/21_10_19_saf_easyjet_event.aspx
- **Gatwick proposing to cap aircraft noise – and a more generous Noise Insulation Scheme – if Northern Runway plan is successful**
Released 06/10/21 http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/21_10_06_noise_cap.aspx
- **Gatwick inspires future female engineers from Horsham and the Bronx through transatlantic Engineering Tomorrow event**
Released 01/10/21 http://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/press-releases/all/21_09_29_gatwick_inspires_future_female_engineers_through_transatlantic_engineering_tomorrow_event.aspx

GAL Publications

Gatwick Northern Runway Consultation

[Mobile Project Office – schedule for November](#)

Noise & Track Monitoring Advisory Group (NATMAG) extraordinary meeting 16/09/21

END Noise Action Plan 2019-2024 Mid Term Report

[Minutes of Meeting](#)

Section 106 Agreement – Verified Annual Monitoring Report 2020

<https://www.gatwickairport.com/globalassets/company/sustainability/reports/2020/s106-annual-monitoring-report-2020.pdf>

GATWICK IN THE NEWS

Doubling down on London: Onboard JetBlue's first flight to London Gatwick

The Points Guy – 01/10/2021

<https://thepointsguy.co.uk/news/jetblue-london-gatwick-onboard-inaugural-nonstop-flight/>

See also: **JetBlue's inaugural JFK-Gatwick service lands**

BTNews – 19/10/21

https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/JetBlue-s-inaugural-JFK-Gatwick-service-lands?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eltrbtneurope

Norwegian news

BTNews – 11/10/21

<https://www.btnews.co.uk/article/18253>

Nouvelair to restart Tunis flights in March

Travel Weekly – 15/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/nouvelair-to-restart-tunis-flights-in-march>

Air Transat adds Gatwick-Quebec City flight

Travel Weekly – 27/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/air-transat-adds-gatwick-quebec-city-flight>

Emirates upgrades Gatwick service with A380 flights

TravelMole – 29/10/21

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2049089&c=setreg®ion=2

Vistara Plans Delhi To Newark Flight... Via London?!

One Mile At A Time – 27/10/21

<https://onemileatatime.com/news/vistara-newark-flight/>

Guernsey to recapitalise Aurigny to tune of \$86.3mn

Ch-Aviation – 19/10/21

<https://www.ch-aviation.com/portal/news/108819-guernsey-to-recapitalise-aurigny-to-tune-of-863mn>

Easyjet Unveils First Airport Lounge At Gatwick

Independent – 20/10/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/easyjet-first-airport-lounge-gatwick-b1941719.html>

In For The Long-Hail: What Does Gatwick's Future Hold?

Simple Flying – 21/10/21

<https://simpleflying.com/london-gatwick-long-haul-future/>

Pilot pay deal paves way for BA short-haul hub at Gatwick

City AM – 07/10/2021

<https://www.cityam.com/pilots-pay-deal-paves-way-for-ba-short-haul-hub-at-gatwick/>

Easyjet CEO says BA plan for Gatwick not 'something we will lose sleep over'

Evening Standard – 12/10/2021

<https://www.standard.co.uk/business/easyjet-ceo-says-ba-plan-for-gatwick-not-something-we-will-lose-sleep-over-b959987.html>

Airport chiefs slam government over 'how little support' delivered

Travel Weekly – 20/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/airport-chiefs-slam-government-over-how-little-support-delivered>

Gatwick Proposes Noise Cap on Aircraft and Introduces New Insulation Scheme for Nearby Residents

NI Travel News – 07/10/2021

<https://nitravelnews.com/news/gatwick-proposes-noise-cap-on-aircraft-and-introduces-new-insulation-scheme-for-nearby-residents/>

Watch the first ever flight to depart Gatwick Airport using Sustainable Aviation Fuel

Mid Sussex Times – 19/10/21 [includes Video]

<https://www.midsussextimes.co.uk/news/environment/watch-the-first-ever-flight-to-depart-gatwick-airport-using-sustainable-aviation-fuel-3424487>

OTHER NEWS

Government slammed for pandemic management missteps

Travel Mole – 12/10/2021

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2048874&c=setreg®ion=2

Border queues 'down to bugs and restriction changes'

Travel Weekly – 13/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/border-queues-down-to-bugs-and-restriction-changes>

Crash of NHS Covid app hits travellers

Travel Weekly – 13/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/crash-of-nhs-covid-app-hits-travellers>

Delay in day-two test change 'due to Passenger Locator Form complexity'

Travel Weekly – 13/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/delay-in-day-two-test-change-due-to-passenger-locator-form-complexity>

Abta urges devolved governments to also drop PCR testing

Travel Weekly – 15/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/abta-urges-devolved-governments-to-also-drop-pcr-testing>

Restrictions at border to remain, says transport secretary

Travel Weekly – 19/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/restrictions-at-border-to-remain-says-transport-secretary>

Accelerated return of business travel triggered as borders reopening

iNews – 22/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/accelerated-return-of-business-travel-triggered-as-borders-reopening>

Four in 10 British people 'still afraid to fly', poll finds

Travel Weekly – 25/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/four-in-10-british-people-still-afraid-to-fly-poll-finds>

Disabled passengers could board aircraft with own wheelchair thanks to new airline seat design

iNews – 22/10/21

<https://inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/travel/disabled-passengers-could-board-aircraft-with-own-wheelchair-thanks-to-new-airline-seat-design-1263798?ITO=newsnow>

Airline industry past worst point of Covid crisis, says trade body

Guardian – 04/10/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2021/oct/04/airline-industry-past-worst-point-of-covid-crisis-says-trade-body>

AOA Annual Conference 2021: Here's What Happened

AOA Annual Conference: "Back To The Future"

AOA – 19/10/2021

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-annual-conference-2021-heres-what-happened/>

Aviation sector targets net-zero carbon emissions by 2050

Travel Weekly – 05/10/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/aviation-sector-targets-net-zero-carbon-emissions-by-2050>

Chief scientific adviser says flying habits need to change

Travel Weekly – 28/10/21

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/chief-scientific-adviser-says-flying-habits-need-to-change>

Are easyJet and Jet2's sustainability strategies any good?

Independent – 04/10/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/climate-change/sustainable-living/are-easyjet-and-jet2-s-sustainability-strategies-any-good-b1930830.html>

Google: flight search tool can help you fly "greener"

Independent – 06/10/21

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/google-airlines-for-america-sundar-pichai-boeing-united-b1933597.html>

Watchdog to launch crackdown on ads falsely claiming green credentials

Guardian - 23/09/21

<https://www.theguardian.com/media/2021/sep/23/watchdog-to-launch-crackdown-on-ads-falsely-claiming-green-credentials>

See also for info [The Green Claims Code by the Competition and Markets Authority](#)

Government Mulls Counting Aviation Biofuel As Generating Zero Emissions Under UK Emissions Trading Scheme

AEF – 14/10/2021

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2021/10/14/government-mulls-counting-aviation-biofuel-as-generating-zero-emissions-under-uk-emissions-trading-scheme/>

How do you make air travel greener? This Rolls-Royce pledge is a big part of the answer

Sky News – 15/10/2021

<https://news.sky.com/story/how-do-you-make-air-travel-greener-this-rolls-royce-pledge-is-a-big-part-of-the-answer-12433702>

Government buries aviation study calling for climate-driven restrictions

New Civil Engineer – 22/10/21

<https://www.newcivilengineer.com/latest/government-buries-aviation-study-calling-for-climate-driven-restrictions-22-10-2021/>

Climate policies are 50% more effective when they consider air pollution

Air Quality News – 27/10/21

<https://airqualitynews.com/2021/10/27/climate-policies-are-50-more-effective-when-they-consider-air-pollution/>

Contrails: How tweaking flight plans can help the climate

BBC News – 22/10/21

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-58769351>

More green flight technologies win funding

BTNews – 30/09/21

<https://www.businesstravelnewseurope.com/Air-Travel/More-green-flight-technologies-win-funding>

X-59 QueSST: The quiet supersonic aeroplane that could revolutionise air travel

Science Focus – 11/10/2021

<https://www.sciencefocus.com/future-technology/x-59-quest/>

Reform Aviation Taxation To Accurately Reflect Aviation's Environmental Cost, Campaigners Tell Treasury

AEF – 18/10/2021

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2021/10/18/reform-aviation-taxation-to-accurately-reflect-aviations-environmental-cost-campaigners-tell-treasury/>