

# GATCOM WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN



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## **CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS**

### **Environment Agency Consultation: Enforcement and sanctions policy updates to include UK ETS and CORSIA**

Closing date: 16/07/2024

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enforcement-and-sanctions-policy-updates-to-include-uk-ets-and-corsia>

### **DfT Consultation: Sustainable aviation fuels revenue certainty mechanism: revenue certainty options**

Closing date: 20/06/2024

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/sustainable-aviation-fuels-revenue-certainty-mechanism-revenue-certainty-options>

## **PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES**

### **Top Airport Experts Gather In Montreal For The First ACI World Committee Forum**

ACI – 16/06/2024

<https://aci.aero/2024/06/16/top-airport-experts-gather-in-montreal-for-the-first-aci-world-committee-forum/>

### **AOA COMMENTS ON LABOUR MANIFESTO**

AOA – June 2024

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-comments-on-labour-manifesto/>

### **AOA COMMENTS ON CONSERVATIVE MANIFESTO**

AOA \_ June 2024

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-comments-on-conservative-manifesto/>



**SITA: Air transport industry improves baggage handling, despite surge in passengers**

International Airport Review – 18/06/2024

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/223499/sita-baggage-handling/>

**GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED MEDIA RELEASES**

**14 new routes launch at London Gatwick ahead of summer getaways**

18/06/2024

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/14-new-routes-launch-at-london-gatwick-ahead-of-summer-getaways-74cf-40f32.html>

**GATWICK PRESS AND MEDIA**

**Gatwick's expansion is 'incredibly important for the UK', says boss**

CITY AM – 19/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/gatwicks-expansion-is-incredibly-important-for-the-uk-says-boss/>

**Gatwick boss on the hub's bumper summer and the return of Virgin Atlantic**

City AM – 18/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/gatwick-boss-on-the-hubs-bumper-summer-and-the-return-of-virgin-atlantic/>

**Bring in duty free on arrival for post-Brexit boost, says Gatwick boss**

City AM – 13/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/bring-in-duty-free-on-arrival-for-post-brexit-boost-says-gatwick-boss/>

**Calls for direct trains from Kent to Gatwick**

BBC – 18/06/2024

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c6pp1nqlwg4o>

**Gatwick Airport taxi and PHV drivers to protest over out-of-town TfL licensed Uber drivers**

Taxi Point – 18/06/2024

<https://www.taxi-point.co.uk/post/cross-border-action-gatwick-airport-taxi-and-phv-drivers-to-protest-over-out-of-town-tfl-licensed-u>



## General Headlines

### Passenger traffic surges close to full recovery, ACI Europe reveals

Passenger Terminal Today – 10/06/2024

[https://www.passengerterminaltoday.com/news/covid-19/passenger-traffic-surges-close-to-full-recovery-aci-europe-reveals.html?utm\\_campaign=17.06.2024&utm\\_source=emailCampaign&utm\\_content=&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.passengerterminaltoday.com/news/covid-19/passenger-traffic-surges-close-to-full-recovery-aci-europe-reveals.html?utm_campaign=17.06.2024&utm_source=emailCampaign&utm_content=&utm_medium=email)

### Air traffic returns to pre-pandemic levels for the first time

NATS – 14/06/2024

<https://www.nats.aero/news/air-traffic-returns-to-pre-pandemic-levels-for-the-first-time/>

### Wizz Air named as worst airline for flight delays – check the full list

Independent – 13/06/2024

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/flight-delays-worse-airlines-wizz-air-b2561798.html>

### Aer Lingus pilots vote for industrial action in pay dispute

Travel Weekly – 18/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/aer-lingus-pilots-vote-for-industrial-action-in-pay-dispute>

### Pilots' union sets out four-point wish list for new government

Travel Weekly – 18/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/pilots-union-sets-out-four-point-wish-list-for-new-government>

### Inside the world's largest £23bn airport with four more runways than Heathrow

Express – 17/06/2024

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/world/1912000/largest-airport-in-the-world-runways>

## Passenger news

### Everything you need to know about flight disruption this summer

iNews – 14/06/2024

<https://inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/travel/everything-to-know-flight-disruption-3109503?ITO=newsnow>



**Exact date holidaymakers face more chaos as M25 to shut between Heathrow and Gatwick for a full weekend**

LBC – 18/06/2024

<https://www.lbc.co.uk/news/exact-date-m25-shut-between-heathrow-gatwick-airport/>

**The snacks that could cost you up to 48pc more in airports and train stations**

Telegraph – 16/06/2024

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2024/06/16/high-street-chains-charge-up-to-48pc-more-transport-hubs/>

**Jet2 to pursue disruptive passenger for ‘five-figure costs’ of flight diversion**

Travel Weekly – 13/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/jet2-to-pursue-disruptive-passenger-for-five-figure-costs-of-flight-diversion>

**Comment: Are more turbulent times ahead for air passengers?**

Travel Weekly – 17/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/in-depth/comment/comment-are-more-turbulent-times-ahead-for-air-passengers>

**Industry news**

**Aviation sector improves baggage handling performance despite passenger surge**

Travel Weekly – 13/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/aviation-sector-improves-baggage-handling-performance-despite-passenger-surge>

**Environmental news**

**Biofuel groups envision ethanol-powered jets. But fueling the effort has not been easy**

Daily Mail – 18/06/2024

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/ap/article-13541173/Biofuel-groups-envision-ethanol-powered-jets-But-fueling-effort-not-easy.html>



## OTHER UKACCS MEMBER AIRPORTS

### Aberdeen

#### Fears of business interruption at Aberdeen Airport grow

Aberdeen Business News – 17/06/2024

<https://aberdeenbusinessnews.co.uk/fears-of-business-interruption-at-aberdeen-airport-grow/>

#### Airports criticise reintroduction of limit on liquids carried in hand luggage

Aberdeen Live – 13/06/2024

<https://www.aberdeenlive.news/news/aberdeen-news/airports-criticise-reintroduction-limit-liquids-9340074>

### Birmingham

#### Birmingham Airport: Passengers complain of another morning of 'chaotic' queues

Express & Star – 17/06/2024

<https://www.expressandstar.com/news/local-hubs/birmingham/2024/06/17/birmingham-airport-passengers-complain-of-another-morning-of-chaotic-queues/>

#### Birmingham Airport recruits 100 workers as no end in sight for 'painful' rule change

Birmingham Mail – 17/06/2024

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/midlands-news/birmingham-airport-recruits-100-workers-29357834>

#### Tui urges minimum of three hours for Birmingham airport check-in

Travel Weekly – 14/06/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/tui-urges-minimum-of-three-hours-for-birmingham-airport-check-in>

### Bristol

#### 'Serious' software glitch meant plane taking off from Bristol barely cleared the runway

Sky – 07/06/2024

<https://news.sky.com/story/serious-software-glitch-meant-plane-taking-off-from-bristol-barely-cleared-the-runway-13149265>



## East Midlands

### Examined: East Midlands Airport's Unlikely Status As A Cargo Hub

Simple Flying – 16/06/2024

<https://simpleflying.com/east-midlands-airport-cargo/>

## Edinburgh

### Edinburgh Airport closes helpline after misdirected abuse

Travel Radar – 17/06/2024

<https://travelradar.aero/edinburgh-airport-closes-helpline-after-misdirected-abuse/>

### Unite secures Edinburgh airport pay deal for hundreds of workers

Unite – 19/06/2024

<https://www.unitetheunion.org/news-events/news/2024/june/unite-secures-edinburgh-airport-pay-deal-for-hundreds-of-workers>

### New food and drink outlets to open in Edinburgh Airport

The Herald – 18/06/2024

<https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/24395740.new-food-drink-outlets-open-edinburgh-airport/>

## Leeds Bradford

### New security tech at Leeds Bradford Airport means 'smoother, faster' journey for travellers

Prolific North – 17/06/2024

<https://www.prolificnorth.co.uk/news/new-security-tech-at-leeds-bradford-airport-means-smoother-faster-journey-for-travellers/>

### Leeds Bradford Airport drop-off charges criticised by RAC

Ilkley Gazette – 18/06/2024

<https://www.ilkeygazette.co.uk/news/24395433.leeds-bradford-airport-drop-off-charges-criticised-rac/>



## Liverpool

### Liverpool Airport and UEFA Champions League team agree special deal

Liverpool World – 19/06/2024

<https://www.liverpoolworld.uk/sport/the-new-saints-liverpool-john-lennon-airport-4671325>

## London City

### London City Airport forced to reintroduce 100ml liquid rule as airport bosses slam ministers for passenger confusion

The Standard – 13/06/2024

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/london-city-airport-100ml-liquid-rule-department-for-transport-b1164061.html>

## London Heathrow

### Ignore the naysayers. Heathrow's new boss is charting a course out of turbulence

City AM – 17/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/ignore-the-naysayers-heathrows-new-boss-is-charting-a-course-out-of-turbulence/>

### Heathrow faces near billion-pound rates time bomb

City AM – 16/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/heathrow-faces-near-billion-pound-rates-time-bomb/>

### Saudi Arabia takes larger Heathrow stake in £3.3bn deal

City AM – 15/06/2024

<https://www.cityam.com/saudi-arabia-takes-heathrow-stake-in-3-3bn-deal/>

### London's Heathrow Airport saw a record-breaking number of passengers last year

Time Out – 14/06/2024

<https://www.timeout.com/london/news/londons-heathrow-airport-just-recorded-its-highest-ever-passenger-total-061424>

### Passenger surge fuels Heathrow third runway debate

CILT – 12/06/2024

<https://ciltuk.org.uk/News/Latest-News/ArtMID/6887/ArticleID/37621/Passenger-surge-fuels-Heathrow-third-runway-debate>



**We live by Heathrow Airport – ‘disgusting’ taxi drivers are ruining our lives... they wee in the street & ‘intimidate us’**

The Sun – 19/06/2024

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/motors/28587340/heathrow-airport-disgusting-taxi-drivers-ruining-lives/>

**Popularity of Elizabeth line encourages airport passengers to switch from Heathrow Express**

The Standard – 18/06/2024

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/transport/rail-train-journeys-passengers-increase-heathrow-express-elizabeth-line-b1164112.html>

**London Luton**

**King’s Birthday Honours List: Luton Airport Parkway station manager awarded BEM for making railway more accessible**

Luton Today – 17/06/2024

<https://www.lutontoday.co.uk/news/people/kings-birthday-honours-list-luton-airport-parkway-station-manager-awarded-bem-for-making-railway-more-accessible-4668327>

**London Luton Airport puts dads in the spotlight for Father’s Day weekend**

The Moodie Davitt Report – 13/06/2024

<https://moodiedavittreport.com/images-of-the-day-london-luton-airport-puts-dads-in-the-spotlight-for-fathers-day-weekend/>

**London Southend**

**Southend Airport holidaymakers on first Bulgaria flight**

Echo – 18/06/2024

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/24393395.holidaymakers-get-away-first-southend-bulgaria-flight/>





## London Stansted

### Record-breaking footfall at London Stansted Airport in May

Saffron Walden Reporter – 16/06/2024

<https://www.saffronwaldenreporter.co.uk/news/24387652.record-breaking-footfall-london-stansted-airport-may/>

### National Express launches faster coach between London and Stansted Airport

My London – 17/06/2024

<https://www.mylondon.news/news/transport/national-express-launches-faster-coach-29367788>

## Manchester

### Manchester Airport issues update on scanners following liquid rules U-turn

Manchester Evening News – 13/06/2024

<https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/manchester-airport-issues-update-scanners-29350735>

### Let the train take the strain? Not if you are heading for the airport

Independent – 19/06/2024

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/train-airport-manchester-delay-stress-b2564898.html>

## Newcastle

### Newcastle Airport celebrates strong progress on sustainability goals

Routes – 17/06/2024

<https://www.routesonline.com/airports/8267/newcastle-international-airport/news/299663203/newcastle-airport-celebrates-strong-progress-on-sustainability-goals/>

### Newcastle Airport's private jet facility celebrates refurbishment

Business Airport International – 18/06/2024

<https://www.businessairportinternational.com/news/newcastle-airports-private-jet-facility-celebrates-refurbishment.html>