



Meeting note

Project	Heathrow Airport Expansion
Meeting	Project update meeting
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Attendees	Heathrow Airport Ltd Ian Frost (Head of Planning) Simon Earles (Consents Director) Sheelagh McGregor (Solicitor) The Planning Inspectorate Susannah Guest (Infrastructure Planning Lead) Tom Carpen (Infrastructure Planning Lead) Richard Price (National Infrastructure Case Manager) Kate Mignano (Case Officer) David Price (Environmental Services) Dave Anthony (Lawyer)
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given:

Publication of draft Airports National Policy Statement (dANPS)

The Planning Inspectorate and HAL noted the recent publication of the dANPS by the Department for Transport (DfT) on 2 February 2017. The detailed content was not discussed but HAL noted that as part of the consultation process they would be making representations to DfT in due course.

The Inspectorate noted the draft requirements in the dANPS for certain documents/ assessments/ strategies to be promoted or produced by an Applicant. Some of these would require for an Applicant to formally engage with specific groups with certain roles eg a Local Transport Forum. HAL made reference to its engagement strategy in this regard, drawing attention to the framework of airport stakeholder groups, including the Heathrow Airport Consultative Committee (HACC), and how these might need to operate alongside a new Community Engagement Board.

Stakeholder relationships

HAL confirmed a joint-working arrangement with Highways England in respect of elements of the proposed development which would require works on the strategic

road network. Discussions had also started with a number of statutory bodies, including the Environment Agency, and draft Service-level Agreements were being put in place where appropriate.

It was noted that PINS had attended the last meeting of the Heathrow Strategic Planning Group (HSPG) and provided a presentation about the Planning Act 2008 process. HAL updated that the next HSPG meeting was scheduled for 21 February 2017.

HAL described 'immersion days' which had taken place with the airline community. The Inspectorate confirmed that it could provide a presentation to the airline community about the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008) process and the community's status and role within it; the degree of specificity associated with the process and the provisions within a Development Consent Order (DCO); and what the Inspectorate will expect from HAL as an Applicant.

HAL summarised its engagement with the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) and the Inspectorate clarified the CAA's status and role in the PA2008 process. Along with HAL and DfT, CAA is a core member of the Heathrow Coordination Board (HCB). The HCB has specific sub-groups with bespoke membership eg Network Rail and Highways England form part of the sub-group dealing with surface access. HCB met monthly and the next meeting was scheduled for 22 February 2017.

Land interests

HAL confirmed that Mouchel and TerraQuest were acting on its behalf as land agents, and that questionnaires had been sent to properties to which access could be required for environmental survey work.

The Inspectorate enquired about HAL's methodology for identifying persons who could fall within s57(4) of the PA2008 (Category 3 persons). HAL stated that its methodology in this regard was evolving. HAL emphasised that its goal was to develop a methodological approach that could be applied consistently.

Airspace change

The Inspectorate referred to the Government's open consultation on reforming policy on the design and use of UK airspace. The Inspectorate emphasised that HAL should endeavor to make clear to stakeholders the separation of consultations about airspace change; the dANPS; and HAL's application for development consent.

Environmental impact assessment etc

In respect of assessing the impacts of aircraft noise, the Inspectorate summarised the Rochdale Envelope approach and enquired about the degree of flexibility that HAL might seek to include in a DCO. HAL summarised its approach to assessing flight path design envelope options as part of its EIA, and proposed for a future 'themed' meeting(s) with the Inspectorate to discuss this and other EIA matters with appropriate experts in attendance.

Attendees also briefly discussed the issue of phasing and how such an approach might appropriately be secured in a DCO.

The Inspectorate agreed to send to HAL details about Evidence Plan Terms of Reference.

Specific decisions/ follow up required?

- HAL and the Inspectorate to schedule 'themed' EIA meeting with HAL and presentation to the Civil Aviation Authority/ the airline industry.
- The Inspectorate to send Evidence Plan Terms of Reference to HAL.

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