

COVENTRY AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 1600 hours.

Present:	Mr Peter Burns MBE (PB)	Chairman
	Mr Ron Walker (RW)	Based operator Midland Air Training and Airpark Flight Centre and vice-chairman of the CACC.
	Cllr Roger Horsfall (RH)	Baginton Parish Council
	Mr John Astle (JA)	Stoneleigh & Ashow and Bubbenhall Parish Council
	Mr Alan Yates (AY)	Campaign to Protect Rural England
	Cllr Trevor Wright (TW)	Warwick District Council
	Mr Larry Coltman (LC)	Coventry & Warwickshire Chamber of Commerce

In Attendance from Coventry Airport:

Mr Andy Hixon (AH)	Coventry Airport, Operations Accountable Manager
Mrs Tracy Sweeney (TS)	Quality System Manager (Scribe)

In Attendance from Rigby Real Estate:

Mr Mike Murray (MM)	Rigby Group
Mr James Walters (JW)	Rigby Group

Absent/ Apologies:

Steve Lindon (SL)	SAFISO, Coventry Airport Ltd
Mr Peter Jones (PJ)	Chairman Coventry Airport Tenants and Users Association (CATUA)
Cllr Ram Lakha (RL)	Coventry City Council
Mr Richard Pace (RP)	Coventry Airport Oversight Director

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1. Welcome and Introductions:

The meeting was declared open at 16:00 hours by the Chairman.

2. Apologies:

Richard Pace (RP) – Coventry Airport

Steve Lindon (SL) – Coventry Airport

Peter Jones (PJ) – CATUA

Ram Lakha (RL) – Coventry City Council

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest:

There were no declarations of conflict of interest raised.

4. Minutes of meeting on 19th January 2022:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

5. Matters Arising:

PB – Clarity on what an ‘Investment Zone’ is?

MM – Section 106 agreed in July – Every council in the country can apply to be part of an investment zone. Application was submitted on Friday for the airport, UKBIC, Jaguar Landrover sites to become an investment zone.

TW – Becoming an investment zone opens opportunities to get funding.

6. Airport Update:

AH - Staff – Paul Pendleton-Brown (MATS) has left the company and Steve Lindon has been promoted to Senior Aerodrome Flight Information Service Officer (SAFISO). Ground Crew Manager has left and there is a vacancy to be filled within the department.

Movements are up on previous year which currently stands at (as of 31/10/2022) 26,834 (1,455 more than 2021 with 2 months still to go).

Hangars are occupied and getting enquiries on a regular basis.

PB – Could there be an update on the airports financial status given?

AH – Will request figures from Richard Pace.

RW – How much longer are the based operators going to be subjected to the uncertainty of closure and how likely is it that the giga-factory will go ahead and If the giga-factory does not proceed will the lease holders continue to support the airport or is a change of use more likely to take place?

7. Any Other Business:

AH – Minutes can be published on the website (as previous).

PB – Frequency to meet twice a year subject to significant changes. Constitution of the meeting is to discuss openly about matters concerning the airport however attendance to sit on the committee is by invitation only.

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8. Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 18th April 2023 @ 4pm**. An invite will be issued with confirmation date.

The meeting was closed by the chairman at 16:45

Thank you for your attendance.