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NOISE MONITORING SUB-COMMITTEE

Friday, 22 April 2022

Present:

Norman Elias, Chair James Candlin, Environmental Health, Cheshire West and Chester Council Ian Gaskell, Environmental Health, Knowsley Council Councillor Lynnie Hinnigan, Liverpool Council, Cressington Ward David King-Hele, Environmental Health, Wirral Council Tony Rice, Disabled Persons Councillor Malcolm Spargo, Hale Parish Council Bob Swann, Chair of Consultative Committee

Liverpool John Lennon Airport Colin Barnes, Environmental Advisor Andrew Dutton, Head of Environment

<u>Secretariat</u> Mike Jones, Secretary Joe D'Henin, Assistant Secretary

9 APOLOGIES

No apologies for absence had been received.

Before the meeting proceeded, the Secretary invited members of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for the next calendar year.

Norman Elias was nominated by Tony Rice (seconded by Cllr Malcolm Spargo) to be appointed Chair. As nobody else was nominated, Norman Elias was to be appointed Chair unopposed.

Tony Rice was nominated by Bob Swann (seconded by Malcolm Spargo). As nobody else was nominated, Tony Rice was to be appointed Vice-Chair unopposed.

Resolved That -

1) Norman Elias be appointed Chair of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee for the period April 2022-April 2023

2) Tony Rice be appointed Vice Chair of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee for the period April 2022-2023.

10 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

11 CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

The Sub-Committee were informed that Alan Ascott of the ARCH under the Bridge community organisation in Garston was to temporarily step down from participation at meetings but it was hoped he could return in future

12 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Resolved - that the minutes of the meeting of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee held on 21st January 2022 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

13 NOISE COMPLAINTS LOG

Colin Barnes introduced the Noise Log for the period 1st January 2022 to 31st March 2022 with a comparison of aircraft movements for the first week in March in 2019, 2020 and 2021. A marked decrease in movements between 2019 and 2020 was noted, due to Covid, but when compared with 2021 a recovery towards pre-pandemic levels could be seen. Colin proceeded to talk the Sub-committee through the slides attached, providing a breakdown of the13 complaints received during the period. The slides analysed complaints by date, complainants, area, reasons for complaints (including operations, routes and runway usage), and comparisons with previous years. It was noted that there was no more than 1 complaint on any single day during the period, whilst March saw the highest number of complaints with 6, from 6 different individuals. A direct comparison between number of complaints with the volume of aircraft movements was pointed out, whilst a direct correlation with the use of Runway 09 and increased complaints was also highlighted.

Resolved That – The Noise Log for the period 1st January to 31st March 2022 be noted.

14 AIRSPACE CHANGE

Andrew Dutton provided an update on the Liverpool John Lennon Airport (LJLA) Airspace Change Proposal (ACP). Since the last update, it was noted that the proposal remained paused at Stage IV of the CAP1616 process. Members were updated on the development of the overall Airspace Masterplan, in which two iterations had been developed relating to Stage I and Stage II of the CAP1616 process. The Sub-Committee were informed that LJLA were waiting on the development of further iterations relating to Stage III before proceeding with the proposal. Members learned that the Airspace Change Organising Group (ACOG) had been tasked with coordinating airspace change in the United Kingdom. ACOG had divided the country in to different segments, with LJLA being grouped with Manchester, Leeds/Bradford and East Midlands Airports. The Sub-Committee were informed that implementation of the Airspace Change Proposal was envisaged to be completed in 2026-2028, which was noted as some years ahead of the original completion estimate of 2020. Members also learned that Manchester Airport were commencing with Stage II engagement session in the coming weeks.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee would be on 15th July 2022.

16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Environmental Noise Regulations (European Noise Directive) Update

Following up from the last meeting of the Noise Monitoring Sub-Committee, where it was brought to the attention of members that as the competent authority for aviation noise, LJLA was required to produce a Noise Map every 5 years. An update was provided on the Airport's request to the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA) to use 2022, rather than using the year 2021, as the base year for a Noise Map comparison with 2016, due to the dramatically reduced volume of aircraft movements during 2021 as a result of the pandemic.

It was noted that the outcome of that request was that DEFRA rejected the proposal on the grounds of the legislation requiring a Noise Map to be carried out every 5 years, and as a result LJLA was to proceed with noise modelling and a noise action plan using data from 2021. The appointment of an Independent Noise Consultant to carry out these tasks was noted, and Andrew Dutton confirmed it was hoped some initial noise contouring data would be presented to the Sub-Committee at the next meeting.

It was noted by both officers and members that in light of 2021 data being used for the Noise Map comparison, this would produce a disproportionally positive noise exposure areas in comparison to 2016, due to the reduction in aviation levels due to the pandemic. This page is intentionally left blank

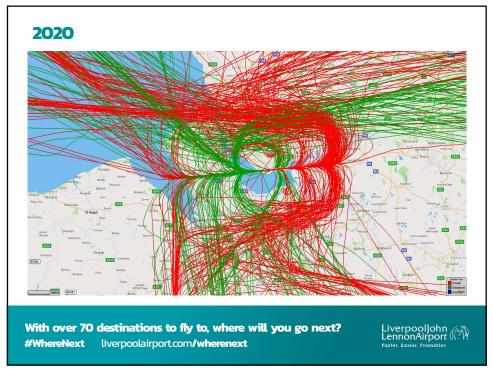
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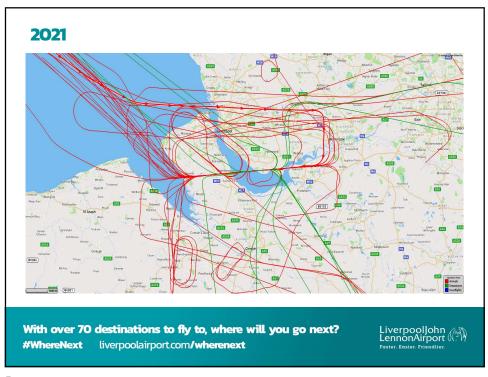




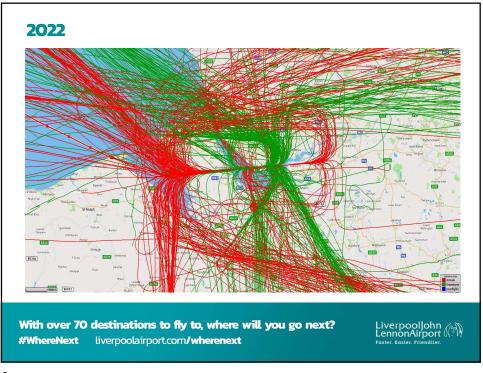
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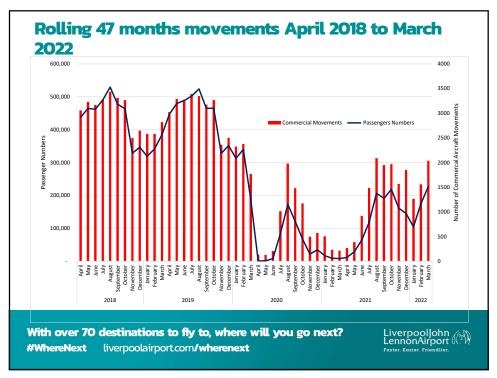


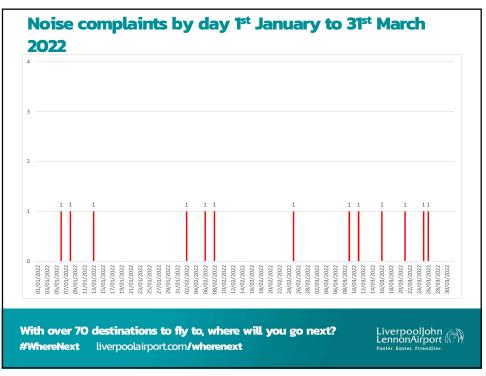


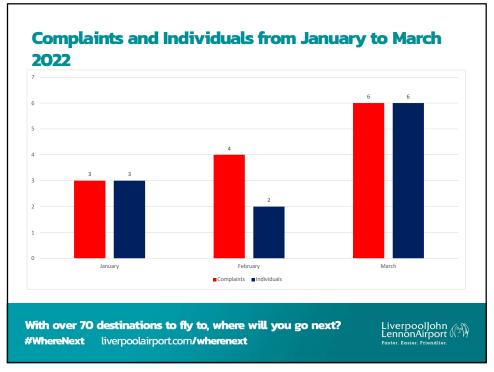


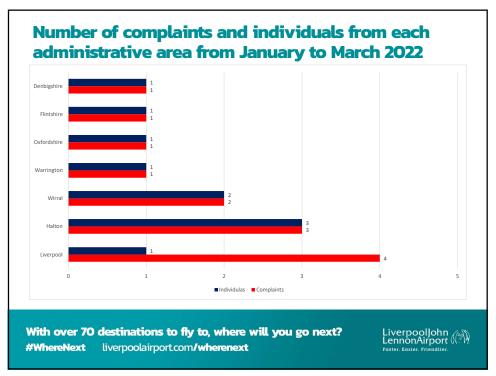


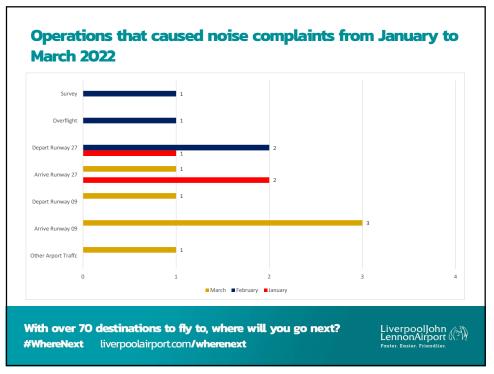


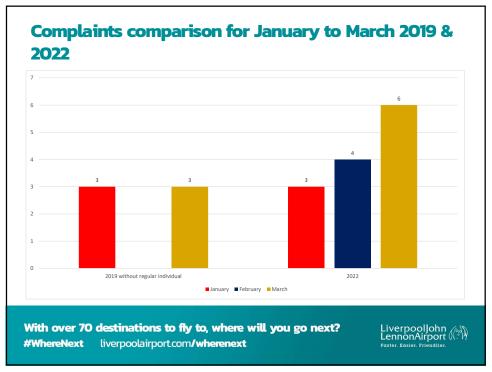


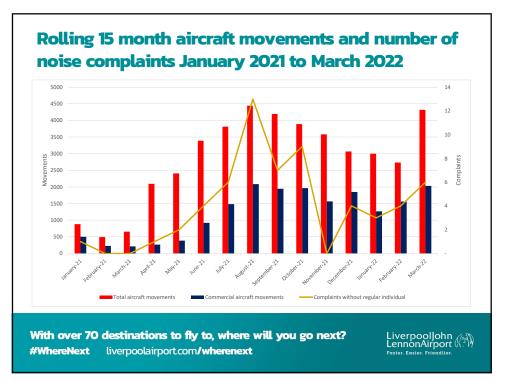


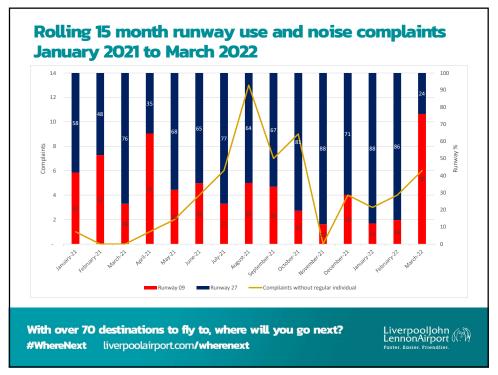


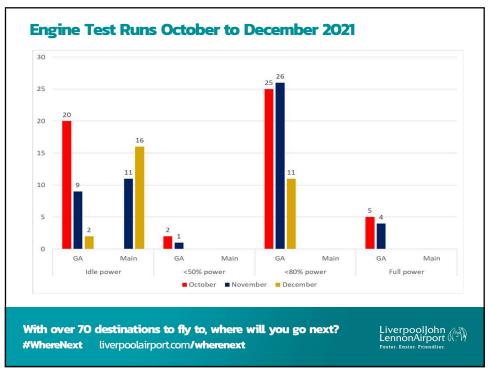












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