

CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE 516th BOARD MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2018, CAA HOUSE

Present:

Dame Deirdre Hutton Chair
Mr Andrew Haines
Dr Ashley Steel
Mr Peter Drissell
Mr David Gray
Mr David King
Mr Richard Moriarty
Ms Kate Staples Secretary & General Counsel
Mr Mark Swan
Mr Chris Tingle
Mr Graham Ward

Apologies:

Mr Michael Medlicott
AVM Mike Wigston

In Attendance:

Mr Tim Johnson
Mr Richard Stephenson
Mr Matthew Bennett For item IV
Mr Canfour-Dumas (Flint Global) From item V
Tim Ingham (Norton Rose Fulbright) For item IV
Mr Andrew Jackson (Flint Global) From item V
Ms Serena Lim For item VIII
Mr John Round For item X
Mr Stu Wain For item X
Mr Andy Wells For items VIII-IX
Ms Angela Lynch Minute taker
Mr Ed Weston

I. APOLOGIES

1. There were apologies from Mr Medlicott and AVM Wigston.

II. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, PREVIOUS MINUTES, AND MATTERS ARISING

2. No new or changed conflicts of interest were declared.
3. The minutes of the last meeting were approved with an additional redaction request noted.
4. Under matters arising, the Chair clarified that action 39 would be completed as part of the discussion under agenda item IX.

III. CHAIR'S UPDATE

5. The Chair informed the Board of recent meetings and events.
6. The Chair voiced her support for the new London office decision, having visited the property and considered it against the other short-listed properties. Mr Tingle noted that 60 staff members had now visited the property and although there had been mixed feedback, the majority of it had been positive.
7. The Chair gave a summary of the recent visit to CAA House from Baroness Randerson (Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Transport).
8. The Chair informed the Board of the recent, successful CAA Flight Safety Awards event and thanked Mr Stephenson for his work in organising it. The Board noted the deserving winner, Rory Clarkson, who was recognised for his efforts to research and develop a more sophisticated ash tolerance calculation for Rolls Royce engines, to influence how volcanic ash events are addressed globally.

IV. SHOREHAM UPDATE (DOC 2018-010) BY KATE STAPLES

9. The Board welcomed Mr Bennett and Mr Ingham to the meeting.
10. Ms Staples, Mr Bennett and Mr Ingham gave an update on the CAA's ongoing work in this area. The Board agreed the approach.

V. CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT (DOC 2018-011) BY ANDREW HAINES

11. The Board welcomed Mr Canfour-Dumas and Mr Jackson from Flint-Global to the meeting who were joining as observers, as part of their ongoing work leading the independent Board Effectiveness Review 2016/17.
12. Mr Haines updated the Board on key meetings and live issues.
13. The Board approved the re-appointment of Bob Jones for a second three-year term as a Trustee Director of CAAPS.
14. Mr Haines asked the Board to note the update in annex 1 of the report on issues relating to CAA aviation security oversight coverage, following discussion at the

last Board meeting. Mr Drissell confirmed that the DfT and the CAA were the only parties involved in the group.

15. The Board noted the briefing on recent Air Services Agreement talks, which were productive and had raised a number of issues for further consideration, including ownership and control rights. The next round of talks is expected to take place in Washington D.C. in March. Mr Johnson highlighted the CAA's supporting role in the discussions and confirmed this was aligned with wider CAA work on related issues such as Brexit contingency planning.
16. The Board discussed potential changes to the CAA's functions that could result from Brexit. It restated the CAA's view that, for functions such as aircraft design certification that were now undertaken by EASA and for which the CAA had very limited retained competence, it would not be feasible to recreate that capability for the purpose of contingency planning by March 2019. Recreating such a capability may be possible in the longer term if there was certainty that it would be required and therefore the CAA would be in a better position to recruit the specialist expertise. The CAA was engaging with the aviation industry to better understand its likely pipeline of certification approvals over the coming years.
17. Mr Haines gave a summary of the recent visit to CAA House by Aviation Minister Baroness Sugg. The visit was positive and the Minister had indicated agreement with CAA thinking on key issues, such as drone regulation needs. It was noted that Baroness Sugg had requested follow up information on some key issues that Dr Sally Evans would be providing to her.
18. The Board noted Mr Haines' recent appearance at the Transport Select Committee session on *NPS for Heathrow Expansion*.
19. The Board noted the positive outcome of a recent court case and recognised the work carried out by the relevant CAA staff members.
20. The Board noted recent media coverage of Jet2 and the CAA's response to its decision not to sign up to the ADR scheme.
21. Mr Swan highlighted to the Board the report's update on dangerous goods oversight, confirming that the team was working with relevant global partners to consider whether any specific action should be taken, in accordance with the CAA's remit and capabilities.
22. The Board formally congratulated the International Group for securing the recent contracts for further work in Malaysia and Thailand.
23. The Chair highlighted the briefing within the report on airspace and noise policy work led by the DfT. The Board expressed some concern about a suggestion that the CAA determine whether or not a proposal met the criteria to be "called in". It