

GLOUCESTERSHIRE AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Précis Minutes Thursday 15th August 2019

Present - 11 members, 1 representative from Gloucestershire Airport (GAL) + Minutes Secretary

After an amendment, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed as a true copy.

Consultative Committee Matters

New representatives joined the meeting representing Badgeworth Parish Council and Local Communities

Airport Memorial Update

Work will start during September to erect the memorial which will be set in a paved area in front of the terminal. Costs are in budget. A plaque will be displayed in the terminal thanking those who made a donation to the project.

Airport Management Matters

The representative of GAL gave the following updates:

1. Noise abatement – GAL is reviewing current procedures and a group of airport users has been formed to look at “track over the ground”. Progress will be reported at the next meeting. The aim of this work will be to reduce the number of noise complaints. Any changes are likely to be implemented in 2020. The representative from Down Hatherley stated that the existing procedures are not working as pilots frequently deviate from the current guidance causing noise disturbances.
2. Radar update - In response to questions regarding radar, the GAL representative gave an update on the operational position.
3. Airport closures – the representative from GAL reported that due to the controller staffing situation it had been necessary to introduce periods of airport closure during normal working hours. It was hoped these would only be temporary whilst staffing numbers returned to normal levels.

Noise Complaints

May 2019	24 Complaints
June 2019	6 Complaints
July 2019	28 Complaints

A meeting will be scheduled between GAL and the representative from Down Hatherley to discuss some specific noise and complaint issues.

The representative from GAL will be reviewing the complaints procedure to ensure it is fit for purpose.

Airspace

Brize Norton aim to publish their revised Airspace change proposal in October/ November time.

AOB

The GAL representative reported that a change was currently being considered to Airport opening hours. The member representing Churchdown opposed any changes. The member for Down Hatherley asked for clarification as to who could agree any changes. Several members referred to planning permission conditions.

The Jet Age Museum

The extension is now complete and they are ready to move engineering into the museum from its current Brockworth location. A car park extension and fence line is in the works.