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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

CAA Consultation: Performance framework for airline accessibility

Closing date: 21/07/2023

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/corporate-communications/performance-framework-for-airline-accessibility/>

DfT Consultation: Pathway to net zero aviation: developing the UK sustainable aviation fuel mandate

Closing date: 22/06/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/pathway-to-net-zero-aviation-developing-the-uk-sustainable-aviation-fuel-mandate>

A quieter Heathrow: Take part in our consultation to give feedback on our new Noise Action Plan

Heathrow Airport Consultation

Closing date: 17/07/2023

<https://www.heathrow.com/company/about-heathrow/consultation/heathrow-noise-action-plan-consultation?CMP=VU--HRW03>

CAA Consultation: Economic regulation of Gatwick Airport Limited: consultation on proposal to extend the current commitments

Closing date: 19/07/2023

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/economic-regulation/gatwick-airport-limited-commitments/>

GATCOM members are reminded to send any comments on this consultation to the Secretariat for inclusion in the GATCOM response.



PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

UK's Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) launches new support to deliver airspace modernisation

International Airport Review – 20/06/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/187494/uks-civil-aviation-authority-caa-launches-new-support-to-deliver-airspace-modernisation/>

Issue 2 2023 International Airport Review (Sustainability issue)

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/185821/issue-2-2023-international-airport-review-2/>

In-Depth Focus...Baggage Handling

International Airport Review – 16/06/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/185834/in-depth-focus-baggage-handling/>

Unlocking Efficiency and Security: This Month's Innovations in Travel Tech

OAG – 16/06/2023

https://www.oag.com/blog/innovations-travel-tech?utm_medium=email&hsmi=262750062&hsenc=p2ANqtz--m_vLlu6Ak16mxvRhVf4BMZXikaesrC48u12TADCh7WNexJNCAa6k88d7rrupzpalDYMUZeO_Zpi0IL4syAOCnepMeWg&utm_content=262750062&utm_source=hs_email

The influence of the Berlin Airlift on modern air traffic control 75 years on

NATS blog – 15/06/2023

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED MEDIA RELEASES

London Gatwick's expansion plans to generate more than 600 local construction jobs – 21/06/21

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/london-gatwicks-expansion-plans-to-generate-more-than-600-local-construction-jobs-a24b-40f32.html>

GATWICK PRESS AND MEDIA

Gatwick promotes jobs boost amid second runway plans

Travel Weekly – 21/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/gatwick-promotes-jobs-boost-amid-second-runway-plans>



General Headlines

Residents near airports may be slightly more at risk from heart attacks – study

Belfast Telegraph – 21/06/2023

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/residents-near-airports-may-be-slightly-more-at-risk-from-heart-attacks-study/a502144916.html>

Raising Visibility Of Those Impacted By Aircraft Noise

AEF – 21/06/2023

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2023/06/21/raising-visibility-of-those-impacted-by-aircraft-noise/>

Alarm Bells Should Be Ringing Over Light Aircraft Noise Pollution

AEF – 21/06/2023

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2023/06/21/alarm-bells-should-be-ringing-over-light-aircraft-noise-pollution/>

Hike in air fares contributes to high ongoing UK inflation rate

Travel Weekly – 21/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/hike-in-air-fares-contributes-to-high-ongoing-uk-inflation-rate>

Could private equity be low-cost air travel's unlikely saviour?

City AM – 15/06/2023

<https://www.cityam.com/could-private-equity-be-low-cost-air-travels-unlikely-saviour/>

Row emerges over airport slot rules in Europe

Travel Weekly – 16/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/row-emerges-over-airport-slot-rules-in-europe>

Passenger news

Bumpy ride? Everything you need to know about turbulence on flights after British Airways crew are injured

Independent – 19/06/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/flight-clear-air-turbulence-british-airways-b2359846.html>

The world's longest nonstop flights, updated

The Points Guy – 14/06/2023

<https://thepointsguy.com/news/the-worlds-longest-nonstop-flights-updated/>



Industry news

We're helping young people to pursue careers in [#STEM](#) through our Virtual Work Experience Programme!

CAA LinkedIn – 15/06/2023

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/civil-aviation-authority_stem-activity-7075426787026948096-EQ99/?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_ios

ABTA detects government 'desire for closer relations' with EU

Travel Weekly – 20/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/tourism/abta-detects-government-desire-for-closer-relations-with-eu>

Environmental news

Aviation sector unconvinced it will meet 2050 decarbonisation target

Engineering & Technology – 15/06/2023

<https://eandt.theiet.org/content/articles/2023/06/aviation-sector-unconvinced-it-will-meet-2050-decarbonisation-target/>

£200m funding announced for greener air travel projects

PES Media – 21/06/2023

<https://www.pesmedia.com/200m-funding-announced-for-green-air-travel-projects>

OTHER UKACCS MEMBER AIRPORTS

Aberdeen

Aberdeen Airport adds electric bus to fleet

Passenger Terminal Today – 20/06/2023

<https://www.passengerterminaltoday.com/news/passenger-experience/aberdeen-airport-adds-electric-bus-to-fleet.html>

Belfast City

Belfast City Airport announces new popular summer route

U105 – 16/06/2023

<https://www.u105.com/news/buzz/belfast-city-airport-announces-new-popular-summer-route/>



Birmingham

Birmingham Airport issues statement on strikes and expects 'no cancellations'

Birmingham Mail – 16/06/2023

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/midlands-news/birmingham-airport-issues-statement-strikes-27136619>

Birmingham airport deploys overflow marquee to help cope during 'building site' operations

Business Traveller – 21/06/2023

<https://www.businesstraveller.com/business-travel/2023/06/21/birmingham-airport-deploys-overflow-marquee-to-help-cope-during-building-site-operations/>

Birmingham Airport announces new Emirates, Qatar and Saudia flights

Birmingham Mail – 19/06/2023

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/midlands-news/birmingham-airport-announces-new-emirates-27154843>

Bristol

Bristol Airport achieves Real Living Wage accreditation

Business Magazine – 21/06/2023

<https://thebusinessmagazine.co.uk/companies/bristol-airport-achieves-real-living-wage-accreditation/>

BMW taken for hi-speed joyride by Bristol Airport parking valet

Bristol Post – 21/06/2023

<https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/bmw-taken-hi-speed-joyride-8539039>

Doncaster Sheffield

Could Doncaster Airport reinvent itself as a low-carbon aviation tech hub?

Airport Technology – 21/06/2023

<https://www.airport-technology.com/features/could-doncaster-airport-reinvent-itself-as-a-low-carbon-aviation-tech-hub/>



East Midlands

East Midlands Airports makes Airport of the Year shortlist at UK Travel Awards

West Bridgford Wire – 16/06/2023

<https://westbridgfordwire.com/east-midlands-airports-makes-airport-of-the-year-shortlist-at-uk-travel-awards/>

Edinburgh

Edinburgh adopts Veovo platform to enhance operational efficiency

Regional Gateway – 20/06/2023

<https://www.regionalgateway.net/edinburgh-adopts-veovo-platform-to-enhance-operational-efficiency/>

Glasgow

Glasgow Airport flights diverted after air traffic staffing issue sparks chaos

Daily Record – 15/06/2023

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/glasgow-airport-flights-diverted-after-30241455>

Inverness

Inverness Airport keeps terminal open for 30 stranded passengers

Inverness Courier – 20/06/2023

<https://www.inverness-courier.co.uk/news/inverness-airport-keeps-terminal-open-for-30-stranded-passen-317766/>

Leeds Bradford

SunExpress: Leeds Bradford Airport announces new airline to start flying from city

Yorkshire Evening Post – 20/06/2023

<https://www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk/news/traffic-and-travel/sunexpress-leeds-bradford-airport-announces-new-airline-to-start-flying-from-city-4189473>



London City

London City Airport checks annual progress with 2022 Sustainability Report

International Airport Review – 20/06/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/187499/london-city-airport-checks-annual-progress-with-2022-sustainability-report/>

London Heathrow

Heathrow study highlights heart risk of living near an airport

The National News – 21/06/2023

<https://www.thenationalnews.com/world/uk-news/2023/06/21/heathrow-study-highlights-heart-risk-of-living-near-an-airport/>

Ferrovial construction worker dies after Heathrow collision

Construction Enquirer – 21/06/2023

<https://www.constructionenquirer.com/2023/06/21/ferrovial-construction-worker-dies-after-heathrow-collision/>

Man, 26, makes off from officers in car stolen from Heathrow airport

Northants Police – 20/06/2023

<https://www.northants.police.uk/news/northants/news/news/2023/june/man-26-makes-off-from-officers-in-car-stolen-from-heathrow-airport/>

Incredible Heathrow Airport robots that sort and store your bag if you check it in too early is filmed in action

My London – 19/06/2023

<https://www.mylondon.news/lifestyle/travel/heathrow-airport-automatic-robots-luggage-27149697>

British Airways Increases Minimum Connection Times at its Heathrow Hub for Transfer Passengers... How Could It Affect You?

Kanoo – 21/06/2023

<https://www.paddleyourownkanoo.com/2023/06/21/british-airways-increases-minimum-connection-times-at-its-heathrow-hub-for-transfer-passengers-how-could-it-affect-you/>

How Heathrow Connected Its Flight Paths to African Scenery

LBB online – 14/06/2023

<https://www.lbbonline.com/news/how-heathrow-connected-its-flight-paths-to-african-scenery>



London Luton

Last chance to give your views and participate in the examination of Luton Rising's application to grow our airport

Luton.gov.uk – 16/06/2023

<https://m.luton.gov.uk/Page/Show/news/Pages/Last-chance-to-give-your-views-and-participate-in-the-examination-of-Luton-Risings-application-to-grow-our-airport.aspx>

May bank holidays boost Luton airport numbers

Travel Weekly – 15/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/may-bank-holidays-boost-luton-airport-numbers>

London Southend

Esken puts Southend Airport up for sale as it warns on finances

Evening Standard – 21/06/2023

<https://www.standard.co.uk/business/esken-puts-southend-airport-up-for-sale-as-it-warns-on-finances-b1089153.html>

Why Southend Airport is called 'London Southend' explained

Echo – 17/06/2023

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/23595714.southend-airport-called-london-southend-explained/>

London Stansted

[The Race to Resurface Stansted Runway](#)

NATS blog – 20/06/2023

Stansted Airport Community Fund awards £50,000 to Grove Cottage in Bishop's Stortford

Bishops Stortford Independent – 19/06/2023

<https://www.bishopstortfordindependent.co.uk/news/grove-cottage-in-bishop-s-stortford-wins-50-000-grant-from-9317758/>

Manchester

Manchester airport breaks ground on new aircraft pier

Travel Weekly – 21/06/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/manchester-airport-breaks-ground-on-new-aircraft-pier>



Newcastle

Newcastle Airport celebrates direct flights to Athens

The Northern Echo – 19/06/2023

<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/23599730.newcastle-airport-celebrates-direct-flights-athens/>

Southampton

Marhill Copse: Panel to hear airport's tree work plans

Bitterne Park – 20/06/2023