

GATCOM WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN



The purpose of GATCOM's newsletter is to help GATCOM member organisations and other interested parties keep up to date with the latest news articles, publications and innovations relating to Gatwick Airport and the wider aviation industry. It is not intended to promote or scrutinise any news articles, press releases or publications referenced.

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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

CAA Statutory Charges Consultation 2024 - 2025

Closing date: 15/11/2023

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/finance/uk-caa-scheme-of-charges-24-25/>

CAA consultation: The CAA, working with the DfT, is proposing to introduce a new regulation to help in the protection of UK aviation from cyber attacks. This regulation will ensure that the UK is actively engaging with the increase threat from cyber, and the UK aviation industry is properly protected

Closing date: 22/12/2023

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/cyber-security/uk-isms-regulation/>

PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

Scrutinising The Future Role Of Alternative Fuels In Delivering Aviation

Decarbonisation

AEF – 16/11/2023

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2023/11/16/scrutinising-the-future-role-of-alternative-fuels-in-delivering-aviation-decarbonisation/>

Anti-fraud champion MP named as aviation minister

Travel Weekly – 16/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/anti-fraud-champion-mp-named-as-aviation-minister>

UK SAF industry goes from forest waste to new heights with £53 million boost

DfT – 17/11/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-saf-industry-goes-from-forest-waste-to-new-heights-with-53-million-boost>



[How Flow Measures Keep the Skies Safe](#)

NATS blog – 22/11/2023

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED MEDIA RELEASES

Local economy, global opportunity – 150 local leaders attend London Gatwick’s second Economic Summit – 22/11/2023

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/local-economy-global-opportunity-150-local-leaders-attend-london-gatwicks-second-economic-summit-745b-40f32.html>

GATWICK PRESS AND MEDIA

West Sussex MP raises serious concerns with London Gatwick Airport’s Northern Runway expansion plans

Sussex World – 21/11/2023

<https://www.sussexexpress.co.uk/news/politics/west-sussex-mp-raises-serious-concerns-with-london-gatwick-airports-northern-runway-expansion-plans-4417336>

Gatwick Airport: Revamped railway station opens to customers

BBC News 21/11/2023

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-sussex-67473995>

The bigger and better Gatwick Airport station has fully opened to passengers

Network Rail -21/11/2023

<https://my.newzapp.co.uk/t/view/1642848510/121821288>

Five things you’ll find at Gatwick airport’s new £250m train station

Independent – 21/11/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/gatwick-airport-station-south-terminal-rail-b2451031.html>

Stripe teams up with Gatwick airport

Altfi – 16/11/2023

<https://www.altfi.com/article/stripe-teams-up-with-gatwick-airport>



WestJet adds eastern Canada route from Gatwick

Travel Weekly – 17/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/westjet-adds-eastern-canada-route-from-gatwick>

General Headlines

British Airways chief: New red tape puts UK aviation at ‘competitive disadvantage’

City AM – 20/11/2023

<https://www.cityam.com/british-airways-chief-new-red-tape-puts-uk-aviation-competitive-disadvantage/>

What a new law in France means for flight disruption during air traffic control strikes

iNews – 20/11/2023

<https://inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/travel/new-law-france-flight-disruption-air-traffic-control-strikes-2766725?ITO=newsnow>

Comment: Airports need a redesign to engage travellers

Travel Weekly – 16/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/in-depth/comment/comment-airports-need-a-redesign-to-engage-travellers>

Are these the world’s worst airports for transport links?

Independent – 22/11/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/worst-airport-transport-links-b2451253.html>

Industry news

CAA sets out hydrogen zero-carbon aviation fuel challenge

Travel Weekly – 21/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/caa-sets-out-hydrogen-zero-carbon-aviation-fuel-challenge>



Environmental news

Sustainable Aviation Fuels: Hope Or Hype?

AEF – 16/11/2023

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2023/11/16/sustainable-aviation-fuels-hope-or-hype/>

Transport secretary rules out price support for SAF before next election

Travel Weekly – 21/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/transport-secretary-rules-out-price-support-for-saf-before-next-election>

Virgin Atlantic CEO urges government to increase SAF focus

Travel Weekly – 17/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/virgin-atlantic-ceo-urges-government-to-increase-saf-focus>

Government agrees £53m to fund development of green aviation fuel

Travel Weekly – 17/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/government-agrees-53m-to-fund-development-of-green-aviation-fuel>

Aviation industry collaborates to tackle emissions from ground operations

International Airport Review – 16/11/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/190542/aviation-industry-collaborates-to-tackles-emissions-from-ground-operations/>

France and Kenya set to launch Cop28 coalition for global taxes, including aviation, to fund climate action

Airport Watch – 21/11/2023

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2023/11/france-and-kenya-set-to-launch-cop28-coalition-for-global-taxes-including-aviation-to-fund-climate-action/>

Denmark is proposing a small tax on all flights, half the revenue to produce SAF and half for pensions

Airport Watch – 18/11/2023

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2023/11/denmark-is-proposing-a-small-tax-on-all-flights-half-the-revenue-to-produce-saf-and-half-for-pensions/>



£80m investment aims to decarbonise air transport at new Sheffield research facility

Bdaily – 20/11/2023

<https://bdaily.co.uk/articles/2023/11/20/80m-investment-aims-to-decarbonise-air-transport-at-new-sheffield-research-facility>

OTHER UKACCS MEMBER AIRPORTS

Belfast International

‘Dublin was much worse’: Belfast International boss on criticism and ‘priority’ destination targets

Belfast telegraph – 21/11/2023

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/business/northern-ireland/dublin-was-much-worse-belfast-international-boss-on-criticism-and-priority-destination-targets/a1180399467.html>

Birmingham

Birmingham Airport sees numbers exceed pre-pandemic levels

ADS Advance – 22/11/2023

<https://www.adsadvance.co.uk/birmingham-airport-sees-numbers-exceed-pre-pandemic-levels.html>

Bristol

Bristol Airport wins Sustainable Airport international award

Weston Mercury – 22/11/2023

<https://www.thewestonmercury.co.uk/news/23940378.bristol-airport-wins-sustainable-airport-international-award/>

Doncaster Sheffield

Doncaster Sheffield Airport: Four bidders enter next stage of negotiations

Doncaster Free Press – 17/11/2023

<https://www.doncasterfreepress.co.uk/business/doncaster-sheffield-airport-four-bidders-enter-next-stage-of-negotiations-4414666>



Edinburgh

Edinburgh flights: Ryanair axes flights from Edinburgh Airport to destinations in Italy, Spain and France

Edinburgh News – 18/11/2023

<https://www.edinburghnews.scotsman.com/lifestyle/travel/edinburgh-flights-ryanair-axes-flights-from-edinburgh-airport-to-destinations-in-italy-spain-and-france-4414746>

Vodafone pumps up 4G and 5G at Edinburgh Airport

Telecoms – 17/11/2023

<https://telecoms.com/524895/vodafone-pumps-up-4g-and-5g-at-edinburgh-airport/>

Farnborough

Farnborough Airport submits plan for operational changes

ADS Advance – 16/11/2023

<https://www.adsadvance.co.uk/farnborough-airport-submits-plan-for-operational-changes.html>

Glasgow

Investigations underway after ‘humiliating’ experience at Glasgow Airport

Shetland News – 16/11/2023

<https://www.shetnews.co.uk/2023/11/16/investigations-underway-after-humiliating-experience-at-glasgow-airport/>

Successful live flight trials of new medical drone network at Glasgow Airport

Ferrovial – 16/11/2023

https://newsroom.ferrovial.com/en/press_releases/successful-flight-trials-new-medical-drone-network-glasgow-airport/

Glasgow Prestwick

Prestwick Airport reports fourth consecutive year of profit

Insider – 20/11/2023

<https://www.insider.co.uk/company-results-forecasts/prestwick-airport-reports-fourth-consecutive-31482501>

Prestwick hopeful of new Ryanair routes

Travel Weekly – 22/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/prestwick-hopeful-of-new-ryanair-routes>



Leeds Bradford

Leeds Bradford Airport night flights decision delayed

BBC – 21/11/2023

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-leeds-67489078>

London Heathrow

Heathrow 'actively reviewing' expansion options under new CEO

Flight Global – 20/11/2023

<https://www.flightglobal.com/airlines/heathrow-actively-reviewing-expansion-options-under-new-ceo/155921.article>

The decade to make a difference: Heathrow's Chief of Staff & Carbon on the future of the UK's hub airport

International Airport Review – 20/11/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/190637/the-decade-to-make-a-difference-heathrows-chief-of-staff-carbon-on-the-future-of-the-uks-hub-airport/>

Air traffic control staff shortages and high winds blamed for Heathrow disruption

Travel Weekly – 20/11/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/air-traffic-control-staff-shortages-and-high-winds-blamed-for-heathrow-disruption>

Extinction Rebellion co-founder 'plotted to ground Heathrow traffic with drones'

The Standard – 21/11/2023

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/crime/roger-hallam-heathrow-government-extinction-rebellion-isleworth-crown-court-b1121608.html>

Police and Royal Air Force collaborated to test response to an aircraft hijack scenario at Heathrow Airport

Airlive – 18/11/2023

<https://airlive.net/news/2023/11/18/airport-police-and-royal-air-force-collaborated-to-test-response-to-an-aircraft-hijack-scenario-at-heathrow/>

Heathrow security staff accused of 'daylight robbery' after woman's £90 Estée Lauder lipsticks are confiscated - so what REALLY happens to your toiletries when the airport takes them?



Daily Mail – 18/11/2023

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/travel/article-12752629/Heathrow-security-staff-accused-daylight-robbery-womans-90-Est-e-Lauder-lipsticks-confiscated-REALLY-happens-toiletries-airport-takes-them.html>

Heathrow Airport extends partnership with Capgemini

Airport Technology – 17/11/2023

<https://www.airport-technology.com/news/heathrow-airport-extends-partnership-with-capgemini/>

London Luton

Quieter modern aircraft on the rise at London Luton Airport

Luton Today – 22/11/2023

<https://www.lutontoday.co.uk/news/transport/quieter-modern-aircraft-on-the-rise-at-london-luton-airport-4418593>

London Southend

Project Servator patrols underway at London Southend Airport

Essex Police – 15/11/2023

<https://www.essex.police.uk/news/essex/news/news/2023/november/servator-southend-airport/>

London Stansted

Stansted Airport boss puts train services at heart of passenger boom

Bishop's Stortford Independent – 17/11/2023

<https://www.bishopstortfordindependent.co.uk/news/stansted-airport-boss-puts-train-services-at-heart-of-passen-9340371/>

Manchester

Manchester airport announces daily Beijing flights from June 2024

Business Traveller – 22/11/2023

<https://www.businesstraveller.com/business-travel/2023/11/22/manchester-airport-announces-daily-beijing-flights-from-june-2024/>

Reviewing Concorde 'Alpha Charlie' at Manchester Airport

Aviation Source News – 20/11/2023

<https://aviationsourcenews.com/analysis/reviewing-concorde-alpha-charlie-at-manchester-airport/>



Teesside

Teesside Airport and Teesside University team up for skills academy

The Northern Echo – 18/11/2023

<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/23930508.teesside-airport-teesside-university-team-skills-academy/>