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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

ICCAN consultation: ICCAN's emerging view on the future of aviation noise management

Closing date: 18/12/2020

<https://iccan.gov.uk/future-aviation-noise-management/>

CAA Consultation: Economic regulation of Gatwick Airport Limited: consultation on new commitments

Closing date: 30/11/2020

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

CAA Consultation: Economic regulation of Heathrow: working paper on the efficiency of HAL's capital expenditure during Q6

Closing date: 17/11/2020

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/economic-regulation/hal-q6-capital-expenditure/>

PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

The Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP Speech to Airport Operators Association: Address to the Airport Operators Association covering Covid pandemic, recovery works, support, regional connectivity, longer term working and Brexit.

DfT – 09/11/2020

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/speech-to-airport-operators-association-november-2020>

The Airport Operator – the official magazine of the Airport Operators Association – Winter 2020 edition

https://www.aoa.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/AOA-The-Airport-Operator-mag-Winter-2020_final-1.pdf

How NSO's solutions provide COVID-19 tracking and counter-drone support

International Airport Review – 12/11/2020

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/143830/nso-solutions-covid-19-tracking-counter-drone-support/>

Discussing the impacts of COVID-19 on the NEXTT vision

International Airport Review – 06/11/2020

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/143549/webinar-review-nexxt-iata-aci/>

PRESS AND MEDIA

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Headlines

Governments must intervene to prevent aviation employment catastrophe

International Airport Review – 11/11/2020

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/144297/governments-must-intervene-to-prevent-aviation-employment-catastrophe/>

Aviation leaders say sector-specific help still needed despite furlough extension

Travel Weekly – 05/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/391929/aviation-leaders-say-sector-specific-help-still-needed-despite-furlough-extension>

Taskforce to report on travel Covid tests 'very soon', says Shapps

Travel Weekly – 09/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/392154/taskforce-to-report-on-travel-covid-tests-very-soon-says-shapps>

Three-day test-and-release regime 'more effective than 2 week quarantine'

TravelMole – 11/11/2020

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2045028&c=setreg®ion=2

Airport Covid tests won't work, says Ryanair's Michael O'Leary

TravelMole – 10/11/2020

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2045019&c=setreg®ion=2

Groups write to Aviation Minister, asking for new limits on night flights – including need for an 8-hour night period

Airport Watch – 10/11/2020

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2020/11/groups-write-to-aviation-minister-asking-for-new-limits-on-night-flights-including-need-for-an-8-hour-night-period/>

Covid-19: how are London's airports weathering the storm?

Airport Technology – 12/11/2020

<https://www.airport-technology.com/features/covid19-london-airports-weathering-storm/>

Labour challenges industry demand to suspend APD

Travel Weekly – 10/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/392248/labour-challenges-industry-demand-to-suspend-apd>

Air cargo recovery continues

CILT – 11/11/2020

<https://ciltuk.org.uk/News/Latest-News/ArtMID/6887/ArticleID/32849/Air-cargo-recovery-continues>

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British Airways and Lufthansa become first airlines to gain a Covid-19 safety rating from Skytrax, with both awarded a 'commendable' four stars

Daily Mail – 06/11/2020

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/travel/travel_news/article-8921965/British-Airways-Lufthansa-airlines-gain-Covid-19-safety-rating-Skytrax.html

Passenger news

British Airways and EasyJet ignoring EU guidance on voucher refunds

Which – 09/11/2020

<https://press.which.co.uk/whichpressreleases/british-airways-and-easyjet-ignoring-eu-guidance-on-voucher-refunds/>

Industry news

AOA Write To Prime Minister In Plea For Urgent Support

AOA – 06/11/2020

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-write-to-prime-minister-in-plea-for-urgent-support/>

Common rules on testing and vaccinations 'key to stimulating global travel'

Travel Weekly – 12/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/392455/common-rules-on-testing-and-vaccinations-key-to-stimulating-global-travel>

ABTA writes to local authorities and devolved nations to ask that travel businesses are included in local grant schemes

ABTA – 11/11/2020

<https://www.abta.com/news/abta-writes-local-authorities-and-devolved-nations-ask-travel-businesses-are-included-local>

ABTA statement in response to ONS figures

ABTA – 09/11/2020

<https://www.abta.com/news/abta-statement-response-ons-figures>

Environmental news

European Investment Bank (EIB) may ban cash for airport expansion or conventionally-fuelled aircraft

Airport Watch – 11/11/2020

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<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2020/11/european-investment-bank-eib-may-ban-cash-for-airport-expansion-or-conventionally%E2%80%90fuelled-aircraft/>

AGS Airports named sector leader by global sustainability organisation GRESB

Travel Daily News – 12/11/2020

<https://www.traveldailynews.com/post/ags-airports-named-sector-leader-by-global-sustainability-organisation-gresb>

Aberdeen

Union claims up to nearly 70 jobs at risk at Aberdeen and Inverness airport amid cuts

Press & Journal – 12/11/2020

<https://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/aberdeen/2642881/union-claims-up-to-69-loganair-jobs-at-risk-at-aberdeen-and-inverness-airport-amid-cuts/>

Belfast City

End of tax-free shopping 'will cost Northern Ireland airport jobs'

Belfast Telegraph – 11/11/2020

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/business/northern-ireland/end-of-tax-free-shopping-will-cost-northern-ireland-airport-jobs-39731716.html>

Birmingham

Birmingham Airport Authority Launches 'Let's Go' Campaign

Aviation Pros – 10/11/2020

<https://www.aviationpros.com/airports/press-release/21162124/birmingham-airport-authority-birmingham-airport-authority-launches-lets-go-campaign>

Bristol

Bristol Airport statement as Jet2 announces new hub at terminal

Bristol Post – 11/11/2020

<https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/bristol-airport-statement-jet2-announces-4690917>

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Edinburgh

Baffling clip shows passengers crowding into seats in empty Edinburgh Airport

Edinburgh Live – 09/11/2020

<https://www.edinburghlive.co.uk/news/edinburgh-news/baffling-clip-shows-passengers-crowding-19247397>

Glasgow

Glasgow Airport wins international safety award

Renfrewshire 24 – 11/11/2020

<https://www.renfrewshire24.co.uk/2020/11/11/glasgow-airport-wins-international-safety-award/>

Glasgow Prestwick

'BAFFLING' MOVE' SNP slated after putting Prestwick Airport back on sale during pandemic

Scottish Sun – 07/11/2020

<https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/6254400/snp-slated-prestwick-airport-sale-pandemic/>

Inverness

Covid in Scotland: BA halts Inverness-Heathrow flights

BBC – 09/11/2020

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-54871936>

Leeds Bradford

Bradford West MP objects to Leeds Bradford Airport expansion

Telegraph & Argus – 10/11/2020

<https://www.thetelegraphandargus.co.uk/news/18858698.bradford-west-mp-objects-leeds-bradford-airport-expansion/>

Liverpool

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Liverpool Airport calls for government help as travel set to fall dramatically amid lockdown

Echo – 07/11/2020

<https://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/news/liverpool-news/liverpool-airport-calls-government-help-19235239>

London City

London City Airport does not expect passenger levels to recover until 2024

New Civil Engineer – 11/11/2020

<https://www.newcivilengineer.com/latest/london-city-airport-does-not-expect-passenger-levels-to-recover-until-2024-11-11-2020/>

London Gatwick

Jobs at Gatwick at risk as future of Norwegian Air 'uncertain'

ITV – 09/11/2020

<https://www.itv.com/news/meridian/2020-11-09/jobs-at-gatwick-at-risk-as-future-of-norwegian-air-uncertain>

British Airways to suspend Gatwick operations during lockdown

The Points Guy – 06/11/2020

<https://thepointsguy.co.uk/news/ba-to-suspend-gatwick-operations/>

Call to ban Gatwick Airport night flights

West Sussex County Times – 11/11/2020

<https://www.wscountytimes.co.uk/business/call-ban-gatwick-airport-night-flights-3032367>

Press release from GACC:

<http://www.gacc.org.uk/resources/GACC%20press%20release%2010%20November%202020%20-%20night%20flights.pdf>

London Heathrow

Heathrow boss slams 'lack of government action' to help struggling aviation industry during pandemic as figures show 'catastrophic' 82% fall in passenger numbers last month

Daily Mail – 11/11/2020

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8937433/Heathrow-boss-slams-lack-government-action-figures-82-fall-passenger-numbers.html>

Heathrow Says Covid Tests Needed for Years Even With Vaccine

Airport Watch – 12/11/2020

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<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2020/11/covid-tests-for-returning-air-passengers-will-be-needed-for-years-even-with-covid-vaccine/>

Heathrow's Q3 results. Is it crying wolf to the CAA?

Gridpoint Consulting – 29/10/2020

<https://www.gridpoint.consulting/blog/heathrows-q3-results-crying-wolf>

Does Britain still need a third runway at Heathrow?

Evening Standard – 07/11/2020

<https://www.standard.co.uk/business/does-britain-still-need-a-third-runway-at-heathrow-b52562.html>

London Luton

Luton airport passengers to plummet 95% in November lockdown

Travel Weekly – 10/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/392280/luton-airport-passengers-to-plummet-95-in-november-lockdown>

London Southend

Southend Airport sets out coronavirus recovery plan

Echo – 09/11/2020

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/18856046.southend-airport-sets-coronavirus-recovery-plan/>

Southend Airport Amazon flights: Could cargo planes move to daytime?

Clacton Gazette – 09/11/2020

https://www.clactonandfrintongazette.co.uk/news/south_essex_news/18856053.southend-airport-amazon-flights-cargo-planes-move-daytime/

easyJet back to Southend Airport: New plan to lure airline

Echo – 06/11/2020

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/18850893.easyjet-back-southend-airport-new-plan-lure-airline/>

Southend Airport displays 735 Poppy's from local children

Leigh Times – 07/11/2020

<https://www.leightimes.co.uk/article.cfm?id=128039&headline=Leigh:%20Southend%20Airport%20displays%20735%20Poppy's%20from%20local%20children§ionIs=news&searchyear=2020>

Manchester

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The second lockdown threatens 65,000 aviation jobs at Manchester Airport, says Andy Burnham

Manchester Evening News – 08/11/2020

<https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/second-lockdown-threatens-65000-aviation-19243534>

Manchester Airport to move all flights to Terminal 1

TravelMole – 08/11/2020

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2044990&c=setreg®ion=2

Footage shows Manchester Airport ‘like a ghost town’ as second lockdown continues

Manchester Evening News – 12/11/2020

<https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/footage-shows-manchester-airport-like-19263960>

Newcastle

Iberia Express to fly from Newcastle airport

Travel Weekly – 11/11/2020

<https://www.travelweekly.co.uk/articles/392422/iberia-express-to-fly-from-newcastle-airport>

Southampton

Southampton Airport extended runway plans to be debated on 17th December

Airport Watch – 09/11/2020

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2020/11/southampton-airport-extended-runway-plans-to-be-debated-on-17th-december/>