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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

HM Treasury: Consultation on aviation tax reform

Closing date: 14/06/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-aviation-tax-reform>

DfT Consultation: Night flights restrictions at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted airports beyond 2024, plus national night flight policy

Closing date: 31/05/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/night-flights-restrictions-at-heathrow-gatwick-and-stansted-airports-beyond-2024-plus-national-night-flight-policy>

PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

Transport Committee meeting on Global Travel Task Force

Parliament TV – 14/04/2021

<https://www.parliamentlive.tv/Event/Index/3c51a330-2eac-4aae-ad67-fdb53a233f9c>

2021: A signal for the aviation industry to enter stand-by

International Airport Review – 13/04/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/156375/2021-signal-aviation-enter-stand-by/>

A dynamic approach to ensuring future air traffic control recovery

International Airport Review – 12/04/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/156319/dynamic-approach-air-traffic-control-recovery/>

PRESS AND MEDIA

Headlines

Global Travel Taskforce publishes framework for restart

Travel Weekly – 09/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/global-travel-taskforce-publishes-framework-for-restart>

Consumers ‘free to book holidays abroad’ says taskforce

Travel Weekly – 09/04/2021

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<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/consumers-free-to-book-holidays-abroad-says-taskforce>

Industry expects 'soft' restart from May 17

Travel Weekly – 14/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/industry-expects-soft-restart-from-may-17>

Taskforce reviews to consider quarantine and vaccine certification

Travel Weekly – 09/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/taskforce-reviews-to-consider-quarantine-and-vaccine-certification>

'No uptick' in holiday sales after taskforce report

Travel Weekly – 12/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/no-uptick-in-holiday-sales-after-taskforce-report>

Travel bosses fear test rules could make summer worse than last year

Travel Weekly – 12/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/travel-bosses-fear-test-rules-could-make-summer-worse-than-last-year>

Firm cuts PCR test costs to £60 for international travellers

Travel Weekly – 13/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/firm-cuts-pcr-test-costs-to-60-for-international-travellers>

Survey finds global traveller support for 'Covid passports'

Travel Weekly – 12/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/survey-finds-global-traveller-support-for-covid-passports>

When will a US-UK travel corridor take flight?

TravelMole – 12/04/2021

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2046739&c=setreg®ion=2

Passenger news

Lack of business travel 'affecting work'

Travel Weekly – 14/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/lack-of-business-travel-affecting-work>

BTA urges business travel exemption from 'amber' quarantine

Travel Weekly – 09/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/bta-urges-business-travel-exemption-from-amber-quarantine>

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Industry news

Industry leaders present wish-list of taskforce demands

Travel Weekly – 08/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/industry-leaders-present-wish-list-of-taskforce-demands>

AOA & ABTA Research: UK Pcr Cost Double The European Rate

AOA – 04/2021

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-abta-research-uk-pcr-cost-double-the-european-rate/>

IATA urges CMA investigation of Covid test prices

TravelMole – 12/04/2021

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2046743&c=setreg®ion=2

Trade calls for clarity on how 'Green Watchlist' will work

Travel Weekly – 09/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/trade-calls-for-clarity-on-how-green-watchlist-will-work>

Airlines' financial position is deteriorating, warns IATA

Travel Weekly – 10/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/airlines-financial-position-is-deteriorating-warns-iata>

Environmental news

France's ban on short flights should be a wake-up call for Britain

The Guardian – 13/04/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2021/apr/13/france-ban-short-domestic-flights-britain-air-travel>

Campaigners call for temporarily moratorium on airport expansion until there is new UK policy on aviation carbon

Airport Watch – 14/04/2021

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2021/04/government-urges-temporarily-moratorium-on-airport-expansion-until-there-is-new-uk-policy-on-aviation-carbon/>

Government urged to halt regional airport expansion after Southampton given green light to extend runway

Independent – 13/04/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/climate-change/news/southampton-airport-expansion-approval-b1830148.html>

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Birmingham

Budget airline AnadoluJet launching new route to Turkish holiday hotspots from Birmingham Airport

Coventry Telegraph – 14/04/2021

<https://www.coventrytelegraph.net/news/coventry-news/budget-airline-anadolujet-launching-new-20374602>

Edinburgh

Edinburgh Airport boss warns of decline of global influence and competitiveness

Insider – 14/04/2021

<https://www.insider.co.uk/news/edinburgh-airport-boss-warns-decline-23910719>

Glasgow

Glasgow Airport lands International Safety Award for second year running

Glasgow Times – 12/04/2021

<https://www.glasgowtimes.co.uk/news/19226825.glasgow-airport-lands-international-safety-award-second-year-running/>

Leeds Bradford

Leeds Bradford Airport passengers get 2021 holiday hope with rapid Covid test centre

Leeds Live – 14/04/2021

<https://www.leeds-live.co.uk/news/leeds-news/leeds-bradford-airport-passengers-2021-20382202>

London City

London City Airport gears up for resumption of domestic flights

ADS Advance – 09/04/2021

<https://www.adsadvance.co.uk/london-city-airport-gears-up-for-resumption-of-domestic-flights.html>

Which Aircraft Can Land At London City Airport?

Simple Flying – 08/04/2021

<https://simpleflying.com/london-city-airport-approved-aircraft/>

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London Gatwick

British Airways extends suspension of short-haul Gatwick flights - cancellation updates

Express – 12/04/2021

<https://www.express.co.uk/travel/articles/1421284/british-airways-gatwick-airport-suspend-short-haul-travel-holidays-cancellations>

London Heathrow

Traffic light system: Heathrow boss says travel abroad ‘only for the wealthy’ after PCR test plans unveiled

iNews – 12/04/2021

<https://inews.co.uk/news/traffic-light-system-travel-abroad-pcr-test-plans-government-heathrow-948891?ITO=newsnow>

Heathrow: Most Arriving Passengers Waiting ‘More Than Two Or Three Hours’

Independent – 14/04/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/heathrow-airport-uk-border-force-b1831167.html>

Heathrow passenger numbers down four-fifths in March

City AM – 12/04/2021

<https://www.cityam.com/heathrow-passenger-numbers-down-four-fifths-in-march/>

Heathrow owners divided about plan to raise £2.8bn by higher charges (due to Covid losses)

Airport Watch – 14/04/2021

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2021/04/heathrow-owners-divided-about-plan-to-raise-2-8bn-by-higher-charges-due-to-covid-losses/>

New Heathrow charges will ‘squeeze passengers until the pips squeak’

Morning Star – 13/04/2021

<https://morningstaronline.co.uk/article/b/new-heathrow-charges-will-squeeze-passengers-until-the-pips-squeak>

London Luton

Aviation’s Post-Crisis Recovery Series: London Luton Airport

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<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/156172/aviation-recovery-london-luton-airport/>

London Southend

Fury as families miss out on Southend Airport compensation

Echo – 13/04/2021

https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/local_news/19227910.fury-families-miss-southend-airport-compensation/

London Stansted

SATA Azores Airlines postpones Stansted launch

Travel Weekly – 13/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/sata-azores-airlines-postpones-stansted-launch>

Greater Anglia deploys cleaning robot at Stansted Airport station

Railway Technology – 09/04/2021

<https://www.railway-technology.com/news/greater-anglia-cleaning-robot-stansted-airport-station/>

Southampton

Council approves Southampton Airport runway extension

The Points Guy – 12/04/2021

<https://thepointsguy.co.uk/news/southampton-runway-extension/>