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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

Airports are focused on passengers amid plans for globally harmonized recovery

ACI Report – 22/03/2021

https://blog.aci.aero/airports-are-focused-on-passengers-amid-plans-for-globally-harmonized-recovery/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&utm_campaign=aci_insights&utm_content=20210331&_cldee=cmViZWNjYWNveEBoY2ViLm9yZy51aw%3d%3d&recipientid=lead-880a033d1be2ea11a813000d3af3a14a-70f1ac53425d4701871b6b38384ed510&esid=5d1a95c2-3a8e-eb11-b1ac-000d3ae921da

Use cases and novel methods

International Airport Review – 07/04/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/155857/value-data-analytics-airports/>

Report from John Stewart suggesting ways in which the forthcoming Performance Based Navigation (PBN) routes can bring benefits to local communities

http://www.ukna.org.uk/uploads/4/1/4/5/41458009/airspace_change.pdf

International travel – will we get a green light for the summer?

NATS blog – 02/04/2021

PRESS AND MEDIA

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Headlines

Government urged to keep foreign travel testing costs down

Travel Weekly – 08/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/government-urged-to-keep-foreign-travel-testing-costs-down>

Travel bosses give hope for holidays in Portugal, US, Israel and Caribbean but demand fair notice to prepare

ITV – 06/04/2021

<https://www.itv.com/news/2021-04-06/heathrow-boss-some-of-europe-already-covid-safe-for-summer-holidays-but-we-need-time-to-prepare>

UK airline bosses call on PM to give international travel green light

ITV – 04/04/2021

<https://www.itv.com/news/2021-04-04/uk-airline-bosses-call-on-pm-to-give-international-travel-green-light>

Trade bosses call for more clarity on criteria for red, amber and green lists

Travel Weekly – 08/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/trade-bosses-call-for-more-clarity-on-criteria-for-red-amber-and-green-lists>

Amadeus study finds high level of traveller confidence in vaccine passports

TravelMole – 07/04/2021

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2046701&c=setreg®ion=2

Virus-killing UV robot deployed to make planes safe from bacteria

Metro – 02/04/2021

<https://metro.co.uk/2021/04/02/virus-killing-uv-robot-deployed-to-make-planes-safe-from-bacteria-14347762/>

Passenger news

Treasury consulting on a Frequent Flyer Levy to tax aviation (Treasury not keen on it)

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Airport Watch – 02/04/2021

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2021/04/treasury-consulting-on-a-frequent-flyer-levy-to-tax-aviation-treasury-not-keen-on-it/>

Industry news

WTTC says travel sector collapse wiped £148 billion from UK economy

Travel Weekly – 07/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/wttc-says-travel-sector-collapse-wiped-148-billion-from-uk-economy>

IATA travel pass set to be available for Apple users in mid-April

Travel Weekly – 01/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/iata-travel-pass-set-to-be-available-for-apple-users-in-mid-april>

IATA calls on Middle Eastern governments to coordinate on industry restart plans

International Airport Review – 06/04/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/155771/iata-middle-eastern-governments-coordinate-restart/>

February saw fresh fall in global air traffic, reports IATA

Travel Weekly – 08/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/february-saw-fresh-fall-in-global-air-traffic-reports-iata>

Environmental news

The aviation industry is being taxed for pollution centuries ago

The Conservative Woman – 06/04/2021

<https://www.conservativewoman.co.uk/the-aviation-industry-is-being-taxed-for-pollution-centuries-ago/>

Climate campaigners call for halt to regional UK airports expansion

Guardian – 08/04/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/apr/08/climate-campaigners-call-for-halt-to-regional-uk-airports-expansion>

UK government criticised by prominent scientists and lawyers, for ignoring Paris climate goals in infrastructure decisions

Airport Watch – 08/04/2021

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2021/04/uk-government-criticised-by-prominent-scientists-and-lawyers-for-ignoring-paris-climate-goals-in-infrastructure-decisions/>

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The hydrogen revolution in the skies

BBC – 07/04/2021

<https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20210401-the-worlds-first-commercial-hydrogen-plane>

Birmingham

EasyJet UK expansion continues, adds 5 new European routes from Birmingham

The Points Guy – 01/04/2021

<https://thepointsguy.co.uk/news/easyjet-5-routes-from-bhx/>

Glasgow

Glasgow Airport bosses call for duty free shops for arrivals to boost sales after pandemic impact

Glasgow Times – 06/04/2021

<https://www.glasgowtimes.co.uk/news/19212727.glasgow-airport-bosses-call-duty-free-shops-arrivals-boost-sales-pandemic-impact/>

Leeds Bradford

Leeds Bradford Airport: government delays decision on controversial expansion

Independent – 07/04/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/leeds-bradford-airport-expansion-delay-b1827707.html>

Achieving net zero by 2030 will be impossible if the Leeds Bradford airport expansion goes ahead

Politics Home – 02/04/2021

<https://www.politicshome.com/thehouse/article/achieving-net-zero-by-2030-will-be-impossible-if-the-leeds-bradford-airport-expansion-goes-ahead>

London City

British Airways to launch 2 new summer holiday routes from London City Airport

The Points Guy – 08/04/2021

<https://thepointsguy.co.uk/news/ba-cityflyer-lcy-gib-jer/>

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London Gatwick

Gatwick to introduce south terminal drop-off fee from Monday

Travel Weekly – 07/04/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/gatwick-to-introduce-south-terminal-drop-off-fee-from-monday>

London Heathrow

Heathrow proposes four-tier risk system to kickstart the restart of UK aviation

International Airport Review – 06/04/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/155779/heathrow-plan-kickstart-restart-uk-aviation/>

Heathrow Boss Slams Border Force Queues And Demands Action

Independent – 07/04/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/heathrow-airport-border-force-queues-b1827298.html>

Heathrow boss: 'No reason to delay' return of air travel after May 17

Evening Standard – 06/04/2021

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/foreign-air-travel-holidays-may-17-heathrow-john-holland-kaye-b928039.html>

Heathrow boss: UK is 'too cautious' on international travel

Guardian – 06/04/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2021/apr/06/heathrow-boss-uk-too-cautious-international-travel-covid>

Heathrow Airport's western rail link put on hold

Ian Visits – 08/04/2021

<https://www.ianvisits.co.uk/blog/2021/04/08/heathrow-airports-western-rail-link-put-on-hold/>

London Southend

Southend Airport boss Glyn Jones calls for clarity on when foreign travel will restart

Echo – 06/04/2021

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/19211870.southend-airport-boss-glyn-jones-calls-clarity-foreign-travel-will-restart/>

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London Stansted

Stansted Airport's boss looks forward to better days after 'year like no other'

Bishop's Stortford Independent – 05/04/2021

<https://www.bishopstortfordindependent.co.uk/news/stansted-boss-predicts-airport-has-a-bright-and-successful-9192875/>

Manchester

How Manchester Airport terminals and flights have changed since Covid - and what it might be like in the future

Manchester Evening News – 08/04/2021

<https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/manchester-airport-travel-traffic-lights-20339187>

'Hugely disappointing': Manchester Airport bosses slam UK's international travel plans

Manchester Evening News – 06/04/2021

<https://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/manchester-airport-boris-traffic-light-20331019>

Manchester Airport confirm re-opening of Runway Visitor Park

Knutsford Guardian – 08/04/2021

<https://www.knutsfordguardian.co.uk/news/19218410.manchester-airport-confirm-re-opening-runway-visitor-park/>

Southampton

Southampton Airport runway extension decision expected

BBC – 08/04/2021

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hampshire-56674487>