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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

DfT consultation: Mandating the use of sustainable aviation fuels in the UK

Closing date: 19/09/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/mandating-the-use-of-sustainable-aviation-fuels-in-the-uk>

DfT Consultation: Jet zero: our strategy for net zero aviation

Closing date: 08/09/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/achieving-net-zero-aviation-by-2050>

CAA Consultation: Engagement on our Strategy and Regulatory Principles

Closing date: 31/12/2021

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/corporate-communications/our-strategy-and-regulatory-principles/>

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

Closing date: 03/09/2021

<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

EUROCONTROL data shows delays caused by passenger COVID forms

International Airport Review – 02/09/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/163396/eurocontrol-data-report-flight-delays-passenger-covid-19-documents/>

Airport capital investment: Addressing challenges beyond the pandemic

International Airport Review – 30/08/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/162433/airport-capital-investment-addressing-challenges-beyond-the-pandemic-2/>

Fixed Penalty Notice data published for the period up to and including Q2 2021

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The UK Civil Aviation Authority has published data on the number of Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) issued to airlines for carrying passengers who had not complied with Covid-19 requirements.

CAA – 01/09/2021

<https://www.caa.co.uk/News/Fixed-Penalty-Notice-data-published-for-the-period-up-to-and-including-Q2-2021/>

A new future for air traffic management

International Airport Review – 27/08/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/162428/a-new-future-for-air-traffic-management/>

Individual Carrier Systems keep airports on track

International Airport Review – 27/08/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/162507/individual-carrier-systems-are-an-essential-component-in-airport-baggage/>

PRESS AND MEDIA

Headlines

UK government urges aviation sector to register for skills retention platform

International Airport Review – 02/09/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/163365/uk-government-urges-aviation-sector-utilise-asrp/>

Pleas to extend furlough scheme for aviation

TravelMole – 01/09/2021

https://www.travelmole.com/news_feature.php?news_id=2048388&c=setreg®ion=2

Air Travel on the Rise Again as Appetite Grows for Holidays in the Sun

NI Travel News – 31/08/2021

<https://nitravelnews.com/news/air-travel-on-the-rise-again-as-appetite-grows-for-holidays-in-the-sun/>

Air travel revival elicits recovery signs for aerospace and airlines

Guardian – 02/09/2021

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2021/sep/02/air-travel-revival-elicits-recovery-signs-for-aerospace-and-airlines-gkn-ryanair>

Consumer confidence ‘boosted by traffic light list stability’

Travel Weekly – 02/09/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/tourism/consumer-confidence-boosted-by-traffic-light-list-stability>

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WTTC joins calls for UK government to ditch traffic light system

Travel Weekly – 27/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/wttc-joins-calls-for-uk-government-to-ditch-traffic-light-system>

More than 200,000 sign petition urging cut in PCR testing costs for overseas travel

Travel Weekly – 02/09/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/almost-200000-sign-petition-urging-cut-in-pcr-testing-costs-for-overseas-travel>

Travel PCR tests here to stay ‘for foreseeable future’

Travel Weekly – 31/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/travel-pcr-tests-here-to-stay-for-foreseeable-future>

NI Department for the Economy Reiterates its Commitment to “Northern Ireland’s Domestic and International Air Connectivity” Following Ryanair’s Withdrawal

NI Travel News – 27/08/2021

<https://nitravelnews.com/news/ni-department-for-the-economy-reiterates-its-commitment-to-northern-irelands-domestic-and-international-air-connectivity-following-ryanairs-withdrawal/>

Air arrivals down 87% on pre-Covid levels

Evening Standard – 26/08/2021

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/air-travel-home-office-government-nightclubs-b952426.html>

COVID-19: London is 'empty' of tourists because of UK own goal on travel rules, Ryanair boss claims

Sky – 31/08/2021

<https://news.sky.com/story/covid-19-london-is-empty-of-tourists-because-of-uk-own-goal-on-travel-rules-ryanair-claims-12395879>

Passenger news

Just 0.4% of fully vaccinated travellers test positive for Covid

Travel Weekly – 26/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/tourism/just-0-4-of-fully-vaccinated-travellers-test-positive-for-covid>

Delta variant slows corporate travel return, GBTA poll finds

Travel Weekly – 31/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/delta-variant-slows-corporate-travel-return-gbta-poll-finds>

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Case study: Deeper Scan – a game-changer in hardware validation, threat and anomaly detection- Scanning electronic items is an essential part of airport security. NWPro Ltd are making this a quicker, easier and less invasive process for passengers

Defence and Security Accelerator – 26/08/2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/case-studies/deeper-scan-a-game-changer-in-hardware-validation-threat-and-anomaly-detection>

Industry news

IATA supports EU digital COVID-19 certificate as a global standard

International Airport Review – 27/08/2021

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/163195/iata-supports-eu-digital-covid-19-vaccine-certificate-global-standard/>

Industry ramping up lobbying efforts to simplify travel restrictions

Travel Weekly – 01/09/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/industry-ramping-up-lobbying-efforts-to-simplify-travel-restrictions>

Response to Travel Weekly story on segregation of funds

The UK Civil Aviation Authority and ATOL has responded to a Travel Weekly story on segregation of funds

CAA – 01/09/2021

<https://www.caa.co.uk/News/Response-to-Travel-Weekly-story-on-segregation-of-funds/>

ABTA warns of dangers of rush to ATOLreform

Travel Weekly – 02/09/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/abta-warns-of-dangers-of-rush-to-atol-reform>

Environmental news

Jet Zero: a one way ticket to climate hell

Ecologist – 31/08/2021

<https://theecologist.org/2021/aug/31/jet-zero-one-way-ticket-climate-hell>

AEF Newsletter: Future Tech And Carbon Neutral Airports Can't Solve Aviation Carbon Problem

AEF – 01/09/2021

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2021/09/01/aef-newsletter-future-tech-and-carbon-neutral-airports-cant-solve-aviation-carbon-problem/>

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'An important step to decarbonising air travel': hybrid plane takes to UK skies

Positive News – 25/08/2021

<https://www.positive.news/lifestyle/travel/hybrid-plane-takes-to-the-skies-in-landmark-uk-flights/>

The world's first hydrogen-powered helicopter might be the answer to sustainable air travel

Luxury Launches – 01/09/2021

<https://luxurylaunches.com/transport/the-worlds-first-hydrogen-powered-helicopter-might-be-the-answer-to-sustainable-air-travel.php>

Belfast International

No social distancing as 'more than 1,000' queue at Belfast International Airport

Belfast Telegraph – 27/08/2021

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/no-social-distancing-as-more-than-1000-queue-at-belfast-international-airport-40793157.html>

Birmingham

Birmingham Airport mortuary stored nearly 400 bodies

Express & Star – 01/09/2021

<https://www.expressandstar.com/news/health/coronavirus-covid19/2021/09/01/birmingham-airport-mortuary-stored-nearly-400-bodies/>

East Midlands

Reason for high profile armed police presence deployed at East Midlands Airport

Leicester Mercury – 01/09/2021

<https://www.leicestermercury.co.uk/news/leicester-news/reason-high-profile-armed-police-5850957>

Edinburgh

Edinburgh Airport's solar sustainability solution

Airport Technology – 31/08/2021

<https://www.airport-technology.com/features/edinburgh-airports-solar-sustainability-solution/>

Edinburgh Airport wins new Canadian route

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The Herald – 01/09/2021

https://www.heraldscotland.com/business_hq/19552095.edinburgh-airport-wins-new-canadian-route/

Glasgow

Glasgow Airport chief calls for more support to be ready for 2022

Barrhead News – 30/08/2021

<https://www.barrheadnews.com/news/19545976.glasgow-airport-chief-calls-support-ready-2022/>

Glasgow Airport announces new Canadian route

The Herald – 31/08/2021

https://www.heraldscotland.com/business_hq/19549038.glasgow-airport-announces-new-canadian-route/

Glasgow Prestwick

'Price hitch' holding up sale of Prestwick Airport

Daily Business – 28/08/2021

<https://dailybusinessgroup.co.uk/2021/08/price-hitch-holding-up-sale-of-prestwick-airport/>

Inverness

Greens reiterate their opposition to remote tower project

Shet News – 30/08/2021

<https://www.shetnews.co.uk/2021/08/30/greens-reiterate-their-opposition-to-remote-tower-project/>

London Gatwick

Gatwick plans to convert emergency runway as campaigners warn of "environmental catastrophe"

ITV – 25/08/2021

<https://www.itv.com/news/meridian/2021-08-25/gatwick-to-launch-consultation-on-conversion-of-emergency-runway>

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British Airways planning new budget airline at Gatwick to take on easyJet and Ryanair

Mirror – 27/08/2021

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/money/british-airways-planning-new-budget-24850312>

‘Last chance saloon’ for BA’s Gatwick budget ambitions, say experts

iNews – 27/08/2021

<https://inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/money/last-chance-saloon-for-bas-gatwick-budget-ambitions-say-experts-1171658?ITO=newsnow>

Ryanair downbeat on prospects for British Airways Gatwick revamp

Yahoo – 31/08/2021

<https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/ryanair-downbeat-prospects-british-airways-105253933.html>

London Heathrow

Heathrow residents demand end to night flights as they’re extended to 2025

Airport Watch – 26/08/2021

<https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/2021/08/heathrow-residents-demand-end-to-night-flights-as-theyre-extended-to-2025/>

Bank Holiday travel chaos as passengers face ‘three hour’ queues at Heathrow Airport

iNews – 30/08/2021

<https://inews.co.uk/news/uk/bank-holiday-travel-chaos-passengers-face-three-hour-queues-heathrow-airport-1174758?ITO=newsnow>

Could You Soon Be Flying From Heathrow Direct To Australia’s Outback?

Independent – 02/09/2021

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/qantas-flights-australia-london-darwin-sydney-b1911851.html>

London Southend

Southend Airport set to welcome new six-storey 132-bed hotel

Echo – 03/09/2021

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/19552480.southend-airport-set-welcome-new-six-storey-132-bed-hotel/>

Manchester

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Manchester Airports Group seeks to appeal traffic light ruling

Travel Weekly – 26/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/manchester-airports-group-applies-for-leave-to-appeal-in-government-legal-challenge>

Further delay for Aer Lingus' Manchester-US services

Travel Weekly -25/08/2021

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/further-delay-for-aer-lingus-manchester-us-services>

Emirates A380 returns to Manchester Airport: What it means for your travel plans

Romsey Advertiser – 01/09/2021

<https://www.romseyadvertiser.co.uk/news/national/uk-today/19551470.emirates-a380-returns-manchester-airport-means-travel-plans/>