



London Southend Airport announces Independent Community Noise Forum

London Southend Airport, 22nd July 2021, London Southend Airport announces its new Independent Community Noise Forum (London Southend Airport Community Noise Forum - LSACNF).

In 2021, the airport will:

- **Appoint a new, independent Chair**
- **Consult with local residents about the new forum**
- **Establish the new forum following consultation**

The LSACNF will be established to create and maintain an impartial pathway for local communities to engage with the airport, and to increase trust, transparency and clarity on noise issues associated with London Southend Airport.

The airport is very aware of the impact that aircraft noise in particular has on local people. By creating the LSACNF, including representatives from the local community, and appointing an independent chair to lead the meetings, it aims to identify actionable solutions and make genuine progress.

The Section 106 agreement outlines a number of planning conditions agreed when the runway was extended, and since its inception, performance has been measured to ensure all conditions are adhered to. This is a crucial document in relation to noise outlining targets such as the night-time operations quota, of which 71% was utilised in the last reporting period. Whilst there has been a reduction in the number of residents submitting noise related complaints, the airport is launching the Community Noise Forum to identify opportunities and solutions as part of its commitment as a responsible neighbour.

The LSACNF is designed to hear and engage with local concerns, seeking resolution. It is not limited to aircraft noise and will provide an open forum to discuss any noise related issues. The independent chair will lead the meetings with a clear agenda to seek improvements, identify positives to remain and discuss any areas of concern. The position is currently being advertised and the airport encourages application.

Glyn Jones, CEO of London Southend Airport, "The airport delivers clear social and economic benefits to our communities, but we are well aware that its operation also causes concern to some of our neighbours. We are keen to address this to the greatest extent possible. Whilst aircraft will make noise, we hope the LSACNF can work with us to identify opportunities and solutions."

To register your interest in joining the Community Noise Forum please email LSA.NoiseManager@southendairport.com with your name, address and reasons for wanting to be a member. The aim is to ensure representation from all SS0 – SS9 postcodes.

Details of the airports Connecting Communities Commitment are available via www.southendairport.com



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ABOUT LONDON SOUTHEND AIRPORT

London Southend Airport is consistently ranked the best London airport by consumer group Which? It was also voted best UK airport (under three million capacity) by the Airport Operator's Association in 2019.

Serving over 2 Million passengers in 2019, London Southend offered services to around 40 domestic and European cities. The terminal has its own railway station, less than 100m from its entrance, with up to six trains an hour to central London, taking just 52 minutes to Liverpool Street. All airport car parks are located minutes from the terminal entrance.

The impact of coronavirus has resulted in reduced operations and schedule changes. Latest flight information is available via airlines directly. London Southend Airport has introduced new safety measures to create a biosphere within the terminal, from hand sanitiser every 20 paces to new security equipment; significant investments have been made to protect employees and passengers.

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