

## **Aberdeen International Airport Consultative Committee – March 4 2022**

### **Present**

<b>A Stewart</b>	<b>Chairman AIACC</b>
<b>D Macfarlane</b>	<b>Vice-chairman AIACC</b>
<b>G Hance</b>	<b>Vice-chairman AIACC</b>
<b>M Beveridge</b>	<b>AIAL Operations Director</b>
<b>L McCann</b>	<b>AIAL Communications Manager/Acting Secretary</b>
<b>W Mcpherson</b>	<b>British Travel Agents/Scottish Passengers Agents Association</b>
<b>G Wildgoose</b>	<b>Offshores Energies UK</b>
<b>J Cox</b>	<b>Aberdeenshire Council</b>
<b>I Elrick</b>	<b>Bucksburn and Newhills Community Council</b>
<b>J Wood</b>	<b>Passenger Representative</b>
<b>M Rhodes</b>	<b>Bristow's and helicopter operators</b>
<b>B Harrison</b>	<b>Dyce &amp; Stoneywood Community Council</b>
<b>A Heseltine</b>	<b>NATS</b>
<b>G Cleaver</b>	<b>SCDI</b>
<b>N MacGregor</b>	<b>Aberdeen City Council</b>
<b>M Bochel</b>	<b>NESTRANS</b>

### **Apologies**

<b>M Roy</b>	<b>Aberdeenshire Council</b>
<b>G Al-Samarai</b>	<b>Aberdeen City Council</b>
<b>G Blackett</b>	<b>Aberdeenshire Council</b>
<b>T Stapelton</b>	<b>Oil and Gas UK ( G Wildgoose in attendance as replacement)</b>
<b>H Gordon</b>	<b>British Travel Agents/Scottish Passengers Agents Association</b>
<b>(Willie McPherson in attendance as replacement)</b>	
<b>L Simmons</b>	<b>Bridge of Don Community Council</b>
<b>R Macdonald</b>	<b>NATS (Alun Heseltine in attendance as replacement)</b>
<b>S Taylor</b>	<b>AGCC</b>
<b>A Barclary-Scurry</b>	<b>AccessABZ representative</b>
<b>C Foy</b>	<b>VisitAberdeenshire</b>
<b>A Mackenzie</b>	<b>Aberdeen City Council</b>

### **Observers**

**Scott Barclay**  
**Graham Berry**

### **Agenda**

- (1) Introductions – Alan Stewart
- (2) Previous meeting minutes– Alan Stewart
- (3) Update from AIA – Mark Beveridge, including discussion on Drop off charges.

(4) Appointment of Secretary – Update –Alan Stewart/ Lee McCann, Appointment of new passenger representative and changes to passenger representatives – Alan Stewart

(5) AOB– Alan Stewart

## MINUTES

### (1) INTRODUCTION

A Stewart welcomed all present and noted apologies from the meeting and went round the screens for introductions.

### (2) PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A Stewart mentioned previous action from December minutes looking into vantage card situation for offshore workers. AS, G Wildgoose and M Beveridge to discuss messaging going forward once airline policies established. G Hance noted this could be sent out to travel industry so all singing from same hymn sheet.

L McCann noted mistake top of December minutes which will be corrected.

### (3) UPDATES FROM AIAL– M Beveridge (Operations Director)

M Beveridge provided an AIAL update including passenger volumes and the trends of 2022 and preparing for summer schedule. It was noted that Oslo, Wick and seasonal Manchester will all be launching in coming months and preparations for staffing levels and peak flows are underway. A retail update was giving for Bocco reopening, first as a bar then its kitchen in coming months and discussions underway with WH Smith about potential additional landside offering. Testing facilities are under review at the airport but still being used by passengers travelling to Amsterdam and United States.

MB continued update on changes to drop off charges providing rationale and new Electric Vehicle (EV) can pre-register for 10 minutes free. J Wood noted how unpopular the drop off charges are at airports and asked if pre-registering was necessary. MB noted it is currently needed for current barrier system but discussions ongoing about updating barrier which could take away pre-registering needs.

A discussion was had on face masks as when changes are made to Scottish Government guidance it will become personal choice at the airport for passengers. Airlines are yet to make a decision for on board aircrafts. G Wildgoose and M Rhodes noted helicopter operators likely to have joined up approach but discussions ongoing.

MB finished his update with announcing AIAL new charity partners and amount of applications to the refreshed ABZ Propeller Fund.

(4) Appointment of Secretary – Update –Alan Stewart/ Lee McCann, Appointment of new passenger representative and changes to passenger representatives – Alan Stewart

A Stewart asked M Beveridge if AIAL was further ahead on appointing secretary for the group. MB noted a number of applications for administrative support to the airport who will support the committee. Hoped to have moved forward by next meeting.

AS noted that both current vice-chairs of the committee G Hance and D Macfarlane were stepping down from their roles with observers S Barclay and G Berry in attendance today to see how committee works. AS also noted M Rhodes from Bristows in attendance

representing helicopter operators and that he would be looking into membership of committee due to members currently not engaging.

(5) AOCB

A Stewart notes that looking at covid guidance there is a potential for a face to face meeting to take place in June with a decision to be made nearer the time.

N Macgregor noted that while the £4 to drop off annoys people that what the airport is doing with the ABZ Propeller Fund is brilliant.

AS brought the meeting to a close.