

Airport report for Chew Magna Parish Council meeting

On 7 May 2024

Planning applications

24/P/0783/AOC	Departure Concourse Bristol International Airport North Side Road Felton North Somerset BS48 3DY	Request to discharge condition number 11 (Light Spill Calculations Plan) on application 23/P/1637/FUL
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The report from our planning expert said that:

“The Light Spill Calculations Plan comprises of a series of highly technical submissions covering "Lux isolines", lighting and electrical services locations, lighting unit specifications, mobile lighting tower specifications, a Cogloop 2 Report (which seems to concentrate on the illuminance of roadways forming part of the application and the pooling of light from each of the columns) and power supply information.

The overwhelming impression is that the lighting has been designed to ensure minimum spillage of light beyond the area of the Cogloop 2 extension car park proposed. There will be a limited number of properties on the south side of the airport which will be within sight of the new lighting columns, but it looks as though the design will ensure there is minimum light spillage beyond the car park extension itself.

The decision was that there was no need for the PCAA to comment on the application as it covers such technical detail.

PCAA AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the PCAA will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 27th June 2024 at Felton Village Hall.

Bristol Airport Newsletter reported that:

- The Airport has seen the busiest ever Easter period with 420,000 passengers travelling through the Airport over the Easter fortnight
- The building of the new public transportation hub and additional multi-storey car parking including a new Drop Off and Pick Up area is progressing well. The public transport interchange hub will accommodate 16 coaches that BA say will enable improved public transport links to the airport from across the region.
- The new Bristol Airport Local Community Fund and Diamond Fund has been launched which make grants for projects and to community groups in the local area that are most affected by the Airport's operations. From the beginning of April, the two schemes will be available for applications - Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund and a newly created Diamond Fund scheme.
- Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund known as the Local Community Fund is available to fund projects in the local area of the Airport and has set criteria relating to noise mitigation, transport improvements and biodiversity projects.
- The Diamond Fund will support smaller sized projects in the local area which does not meet the criteria for the Bristol Airport Environmental Improvement Fund. For info contact the Airport's website.
- **The Waiting Zone on the Southside of the airport is free of charge for up to one hour for dropping off or collecting passengers**, with a regular bus service operating between the terminal and the Car Rental Centre. Please follow pedestrian signage to the bus stop at the Car Rental Centre to access the service.
- Bristol Airport charity for 2024 is the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity (GWAAC) throughout 2024.

AEF report on night-time flight restrictions consultation for Heathrow, Gatwick and Stanstead

- Following a 2020–2021 consultation on night noise restrictions at the three noise designated airports (Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted) the Government decided to roll over its existing night noise regime, from October 2022 to October 2025 to allow the sector to recover from the impacts of Covid.
- The Government is now carrying out a [follow-up consultation](#) on its regime at the noise designated airports for a three-year “bridging period” between October 2025 and October 2028. The bridging period is intended to give additional time for the industry to return to pre-pandemic levels of traffic. The other stated intention is to provide time for the findings of current studies – on aviation night noise effects (DfT) and on aviation noise attitudes survey (CAA) – to be reported and factored into future night noise regime decisions.
- The night-time noise abatement objective for the 2025–2028 regime for the designated airports (following consultation in 2023) has now been finalised. The objective is:
- **“To limit, and where possible reduce, the adverse effects of aviation noise at night on health and quality of life while supporting sustainable growth and recognising the importance to the UK of commercial passenger and freight services.”**
- It’s anticipated that an announcement on the 2025–2028 night flight restrictions will be made in July this year.
- The consultation covers proposals and options for the next night-flight regimes for Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted (taking current planning contexts into account) and asks for comment. You can submit your responses directly to the Department for Transport via an online form, by email or by post. Details [here](#). **The consultation closes at 11:59pm on 22 May 2024.**

