

**LONDON ASHFORD AIRPORT (LYDD)**

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In December 2006, London Ashford Airport (Lydd) ("LAA") submitted a planning application for a runway extension (reference Y06/1648/SH) and a planning application for a new terminal building (reference Y06/1647/SH) supported by an Environmental Statement. Following consultation that took place at the beginning of 2007, LAA submitted in October 2007 Supplementary Information to further support the two planning applications.

The Supplementary Information was consulted upon during Autumn/Winter 2007, with Shepway District Council ("SDC") requesting additional information in March 2008. The point in relation to sustainability is replicated below as follows:

<b>Reference</b>	<b>Information Request</b>
6. CO2 emissions	<i>The council welcomes proposals for a carbon management plan, but further information is required for both applications of CO<sup>2</sup> emissions, relating this to potential mitigation and management.</i>

### 1 RESPONSE TO COMMENT 6

In response to this request, the airport has worked on key outline principles for a carbon management plan and these are set out in this report.

Airports themselves contribute a relatively small proportion of the emissions from the aviation sector as a whole. However, airports can take steps to implement carbon reduction projects relatively quickly, whilst airlines' efficiency improvements through airframe and engine design and air navigation practices take longer to deliver.

Being seen to take a lead and support the work being carried out by the other parts of the industry delivers the message that there is a recognition that carbon reduction measures need to be delivered. In this respect, LAA is fully committed to implementing carbon reduction projects as set out in this report. As an example, the BREEAM bespoke pre-assessment of LAA has shown that LAA has the potential to achieve a VERY GOOD assessment result which is impressive for an airport development. Please refer to Section 9 of the Revised Design and Access Statement submitted with the 2008 Supplementary Information.

There are five key areas of potential management options which LAA can use as a framework to manage its carbon footprint:

- Airport vehicles;
- Surface access journeys;
- Minimising energy use;
- Waste management; and
- Aircraft operations

Key options for techniques are set out below which it is proposed should form key building blocks of a more detailed carbon management plan which would be prepared pursuant to an appropriate planning mechanism upon the grant of planning permission. It is anticipated that this carbon management plan would be monitored and reviewed by both LAA and SDC, thereby ensuring that LAA remains in line, or exceeds, UK airport best practice as it emerges. The carbon management plan would also be closely linked to LAA's travel plan and accordingly the two plans should be monitored and progressed together.

In addition, the carbon management plan There is no standard framework for a scope, method and reporting of carbon emissions for airport operations at present, but as such frameworks are developed in the coming few years, this will assist the airport in

dealing with direct emissions (such as emissions which occur from sources that are owned or controlled by the airport (for example, from combustion in owned or controlled boilers and vehicles)) and approaches which seek to indirect emissions from sources not owned by the airport but which are central to its operation (such as electricity consumption, passenger access journeys and ground based aircraft movements). LAA is determined to be at the forefront of carbon management techniques in relation to airport carbon emissions and it sets out below a series of flow chart options identified as potentially being suitable for managing carbon emissions from airport vehicles, surface access journeys, energy use and aircraft operations. These options are designed to form the building blocks of the detailed carbon management which the airport would be committed to as part of an appropriate planning permission mechanism:

## 1.

### AIRPORT VEHICLES

Engagement



Monitoring and reporting  
Controls and codes of practice  
Airport vehicle charter

Number of vehicles



Review the size of the fleet  
Limits on number of vehicles allowed to operate

Green Driving



Enhanced driver training to include green driving techniques  
Review and introduction of the most appropriate speed limits  
Introduction of switch off policy  
Spot checks carried out between CAP 642 tests  
Enforcement and penalties

Bio-diesel



Introduction of bio-diesel (noting the trade-off with NOx emissions)

Green vehicles



Investment in new vehicle technology - hybrid, electric or even hydrogen powered vehicles.  
Age limits on airside fleet  
All diesel engines to meet the latest Euro standard  
CO<sub>2</sub> emissions considered during procurement

Offset

Consider offset under CDM mechanism

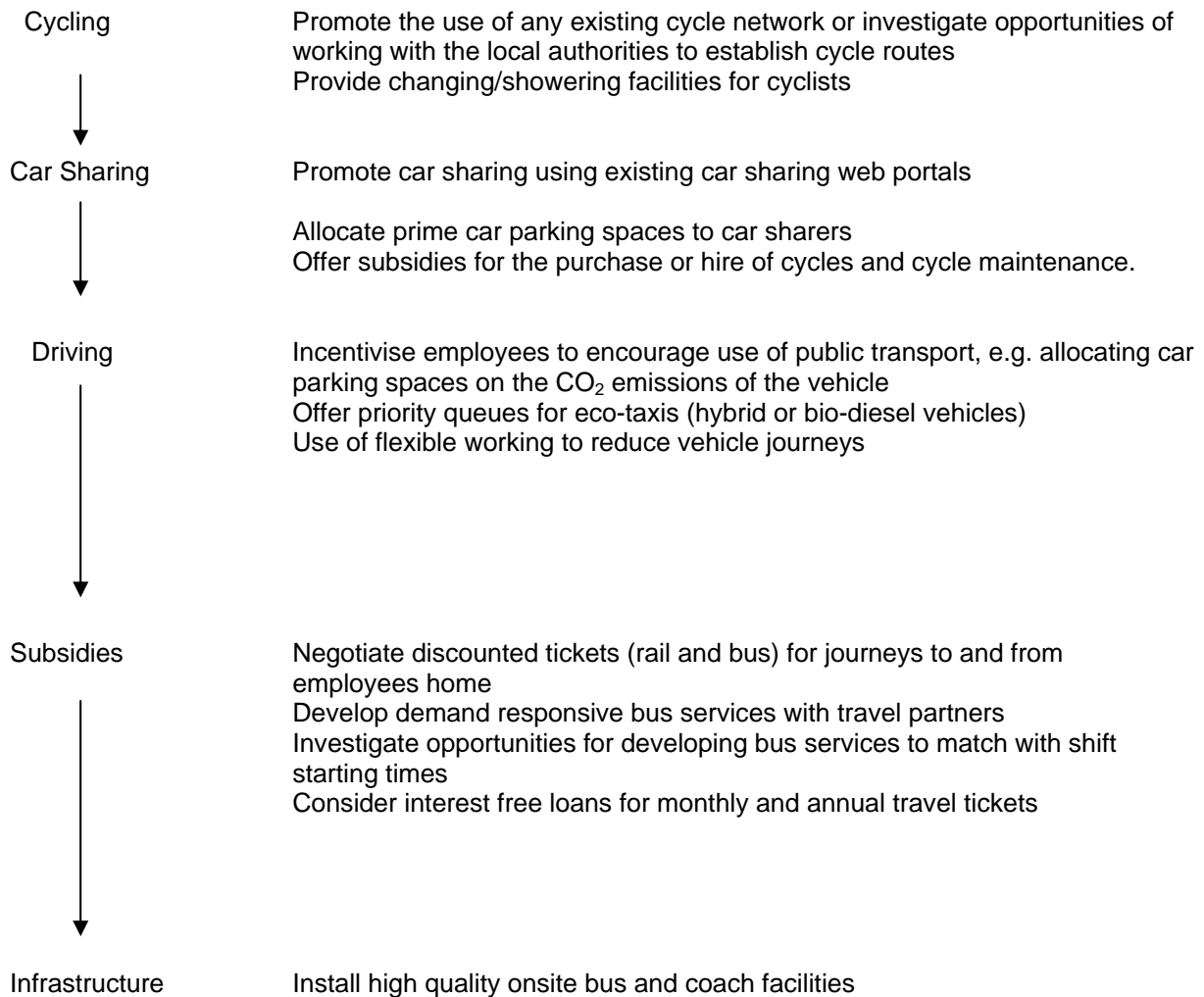
## 2.

### SURFACE ACCESS JOURNEYS

Engagement

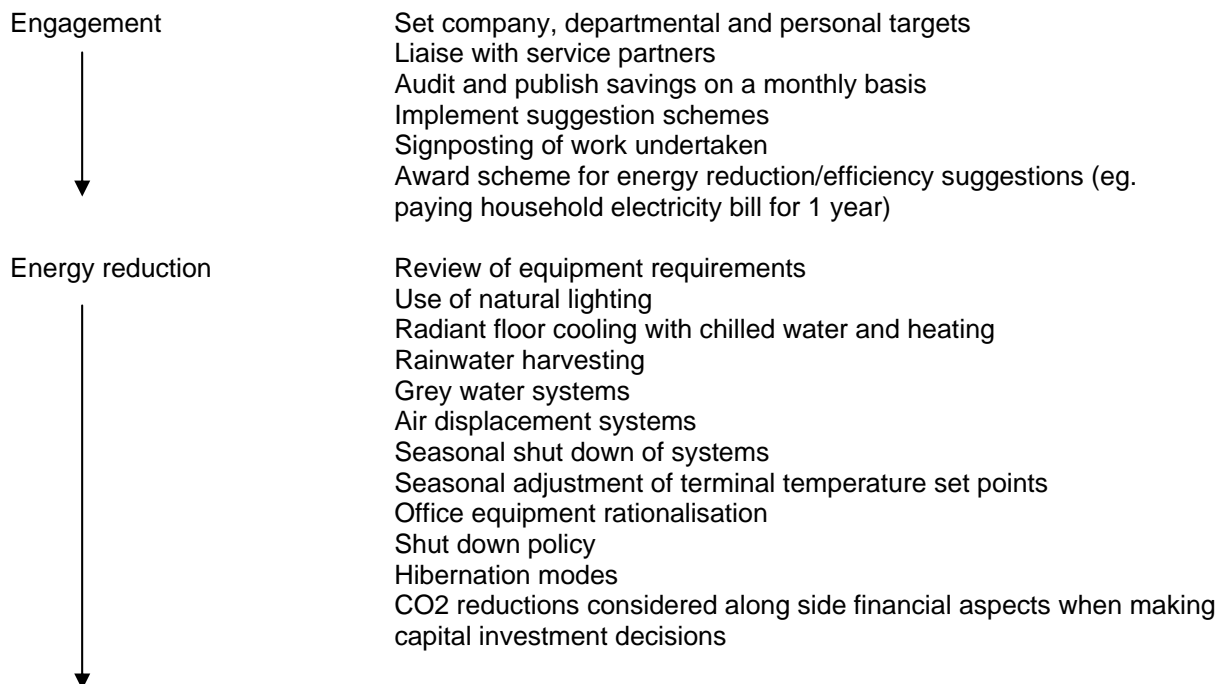


Understand travel patterns of employees and passengers  
Set targets  
Publish public transport timetables, available fares, information on public footpath and cycle routes  
Develop personal journey plans and influence choice  
Ensure that ever employee has a personal target to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from their journey to and from work  
Establish Service Partner Travel Forum  
Develop Ground Transport Plan  
Develop an award scheme  
Link promotion to national schemes



### 3.

### ENERGY USE



Energy Efficiency



Intelligent building management systems  
Lighting controls  
Efficient hand driers  
Optimisation of heating, ventilation and air conditioning  
LED lighting within terminals and on taxiways  
Variable speed motors  
Examine availability of any district heating systems

Renewable sources



Consider sustainable biomass production on non-operational land owned by the airport and installation of biomass boilers  
Consider potential use of solar panels and photovoltaics panels  
Purchase renewable sources

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**4.**

**WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Engagement



Establish targets with internal departments and service partners for specific activities around the airport to reduce emissions from waste generation  
Offer training on equipment and raise awareness of carbon emissions from waste management  
Monitor, report, provide feedback on progress towards meeting targets  
Develop incentives  
Ensure costs are transparent and that the polluter pays principle is used in setting costs  
Award scheme for reduce/reuse/recycle suggestions or initiatives  
Undertake annual Duty of Care audit  
Promote waste management schemes alongside national campaigns

Reduce



Support airline initiatives to reduce weight carried on board aircraft  
Ensure packaging materials are returned to suppliers  
Ensure each internal department has some waste reduction scheme in place

Reuse



Encourage reuse of equipment and materials by sharing either between departments or service partners  
Donate usable equipment to local charities  
Reuse arising from construction activities

Recycle



Install recycling facilities across the site including public areas ensuring that signage is common with national schemes  
Reduce transport costs by ensuring containers are only transported when full  
Install compaction machines for cans and balers for cardboard and plastics to reduce volume and therefore transport costs and emissions  
Monitor to ensure that standards of on site segregation are maintained  
Consider off site sorting to reduce number of transport movements

Recovery	Incineration for energy recovery
↓	Processing to refuse derived fuel Composting Consider partnership opportunities with external providers
Disposal	Aim towards zero landfill target
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Offset	Consider offset under CDM mechanism

**5. AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS**

Engagement	With air service navigation providers, airlines, individual pilots Set targets Ask operators to publish emissions on a regular basis. Consider award scheme for best the best and most improved airline operation
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Reduce time of engine operation	Single engine taxiing (if operationally viable) Mandatory to use fixed electrical ground power coupled with operational restriction on the use of ground power units and auxiliary power units Consider towing aircraft to starter grids Ensure that the taxiway infrastructure is as efficient as possible
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During LTO cycle	Reduce holding times Development of codes of practice for continuous descent approaches Restrictions on the use of reverse thrust

**2 CONCLUSION**

It is considered that the above principles represent a responsible approach to minimising carbon emissions from the proposed development and the airport is committed to developing these as part of a detailed carbon management plan in conjunction with the local authority and industry best practice.

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