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**Shepway District Council:** 

Conditions/S106 Updated Position 30 March 2011 (Operations, Noise, Greatstone School and generally)

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points

#### Richard,

Further to our discussions last thursday and friday I attach the advice note we have received from BV. Please take this as SDC's updated position on Operations and Noise (to the SDC update to the Inquiry of 21 March 2011). This is subject to some caveats and other comments generally.

#### **BV** report caveats

- 2.2. Should read 'It was agreed to look at different triggers' rather than 'It was agreed that...'
- 5.2. For clarity conditions 19 and 20 will therefore delete reference to (excluding Emergency and Government Activities and the Air Show).
- 10.1. It would assist is Hold B and C could be shown on a map. The point we are concerned about is that ground noise checks are not carried out near the school, which we understand they are not, but a plan of the locations would help confirm this.

## **Greatstone School**

Following on from BV report point 11. Sarah Hogben and I will be arranging a site meeting and building inspection at Greatstone School to clarify their position and concerns. This will include determining the extent of existing insulation and what the options might be to help the school in the event of airport expansion.

It is understood from CPRE's evidence (CPRE/04/C), Mr Paul Black (the Chair of the School Governors), that 'there is no mitigation plan in place to protect the school against any detrimental effect that the expansion will bring. There has been no study or survey done within the school grounds to establish a base line against which to compare government statistics' (3.356). 'Neither the Head teacher nor Governing Body has ever been contacted by the airport or SDC to ask or discuss our concerns about the expansion and its effects..' (3.3.6). 3.3.7 mentions double glazing was fitted several years ago, which seems to be commented on to illustrate the point the effects on the school have not been properly considered.

Given the LAA offer we will be inviting one of our Building Control officers to the meeting with the school and also suggest a representative from LAA (preferably a noise specialist from PB). Please confirm the airports position and if you would like to send a representative to the proposed site meeting. We will be contacting the school in the next week or two with a view to a meeting during the Inquiry break in April.

Should the school wish to have additional insulation (or other suitable measures), which both SDC and LAA would be beneficial, either 300,000ppa or the second Noise Management Plan would seem appropriate triggers to consider details for approval/ implementation of a scheme to be funded by LAA.

### **Monitoring Costs**

Para 2.22 point 6 of the SDC Conditions/S106 update should be read as £1500-£1900 for each of the annual noise and air quality monitoring costs for specialist consultant review/recommendations (total say upto £3,800pa). Specialist assistance with various ecological monitoring is currently estimated as a minimum £2000pa, subject to clarification of the conditions and monitoring currently being further discussed between LAA and Natural England. Suitable triggers need to be discussed further, and your comments appreciated.

Point 8 should be read a minimum £1920 for specialist assistance in agreeing each of the Noise Management Plans (total say £4000, split a two different points in time).

I am awaiting other details from Environmental Health on resource and cost implications for their service should the airport expand. Likewise I will need to discuss with Chris Lewis, Monitoring Officer and Enforcement Officers potential resource and cost implications for the Planning Service. We will supply this information to you in the next two weeks. In addition to any suitable amounts triggers need to be discussed.

Indexing will need to be discussed generally.

### Conditions and S106 generally

Once we have details of the outcome of current discussions regarding Air Quality and Ecology we will confirm our position on these aspects. There will be an opportunity to discuss with Kent Highways on 26 and 27 May any fine tuning of the Transport conditions/S106, should any points remain following receipt of updated drafts from Pinsents and Indigo. I understand updated drafts are proposed to be submitted before the restart of the Inquiry on 10 May (please confirm).

In the interim any comments on the above and the SDC updated Conditions/S106 note of 21 March 2010 would be appreciated. Does Indigo intend to update the Conditions and provide reasons as SDC will need to fully check these at some point? Please also see the the SDC response to the Inspectors comments in 2.24.

Whilst Paul Brown is assisting SDC with the Inquiry John Bosworth is still assisting SDC with completion of the S106. Please re-confirm LAA will be paying John Bosworth's fees for completion of the S106 and if you feel any meeting is required with John Bosworth and Chris Lewis at some point.

When a new version of the Conditions and S106 is submitted it would also assist if this is accompanied by a covering note, explaining the changes made since the last draft and detailing how SDC and various Rule 6 party comments have been taken in to account.

I have copied this email to the Programme Officer for information only. Please contact me if you have any queries.

Regards Terry Ellames

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