

GATCOM WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN



The purpose of GATCOM's newsletter is to help GATCOM member organisations and other interested parties keep up to date with the latest news articles, publications and innovations relating to Gatwick Airport and the wider aviation industry. It is not intended to promote or scrutinise any news articles, press releases or publications referenced.

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CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

There are currently no national consultations.

PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

CAP 1616 Review: Consultation Response Document

CAA – 09/2023

<https://publicapps.caa.co.uk/docs/33/CAP1616%20Review%20Consultation%20Response%20Document.pdf>

NATS report into air traffic control incident details root cause and solution implemented

NATS – 06/09/2023

<https://www.nats.aero/news/nats-report-into-air-traffic-control-incident-details-root-cause-and-solution-implemented/>

Government response: Statement following publication of NATS report into last week's air traffic control technical failure

DfT – 06/09/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/statement-following-publication-of-nats-report-into-last-weeks-air-traffic-control-technical-failure>

Government support for a UK SAF industry: A delivery plan for designing and implementing a revenue certainty mechanism for sustainable aviation fuel has been published

DfT – 04/09/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/government-support-for-a-uk-saf-industry>



Revenue certainty mechanism for SAF: Delivery plan for designing and implementing a revenue certainty mechanism for sustainable aviation fuel

DfT Policy paper – 04/09/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/revenue-certainty-mechanism-for-saf-delivery-plan>

The challenges of the new era of baggage handling

International Airport Review – 05/09/2023

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/article/185303/the-challenges-of-the-new-era-of-baggage-handling/>

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED MEDIA RELEASES

London Gatwick relaunches graduate programme as 2023 cohort begin roles

07/09/2023

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/london-gatwick-relaunches-graduate-programme-as-2023-cohort-begin-roles-a809-40f32.html>

Give your view and participate in the examination of London Gatwick's growth plans

05/09/2023

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/give-your-view-and-participate-in-the-examination-of-london-gatwicks-growth-plans-288c-40f32.html>

London Gatwick delivers strong start to 2023 results with strengthened destination network

30/08/2023

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/london-gatwick-delivers-strong-start-to-2023-results-with-strengthened-destination-network-0244-40f32.html>

Gatwick In Touch – Airport news for local residents

04/09/2023

<https://view.sfmmail.gatwickairport.com/?qs=d07bdaa7dd1bff2ffc0d25775d2f467e23afe8252ddbb343915d7566be474938599c08f166f90026f2d8bbd1f59f7b8c8019db9cba73c0ffaf8d637d793c10d3053d17097afda0573f7ef7659e2dd8f9>



GATWICK PRESS AND MEDIA

The Gatwick flight you want to avoid as it's UK's most likely to be cancelled

Get Surrey – 04/09/2023

<https://www.getsurrey.co.uk/whats-on/whats-on-news/gatwick-flight-you-want-avoid-27650965>

Gatwick seeks to woo Chinese tourists

CGTN – 06/09/2023

<https://newseu.cgtn.com/news/2023-09-06/Gatwick-seeks-to-woo-Chinese-tourists-1mRIDzy3h8A/index.html>

General Headlines

Government tipped to reject formal advice to halt airport expansion

Travel Weekly – 04/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/government-tipped-to-reject-formal-advice-to-halt-airport-expansion>

Air traffic control chaos due to error with 'one in 15 million' chance

Independent – 06/09/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/flights-uk-air-traffic-control-gatwick-b2405661.html>

Removing tax-free shopping is hurting aviation, travel and tourism – as well as UK PLC - It must be reinstated

LinkedIn – 01/09/2023

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/removing-tax-free-shopping-hurting-aviation-travel-tourism-bulford/>

Tourist tax must go, urge business leaders in last-minute plea to MPs

City AM – 05/09/2023

<https://www.cityam.com/tourist-tax-must-go-urge-business-leaders-in-last-minute-plea-to-mps/>

Analysis: Monarch 'relaunch' unlikely to make the runway

Travel Weekly – 01/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/analysis-monarch-relaunch-unlikely-to-make-the-runway>



Passenger news

Passengers to benefit from easier and cheaper travel with new app guidance: Travel and navigation app providers encouraged to ensure new technology offering more streamlined journeys is accessible to all users

DfT – 30/08/2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/passengers-to-benefit-from-easier-and-cheaper-travel-with-new-app-guidance>

Airlines targeted as part of government crackdown on ‘drip pricing’

Travel Weekly – 04/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/airlines-targeted-as-part-of-government-crackdown-on-drip-pricing>

Industry news

CAA to hold independent review into air traffic system meltdown

Travel Weekly – 06/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/caa-to-hold-independent-review-into-air-traffic-system-meltdown>

Abta discusses two industry ‘priorities’ with trade minister

Travel Weekly – 06/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/tourism/abta-discusses-two-industry-priorities-with-trade-minister>

Iata warns Dutch caretaker government against Schiphol cuts decision

Travel Weekly – 01/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/iata-warns-dutch-caretaker-government-against-schiphol-cuts-decision>

Environmental news

Government confirms support for green aviation fuels

Travel Weekly – 05/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/government-confirms-support-for-green-aviation-fuels>

Airlines leader welcomes government’s latest SAF commitment

Travel Weekly – 06/09/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/airlines-leader-welcomes-governments-latest-saf-commitment>



France seeks end to cut-price air fares to fight environmental dumping

Yahoo – 31/08/2023

<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/france-seeks-end-cut-price-125646347.html>

Prioritise hydrogen-powered flights to clean up air travel, says easyJet, Airbus and Rolls-Royce

Independent – 05/09/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/air-travel/hydrogen-flights-air-travel-easyjet-airbus-rollsroyce-b2405060.html>

OTHER UKACCS MEMBER AIRPORTS

Aberdeen

Shortbread version of Edinburgh Castle takes residence in Aberdeen Airport

Aberdeen Live – 06/09/2023

<https://www.aberdeenlive.news/news/shortbread-version-edinburgh-castle-takes-8730291>

Belfast International

I needed a holiday after using Belfast International

Belfast Telegraph – 03/09/2023

<https://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/comment/i-needed-a-holiday-after-using-belfast-international/a554998870.html>

Birmingham

Birmingham Airport seeing results of sustainability strategy

Airport World – 05/09/2023

<https://airport-world.com/birmingham-airport-seeing-results-of-sustainability-strategy/>

Solar panels to provide 20% of Birmingham Airport's electricity

Passenger Terminal Today – 06/09/2023

<https://www.passengerterminaltoday.com/news/sustainability/solar-panels-to-provide-20-of-birmingham-airports-electricity.html>

Birmingham Airport defends security wait time as study claims it is 'among the worst'



Birmingham Mail – 31/08/2023

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/midlands-news/birmingham-airport-defends-security-wait-27618144>

Bristol

Bristol Airport's open-air terrace set to become 'executive lounge'

Bristol Post – 06/09/2023

<https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/bristol-airports-open-air-terrace-8730059>

Bristol companies join UK hydrogen alliance to accelerate zero carbon aviation

Bristol World – 06/09/2023

<https://www.bristolworld.com/news/bristol-companies-join-uk-hydrogen-alliance-to-accelerate-zero-carbon-aviation-4282284>

Doncaster Sheffield

City of Doncaster Council to hold special Cabinet meeting on the future of Doncaster Sheffield Airport (DSA)

Doncaster Free Press – 06/09/2023

<https://www.doncasterfreepress.co.uk/business/city-of-doncaster-council-to-hold-special-cabinet-meeting-on-the-future-of-doncaster-sheffield-airport-dsa-4282218>

East Midlands

One in three flights from East Midlands Airport delayed by 15 minutes or more

Leicester Mercury – 04/09/2023

<https://www.leicestermercury.co.uk/news/local-news/one-three-flights-east-midlands-8722533>

Farnborough

Farnborough Airport launches consultation on growth plans

Insider Media – 06/09/2023

<https://www.insidermedia.com/news/south-east/farnborough-airport-launches-consultation-on-growth-plans>



Glasgow

Which? 2023: Scottish and UK airports ranked as Glasgow International Airport named 1st in Scotland

Glasgow World – 30/09/2023

<https://www.glasgowworld.com/news/which-2023-scottish-and-uk-airports-ranked-as-glasgow-international-airport-named-1st-in-scotland-4273677>

Glasgow Airport bosses say insulation scheme is coming

Glasgow Times – 06/09/2023

<https://www.glasgowtimes.co.uk/news/23762616.glasgow-airport-bosses-say-insulation-scheme-coming/>

Inverness

AOA Welcomes Hial To Membership

AOA – September 2023

<https://www.aoa.org.uk/aoa-welcomes-hial-to-membership/>

Liverpool

Play to restart flights from Liverpool

Travel Weekly – 31/08/2023

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/play-to-restart-flights-from-liverpool>

London City

London City Airport launches local community volunteering policy

Passenger Terminal Today – 05/09/2023

<https://www.passengerterminaltoday.com/news/csr/london-city-airport-launches-local-community-volunteering-policy.html>

London's best airport has finally been crowned

Metro – 01/09/2023

<https://metro.co.uk/2023/09/01/this-airport-has-been-crowned-the-best-in-london-19431041/?ito=newsnow-feed>



London Heathrow

Mayor supports southern rail link to Heathrow Airport

Ian Visits – 05/09/2023

<https://www.ianvisits.co.uk/articles/mayor-supports-southern-rail-link-to-heathrow-airport-65511/>

Night Time Runway Alteration to Be Paused During Maintenance

Neighbourhood Net – 05/09/2023

<http://neighbournet.com/server/common/ldrshrw014.htm>

New electric taxi '23 plates' cause disruptions at Heathrow Airport rank

Taxi Point – 04/09/2023

<https://www.taxi-point.co.uk/post/non-starter-new-electric-taxi-23-plates-cause-disruptions-at-heathrow-airport-rank>

Heathrow passengers could face extra charges thanks to the ULEZ

Time Out – 04/09/2023

<https://www.timeout.com/london/news/heathrow-passengers-could-face-extra-charges-thanks-to-the-ulez-090423>

London Luton

Expansion plan needs decision now: Chamber calls on government to back airport growth proposal

Business MK – 01/09/2023

<https://businessmk.co.uk/articles/council-chamber-of-commerce/bedfordshire-chamber-of-commerce/expansion-plan-needs-decision-now-chamber-calls-on-government-to-back-airport-growth-proposal/>

Luton Airport buses arrive in Ukraine to help fight war against Putin

Independent – 05/09/2023

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/ukraine-putin-luton-airport-bus-b2404650.html>

London Southend

Southend Airport say 'momentum on the up' with new routes

Echo – 05/09/2023

<https://www.echo-news.co.uk/news/23769310.southend-airport-say-momentum-up-new-routes/>



Essex's Other Airport: A Brief Guide To London Southend's Public Transport Links

Simple Flying – 01/09/2023

<https://simpleflying.com/london-southend-airport-public-transport-guide/>

London Stansted

I watched society collapse at Stansted Airport

The Spectator – 01/09/2023

<https://www.spectator.co.uk/article/i-watched-society-collapse-at-standstead-airport/>

Ryanair pilot living near Stansted Airport warns against plans to build nearby

Mirror – 05/09/2023

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/ryanair-pilot-living-near-stansted-30866109>

Manchester

Manchester airport to host gala for 20th anniversary of final Concorde flight

Business Traveller – 05/09/2023

<https://www.businesstraveller.com/business-travel/2023/09/05/manchester-airport-to-host-gala-for-20th-anniversary-of-final-concorde-flight/>

Southampton

Southampton Airport hits out as lasers shone into cockpits

Daily Echo – 06/09/2023

<https://www.dailyecho.co.uk/news/23769746.lasers-shone-five-aircrafts-southampton-airport/>

Teeside

Roofing Firms Praise Teesside International Airport's Commitment To Using Local Contractors

Business Up North – 05/09/2023

<https://www.businessupnorth.co.uk/roofing-firms-praise-teesside-international-airports-commitment-to-using-local-contractors/>