

AGM 2020 Minutes

Held on Wednesday 26th February 2020

Held at Copthorne Hotel, Copthorne

AGM will commence at 7pm – close 9.30pm

AGM Formalities

The chair gave a welcome to attendees.

Apologises for absence – Jennie Tomlinson, Maggie Beeson and CAGNE members.

Treasury Report – Michael Brookes

The financial report received no questions and was accepted. A seconder was obtained from the audience and audience voted to accept.

Chair's statement of the past year – Sally Pavey

We have had a very busy year and CAGNE has grown to be an umbrella group due to our membership growing and our environmental campaign launched in June Pledge to Fly Less that seeks to educate the flyer to the ramifications of flying not demonise them.

I would like to personally thank my committee for their support over the year. I also wish to thank all those that have helped and supported CAGNE this year. We are always delighted to receive messages of support from MPs, councillors and residents

CAGNE, Communities Against Gatwick Noise and Emissions, has over the years helped many people to form new noise groups and have put forward ideas of groups all working together.

CAGNE was formed in 2014 to help communities, we seek to share information about Gatwick Airport and flight paths with all of Sussex, Surrey and now Kent due to our roadshow of events last year our membership has grown.

When the Master Plan was launched in October 2018 we attended all the Gatwick events handing out leaflets to counter their spin, 6,000 leaflets distributed.

We have had legal advice since 2018 on Gatwick's master plan for 3 runways. We have been advised not to spend money challenging the growth of the main runway but to operate a campaign to have the Secretary of State for Transport call in the growth. This is underway and you will have a leaflet. We have distributed over 10,000 leaflets by the end of March.

During October and November, we operated a survey of 'What do you think of Gatwick expansion plans? These results are provided to you tonight with nearly 800 people participating. The survey not carried out through noise groups so that it could not be challenged.

We have held roadshows and pop up events in Sussex, Surrey and Kent to raise awareness of Gatwick's plans for growth.

We have done all of this with the help of environmental groups that form the Gatwick Environmental Group co-operative.

Next month, March, we meet with Leigh Day appointed Barrister to discuss the Development Consent Order as Gatwick seeks to rebuild the emergency runway as a second runway and growth of the main runway. As well as Heathrow high court ruling as they were party to this action.

We are looking to host 3 fundraisers this year to raise money to fund the barrister and experts.

We are delighted our push for legal funding is receiving a good response and we are well on our way to meeting costs, but we do need more.

We met with the DfT pre-Christmas to discuss the secret ANEG group and lack of representation on it for communities. CAGNE spoke at the ACF meeting in Birmingham on PR.

CAGNE has responded to all Route 4 consultations;

- the New Direction for Crawley;
- FASIS Stage 1 and 2 which now seeks to fly over new areas as Gatwick only consulted those with a vested interest in moving noise over others and not those to be impacted;
- Carbon consultation;
- launched an environmental campaign at the House of Commons in June;
- responded to the CAA CAP 1875 noise modeling consultation; continue to work with local MPs.
- We have objected to not having a voice on the government body ANEG;
- we are reappointed to the Noise Management Board which now has 2 tiers as Noise Community Forum and Noise Executive Board with two independent chairs which met for the first time today – we held the NMB to account as it did not meet its Terms of Reference to have a geographical spread of representation.

CAGNE has been very active issuing press releases; news statements; meeting local authorities re Gatwick expansion plans and objecting to the drip drip growth of Gatwick through permitted development rights; Council Forum meetings and

newsletters; MP newsletters; national Pledge to Fly Less newsletters; working with AEF and other bodies worldwide re aircraft noise;

I would like to welcome our new member Jennie Tomlinson, who is a real asset to the day to day running of our new website. With Jennie and Andrew's are in charge of our new website is being built to meet our needs as a growing community group. This is obviously having cost implications.

I also welcome Maggie Beeson our Kent representative.

Michael Brookes, founder member of CAGNE is sadly retiring, he tried to retire last year!

We are delighted to announced that founder member Andrew Cadman has agreed to be our new treasurer.

We also welcome Tony Brookes ex Treasurer of GACC to the committee that has been a real asset to us over the last year.

All CAGNE processes and resources are under discussion with advisors at the moment as CAGNE has reached the next stage in its development and we need to align our processes with CAGNE's increased reach, increased membership, increased responsibility to ensure that we have good governance.

We have three websites for example, run by volunteers and we looking to consolidate these and have formal and timely updates of the sites.

We are looking at membership and how this can be formalised, or do we need to do this? We have limited resource and are looking at how better we can use our members expertise for example. This is a period of change and we are looking forward to it and will report to members formally at the AGM in 2021.

- the process for nominating people as potential CAGNE committee members
- the voting arrangements, specifically who is entitled to vote in the election for the committee and how the election will be conducted.

Members attending the AGM are entitled to vote but the future process is under discussion on defining what members will be, and what the voting rules will be with advisors

- whether provision is to be made for proxy and postal votes

None at this moment in time but this is being considered under the new governance

process

- whether CAGNE's accounts will be published

Accounts have always been presented at AGM. This will also be reviewed under the governance process to see if we need to do anything extra.

CAGNE Council Aviation Forum –

We now have 28 councils as members of this Forum. We are due to meet in March.

So CAGNE is stronger than ever, working hard for its members and I now ask for any questions from the floor before I hand over to Jane to elect the chair of CAGNE.

Re-election of committee

Jane Vogt nominated Sally Pavey to continue as chair, two seconders was received, and unanimous audience vote in favour.

Sally Pavey, Chair, read out name of committee members seeking election - Graham Bourne, Aidan Zeall, Jane Vogt, Caroline Taylor, Michael Brookes, Andrew Cadman and Maggie Smith

The election of these members was seconded and unanimous vote to appoint.

Any other business

A member of audience asked about ownership of website – this was made clear that this is funded and owned by a committee member and not passed to third parties.

A member asked a question about the Terms of Reference which was clarified as dispersal within the historic arrival swathe and dispersal inside the historic NPR. This was accepted.

The raffle this evening helped with room hire expenditure. – it raised £86.00

The meeting was asked to take the red leaflets concerning Gatwick expansion plans with them and send to SoS. The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

A photograph of ICCAN and audience was taken.

The Head Commissioner Robert Light and fellow commissioners of the government independent noise body ICCAN took to the front of the audience.

Key points from talk-

- ICCAN needs to have evidence base for noise and thus they are launching a survey as SONA is not fit for current purpose.

- They have a survey of how your local airport engages with communities
- Should ICCAN have enforcement powers
- They need to understand what 'is good' and there is no set format for comparing noise at one airport to another.
- Awareness – once you notice aircraft noise you always notice aircraft noise
- Modernisation of airspace must be clear
 - CAGNE raised that lack of clarity of FASIS operated by GAL and how they have removed NPRs and the CAA ignore this fact.
 - The CAA noise modeling consultation is not fit for purpose even after the promises of CAP1616 – what action can ICCAN take?
- The behavior of airports and industry needs to change
- Night flights? Government has a statutory consultation this Easter
- They seek to provide all airports with a tool kit of how to effectively consult with communities
- What is the monetary value of aircraft noise compared to health and pollution? They seek to long term find the answers.

ICCAN were thanked for attending. Meeting closed 9.30pm