Membership of UKACCs Liaison Group

What this paper is about
Informs delegates of the current membership of UKACCs Liaison Group and the current bandings for membership subscription fees. There are currently 23 airport consultative committees represented on the UKACCs Liaison Group.

Current Membership and CAA's Traffic Figures 2017
1. The Annex to this paper shows the CAA's passenger statistics for 2017 and, for comparison, those for 2016. The new data published by the CAA shows passenger demand at the UK's airports as steadily increasingly, with London Southend showing the strongest growth with a 25% increase in passenger throughput, followed by Belfast International, Leeds Bradford, Inverness and Birmingham experiencing growth of 12-13%. The only airport where passenger throughput declined was at Belfast City (-4%).

2. The CAA's traffic figures for 2017 have been used to update the UKACCs membership scale of subscriptions. The updated figures and subscription bands are set out in the Annex. The subscription bands are:
   - over 40 mppa £1,375 (red)
   - 20-40 mppa £1,125 (orange)
   - 10-20 mppa £875 (yellow)
   - 6-10 mppa £625 (green)
   - 3-6 mppa £425 (purple)
   - under 3 mppa £325 (blue)

3. As a consequence of traffic growth the only airport that has moved up a subscription band is Aberdeen which returns back after one year to the 3-6 mppa band increasing UKACCs income by £100 per annum. The Working Group has considered UKACCs financial position and agreed that it is not considered necessary to either increase or reduce the current membership subscriptions as there are sufficient funds in the UKACCs bank account. However, the Working Group has suggested that the Annual Meeting considers the introduction of a new membership band for airports handling over 60 mppa – in effect this would only capture Heathrow at the current time. This suggestion will be considered as part of UKACCs budgeting arrangements.

4. It should also be noted that should traffic growth at Belfast International Airport continues over the course of this year it is possible that the airport will move up a membership band next year.

5. The present criterion for membership of the Liaison Group is that an airport should have a passenger throughput of 0.6 mppa or more or be 'an airport of regional significance'. There have been no applications for membership from airports of regional significance that need to be considered by UKACCs.

6. Annex 1 includes at the bottom of the table a list of other airports that either qualify for membership of UKACCs or are nearing the annual passenger throughput membership qualifying criterion. As previously reported, Cardiff ACC decided to give up its membership of UKACCs a few years ago at a time when the airport's management changed and its ACC was reorganised. The Working Group felt it important to have ACC representation from Wales and has suggested

that a new approach be made to Cardiff ACC to encourage it to participate in the work of UKACCs.

7.   Exeter Airport also qualifies for membership but the ACC declined the offer of membership a few years ago. The Secretariat will review the position again with the Exeter ACC. As regards the Channel Islands airports, airport consultative committees do not exist at those airports as they have different consultative arrangements in place and operate under a different legislative regime.

8.   It is possible that Norwich ACC may qualify for membership in the next couple of years.

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UKACCs Airports - Terminal and Transit Passengers

UKACCs Airport	UKACCS 2017 Rank	Terminal & Transit Passengers 2016 (000s)	Terminal & Transit Passengers 2017 (000s)	% change
Heathrow	1	75,711	78,012	3%
Gatwick	2	43,120	45,557	6%
Manchester	3	25,637	27,826	9%
Stansted	4	24,320	25,904	7%
Luton	5	14,646	15,990	9%
Edinburgh	6	12,348	13,410	9%
Birmingham	7	11,645	12,990	12%
Glasgow	8	9,327	9,898	6%
Bristol	9	7,611	8,239	8%
Belfast International	10	5,147	5,837	13%
Newcastle	11	4,808	5,300	10%
Liverpool	12	4,779	4,901	3%
East Midlands	13	4,654	4,879	5%
London City	14	4,539	4,530	-
Leeds Bradford	15	3,612	4,077	13%
Aberdeen	16	2,955	3,091	5%
Belfast City	17	2,665	2,560	-4%
Southampton	18	1,947	2,070	6%
Doncaster Sheffield	19	1,256	1,336	6%
Southend	20	874	1,092	25%
Inverness	21	783	875	12%
Prestwick	22	673	696	3%
Bournemouth	23	668	695	4%
UKACCs Total:		**263,725**	**279,765**	

(CAA Total of all reporting airports = **284,708**

Other Airports

Cardiff	1,465
Jersey	1,638
Guernsey	843
Exeter	909
Isle of Man	798
Norwich	528
Newquay	461

(Source: CAA Airport Statistics 2017)