

LONDON GATWICK NOISE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Oversight Board

18 June 2025 | 09:30-12:30 | Meeting Room 7, Hilton Hotel, London Gatwick South Terminal

Agenda

1.	Welcome and Introduction	Members welcomed Rolls Royce to the Oversight Board.
2.	Key actions update	- Members applauded and agreed with the advertising, comms and information plan (including consideration of newsletter) that London Gatwick presented. - The factsheet and website updates on the sign-up process were received positively, with GATCOM asking to use NMB factsheets going forward. - The spread of NMB Community Assembly was shared with members. - The shortlist of 21 projects was shared with members.
3.	Independent Community Representative (ICR) update to the Board.	- Members welcomed the report from the ICR. - Community members have suggested exploration of a method by which a noise <i>enquiry</i> may be submitted where a full noise <i>complaint</i> is not warranted. Such a system has the potential to support communities in understanding outlier operations as well as reflect true complaint figures. This will support in investigating new engagement pathways. - Community Assembly feedback has praised the programme and project management of the NMB. Members appreciate seeing the longer term goals/pipeline of work to know how current projects will have longer term impact. - Issues with the A220 'Whale Noise' were raised, noting that this is currently with the DfT.
4.	Programme Steering Group (PSG) report to the Board	Community Noise Metrics: An engagement session was held in May with community members, and identified a broad range of potential community metrics to consider. Factors Affecting Aircraft Noise: The project so far has involved researching aircraft components and noise sources. The output of this will support in the knowledge building and targeting of key noise-generating areas. It was noted that industry research around this topic can be complex. Late Running Aircraft: Recent work has focused on data analysis, comparing trends and understanding operational differences. A discussion was raised

		around distinction between, and impact of, regulated vs non-regulated flights.
-	Administrative Actions	- The Secretariat is to update the December Oversight Board to 4 December within one week. - From December, Oversight Boards will start at 10:00 (coffee from 09:30). - The Secretariat is to send a placeholder for a briefing on the updated Noise Exposure Contours (to be held Wednesday 13 August) within one week. - The 2026 meeting schedule and invites will be sent over the Summer, excluding the December 2026 Oversight Board meeting.
-	Key Actions	- An NMB comms plan update will be included in the next Oversight Board agenda. - The ICR will follow up on the noise enquiry and engagement discussion, with a focus on CAA guidance. - London Gatwick will consider CAP3041 and complaints as part of a future workstream (no time frame). - London Gatwick, the ICR, EAGs and Rolls Royce will consider a briefing on future technologies and noise impacts. - Consideration of outreach to UK-ADS by Oversight Board Chair (potentially jointly with GATCOM Chair) on NMB and Airspace Modernisation. Programme Steering Group Actions - Community Noise Metrics: The PSG will host further engagement with Community Assembly members when appropriate. - Factors Affecting Aircraft Noise: The PSG is to have further discussion with stakeholders (such as the CAA) on the differences in noise measurements, such as flap noise. - Factors Affecting Aircraft Noise: The PSG is to assess the benefits of further research into the weather effects. - Factors Affecting Aircraft Noise: The PSG is to consider producing factsheets on the key noise sources to support in knowledge building. This should include operational safety trade-offs. - Late Running Aircraft: The PSG will look to integrate a table of delay mitigation measures into the final output. If this does not complement current work, it may form part of further work.

Next Oversight Board: Wednesday 10 September 2025



Key Messages from GATCOM

- Conversations at GATCOM related to the NMB were focused on how GATCOM members can help to promote the Community Assembly and the work of the NMB. To support in this, the factsheets produced on the Reduced Night Noise Trial and the Airport Noise and Information Portal will be shared with GATCOM members, along with the generic factsheet providing an overview of the NMB.
- The upcoming July GATCOM meeting is the Annual Meeting, and will include several appointments, including to NaTMAG. There will be a new member induction session prior to this.
- Land Use Planning remains a key concern for GATCOM and GATCOM has welcomed the DfT call for evidence on this.

Key Messages from NaTMAG

- The Low Noise Arrival Metric (LNAM) results for April were shared at NaTMAG and have been updated for the end of the LNAM shadow period.
- The Departure Noise Limits (DNL) scheme is almost operationally ready and is being finalised. Engagement will be held with airlines to refresh the details of the scheme in and discuss the impacts of DNL; a briefing will be held to refresh on details of the scheme to wider stakeholders. DNL will first operate in a shadow period before becoming fully operational.
- Updated Noise Exposure Contours have been published (linked below), and an NMB briefing session by Steve Mitchell will be held to discuss these.

Key Links for NMB Members

Content	Link
Noise Management Board Site	Noise Management Board NMB London Gatwick Airport
GATCOM Minutes	Agendas and Minutes - GATCOM
NaTMAG Reports	Noise reports London Gatwick Airport
WebTrack	WebTrak
Insightfull	Gatwick Insightfull
Annual Noise Exposure Contours and Noise Reports	https://www.gatwickairport.com/company/reports/noise-reports.html