

**CIRCULATED
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MEETING**



**REPORT of
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

to
**NORTH WESTERN AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
12 JUNE 2017**

MEMBERS' UPDATE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Application Number	FUL/MAL/16/01142
Location	Stow Maries Aerodrome Hackmans Lane Cold Norton Essex
Proposal	<p>Planning Application for operational arrangements for the use of the Airfield at Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome including hours of operation, restrictions on the number of take-offs and landings, and arrangements for Special Public Event days. The arrangements to be as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The airstrip to be used by fixed wing and propeller driven aircraft; helicopters, apart from emergency services machines, may only use the site in the event of emergency or during Public Event days• Take-offs and landings only after 08.00 hours and no later than either 20.00 hours, or sunset whichever is earlier• In the Winter months (November to April inclusive) there shall be no more than 25 landings and 25 take-offs per day• In the Summer months (May to October inclusive) there shall be no more than 25 landings and 25 take-offs on weekdays• In the Summer months (May to October inclusive) there shall be a maximum of 50 landings and take-offs per day at weekends and bank holidays apart from Special Public Event Flying days when maximum landings and take-offs are increased to 75 take-offs and 75 landings per day
Applicant	The Trustees - Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome Trust
Agent	Ms Sarah Threlfall - TMA Chartered Surveyors
Target Decision Date	24.01.2017
Case Officer	Yee Cheung, Tel: 01621 876220
Parish	COLD NORTON
Reason for Referral to the Committee / Council	Major Application Member Call In

1. RECOMMENDATION

(Details of reasons for refusal or conditions where approval is recommended will be listed at the end of the report.)

APPROVED subject to the conditions as detailed in Section 8 of this report and subject to the satisfactory completion of a S106 legal agreement’.

5. MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

5.2 Impact on Residential Amenity

This paragraph currently reads:-

5.2.4 The Environmental Health Team has raised no objection to the proposal subject to conditions to be imposed should the application be approved. It was advised that the introduction sets out the current conditions and seeks to address the discrepancy and confusion caused by the change in terminology between what was originally proposed and supported by the Environmental Health Officer’s recommendations and the eventual wording of the Condition 4 of planning application 09/00250/FUL. ~~This is important as it forms the basis for comparing the likely impact of the increased activity proposed in this current application. The Team accepts the consultant’s explanation and shared understanding that a movement is a take-off *or* a landing and that the current Condition 14 restriction allows 24 movements per day.~~

This paragraph is amended to read:-

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7. CONSULTATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

7.4 Representations received from Interested Parties (summarised)

7.4.2 Letters were received **in support** of the application from the following and the reasons for support are summarised as set out in the table below:

- Mr Mike Cain, 111 Poynings Avenue, Southend-On-Sea SS2 4RX
- Dr. Bruce Alexander, MBBCh, DA vMed, MFGP, DOH. Cheiron Medical, 9 de Havillands, Bekesbourne, Kent, CT4 5BW, UK
- Mr Mike Potts, 2 Furze Road, Maidenhead SL6 7RY

Supporting Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SMGWA is a rare and valuable asset• The aerodrome must have income to support its activities, the educational aspect of which is not limited to merely the younger generation but serves to remind us all of the debt we owe to the airmen who flew from here a century ago.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noted

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The flying activity at any airfield provides not only revenue but added interest for visitors • The number of additional aircraft movements being requested is not excessive and Stow Maries is never going to be a busy training aerodrome, • If that is the fear. It should be borne in mind that the flying at Stow Maries, like anywhere else, would in any case be governed by weather conditions • Preserves one of the few remaining historically important RAF aerodromes • Runs a museum containing vintage aircraft • There is a nature reserve open to visitors • A modest proposal that should be supported • The airfield is a haven for wild life and an excellent tool for proving children with ambition in science and engineering 	

7.4.3 Letters were received **commenting** on the application from the following, summarised as set out in the table below:

- Mr Timothy Griffiths 161 Dovehouse Drive Wellesbourne CV35 9NW
- Trevor & Gill Crosby Flambirds Farm Hackmans Lane Purleigh

Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The noise is so loud it drowned out our conversation as the planes was so low overhead • Happy to accommodate noise measuring equipment to measure noise of future flying display • The type of aircrafts used on site is an important consideration • Developed properly, it will have a great impact on the local education scene 	Noted