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MEETING**



**REPORT of
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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

MEMBERS' UPDATE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Application Number	LBC/MAL/16/01143
Location	Stow Maries Aerodrome Hackmans Lane Cold Norton Essex
Proposal	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.
Applicant	Ms Sarah Threlfall - TMA Chartered Surveyors
Agent	The Trustees - Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome Trust
Target Decision Date	24.01.2017
Case Officer	Yee Cheung, TEL: 01621 876220
Parish	COLD NORTON
Reason for Referral to the Committee / Council	Member Call In

7. CONSULTATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

7.4 Representations received from Interested Parties (*summarised*)

7.4.1 Letters were received **objecting** to the application from the following and the reasons for objection are summarised as set out in the table below:

- Anthony James Chappell, The Limes, Church Lane, Stow Maries, Essex

Objection Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Parish Council was not made aware of the noise report• Why has this application not been determined within its target date• The airfield should be promoting old planes not new planes• The increase in annual flights would amount to approximately 25, 000• Increase in noise - Why were the noise levels taken over a quarter of a mile away?	

Objection Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will this become a flying club? • Very serious noise disturbance 	

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:

- Christopher Jesson, 23, Bankfields, Headcorn, Ashford, Kent

Supporting Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome is a unique piece of aviation history, being the only surviving ACTIVE OPERATIONAL First World War airfield in the world. • To enhance the atmosphere of the airfield, it is only natural to offer Air Displays demonstrating the genuine First World War aircraft that they now have resident on site. • The current limitations to the movement of aircraft make it impossible to achieve a sensible air display, and implore you to increase their daily movements to a more realistic level. • Fully understand the concerns of the people who live near the airfield, and as an Air display pilot, every effort would be made to reduce the noise impact on the local area • The airfield is also home to a great variety of wildlife and the aircraft have had no noticeable effect on the wildlife. • Granting Stow Maries an increase in aircraft movements would enable them to demonstrate the true nature of the site, and what it represents. 	Noted

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

- 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 	Noted

Comment	Officer Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	