



Report of the Director of Environment & Neighbourhoods

North West (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 3rd November 2008

Subject: Leeds Bradford International Airport – Extension of the terminal building

Electoral Wards Affected:

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Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

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Community Cohesion

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Narrowing the Gap

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Council
Function

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Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

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Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
report

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Executive Summary

Leeds Bradford International Airport (LBIA) is the fifteenth largest airport in the UK in terms of passenger throughput and is the largest in the Yorkshire and Humber Region. The LBIA plays a vital role in the economy of the region, facilitating commerce and tourism and providing both direct and indirect employment. As part of plans to improve the way LBIA functions an internal re-organisation of the terminal building and an extension to it have been proposed.

Following a period of public consultation, the airport produced a masterplan in 2005, covering the period 2005-2016, which identified the need for additional terminal facilities. While some improvements have already been made, many areas within the terminal building have become constrained creating congestion and delay, and the standard of the facilities provided have not kept pace with customer requirements and expectations.

The objective of the improvements will be to enhance the levels of service and passenger experience. A range of options have been considered for delivering these objectives. The selected option is a two storey landside extension and some re-organisation of existing terminal facilities, including an enlarged security search facility as required by the DfT. At ground floor level the extension will provide expanded arrival and departure facilities and the first floor will provide a new departure lounge with associated retail use. Overall, the proposals will deliver new facilities well integrated with the existing building sympathetic in both size and scale.

The presentation of these plans to this Committee is part of a wider engagement process that will incorporate the public and key stakeholders including the business community. LBIA have been working closely with Leeds City Council and will continue to do so in bringing forward this scheme. Following this and other similar events, the current expectation is that a planning application will be submitted towards the end of November 08.

1.0 Purpose of this Report

Attached at Appendix 1 is a report to provide Committee Members with information on LBIA's plans to improve the efficiency of the airport through internal changes to the terminal building and a two storey extension.

2.0 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

The proposed development will be assessed as part of the formal planning application process and will be considered in the context of the Development Plan and any other material considerations.

3.0 Legal and Resource Implications

The planning application will be assessed within the existing resources of the City Development Department and its legal implications will be considered where relevant.

4.0 Recommendations

The Outer North West Area Committee members are invited to note and comment upon the comments of the report and the presentation.

Background Papers

Leeds Unitary Development Plan
The future of Air Transport