



# GATCOM WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

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## CURRENT NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

### **CAA Consultation: CAA Statutory Charges Consultation 2025 - 2026**

Closing date: 18/11/2024

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/finance/caa-statutory-charges-consultation-25-26/>

### **CAA Consultation: Proposed amendments to the UK Performance-Based Navigation Regulation**

Closing date: 16/01/2024

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/innovation/proposed-amendments-to-the-uk-performance-based-na/>

### **DfT and CAA Joint Consultation: Creating a UK Airspace Design Service (UKADS)**

Closing date: 17/12/2024

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/creating-a-uk-airspace-design-service-ukads>

### **CAA Consultation: 2024 Consultation on the Future Direction of the UK Aviation Environmental Review**

Closing date: 10/12/2024

<https://consultations.caa.co.uk/policy-development/aviation-environmental-review-consultation/>

## PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY UPDATES

### **ACI World's 2024 survey reveals growing demand for wellbeing, premium services, and sustainable travel**

International Airport Review – 27/11/2024

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/232269/aci-worlds-2024-survey-reveals-growing-demand-for-wellbeing-premium-services-and-sustainable-travel/>



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### **UK to bring aviation experts together for third legal summit**

CAA – 25/11/2024

<https://www.caa.co.uk/newsroom/news/uk-to-bring-aviation-experts-together-for-third-legal-summit/>

### **Global aviation leaders gather in Rome to explore innovation, sustainability, and the future of airports**

International Airport Review – 27/11/2024

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/news/232286/global-aviation-leaders-gather-in-rome-to-explore-innovation-sustainability-and-the-future-of-airports/>

### **The Elephant In The Middle Aisle**

AEF blog – 21/11/2024

<https://www.aef.org.uk/2024/11/21/the-elephant-in-the-middle-aisle/>

## **GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED MEDIA RELEASES**

### **London Gatwick trialling innovative new Smart Stand technology**

25/11/2024

<https://www.mediacentre.gatwickairport.com/news/london-gatwick-trialling-innovative-new-smart-stand-technology-12e7f-40f32.html>

## **GATWICK PRESS AND MEDIA**

### **Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign (GACC) Press Release: Climate and local campaigners around Gatwick Airport call on the Government to “back trains not planes”.**

26/11/2024

[https://www.gacc.org.uk/resources/Press\\_Releases/Press%20Release%20Trains%20not%20Planes%20-%20GACC%2026Nov24.pdf](https://www.gacc.org.uk/resources/Press_Releases/Press%20Release%20Trains%20not%20Planes%20-%20GACC%2026Nov24.pdf)



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**Promoting independent and accessible travel at London Gatwick Airport**  
**Listen to this exclusive podcast with one of the Shaw Trust's UK's 100 Most Influential Disabled People and Accessibility Manager at London Gatwick Airport International Airport Review – 27/11/2024**

<https://www.internationalairportreview.com/podcast/promoting-independent-travel-at-london-gatwick-airport/>

**Inside Gatwick's security protocol: How the bomb scare and evacuation unfolded**  
**Independent – 26/11/2024**

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/gatwick-bomb-scare-evacuation-security-protocol-how-b2653278.html>

**Virgin Atlantic Chief Opens Door To A Return To Gatwick**

**TTG – 25/11/2024**

<https://www.ttgmedia.com/news/virgin-atlantic-chief-opens-door-to-a-return-to-gatwick-airport-49316>

**I was duped out of £230 by a dodgy meet and greet parking service at Gatwick Airport... they never arrived and only answered my call TWO MINUTES before my flight. Daily Mail – 24/11/2024**

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-14104905/gatwick-airport-meet-greet-parking-answered-minutes-flight.html>

### **General Headlines**

**Transport secretary backs airport expansion 'so long as it meets our targets'**

**Travel Weekly – 26/11/2024**

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/transport-secretary-backs-airport-expansion-so-long-as-it-meets-our-targets>

**Revamped taskforce set to deliver a sustainable vision for aviation: The Jet Zero Taskforce will serve as the driving force to make flying a cleaner, greener experience**

**DfT – 25/11/2024**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/revamped-taskforce-set-to-deliver-a-sustainable-vision-for-aviation>

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### **Government widens requirement for ETAs to enter the UK**

Travel Weekly – 27/11/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/government-widens-requirement-for-et-as-to-enter-the-uk>

### **No zero-risk flight paths left over Middle East, aviation group warns**

Independent – 23/11/2024

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/middle-east-flight-paths-risks-dangers-ops-group-b2651843.html>

### **London City, Bristol and Birmingham airports reportedly for sale**

Yahoo – 24/11/2024

[https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/three-uk-airports-reportedly-sale-134226688.html?guccounter=1&guce\\_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly9jLm5ld3Nub3cuY28udWsv&guce\\_referrer\\_sig=AQAAALHKiaAmCTtPdB4xCCAqps8q\\_3XUAFIbyDT7Vu3nB8IHA9YEB1oBv6i-tJ5WhuvxvdEijlUGE9GwzJv5x\\_s45b1H9OhMJVCWNsBYP9k7aokMKn5RMQLWL2UmdXB8wYAH5W5joxAfTC-DW35vxvw7lyXI98pYPev-H1tL6BqMTneQ](https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/three-uk-airports-reportedly-sale-134226688.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly9jLm5ld3Nub3cuY28udWsv&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAALHKiaAmCTtPdB4xCCAqps8q_3XUAFIbyDT7Vu3nB8IHA9YEB1oBv6i-tJ5WhuvxvdEijlUGE9GwzJv5x_s45b1H9OhMJVCWNsBYP9k7aokMKn5RMQLWL2UmdXB8wYAH5W5joxAfTC-DW35vxvw7lyXI98pYPev-H1tL6BqMTneQ)

### **Getting hired: Covid's effects on regional airports' staff recruitment and retention**

Regional Gateway – 25/11/2024

<https://www.regionalgateway.net/covids-effects-on-regional-airports-staff-recruitment-and-retention/>

### **Wizz Air ad banned for misleading 'greenest choice in air travel' claim**

Mirror – 27/11/2024

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/business/wizz-air-ad-banned-misleading-34195268>

## **Passenger news**

### **What the hand luggage charge ban means for budget air fares**

iNews – 27/11/2024

<https://inews.co.uk/news/business/hand-luggage-charge-ban-budget-air-fares-3398658?ITO=newsnow>

### **This airline's newly unveiled first-class seats might be the sleekest in the sky to date**

CN Traveller – 26/11/2024

<https://www.cntraveller.com/article/british-airways-new-first-class>



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## Industry news

### Industry participates as government sets up new Jet Zero Taskforce

Travel Weekly – 25/11/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/industry-participates-as-government-sets-up-new-jet-zero-taskforce>

### Enhancing aviation safety: 40 years as a World Area Forecast Centre

Met Office – 22/11/2024

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/blog/2024/enhancing-aviation-safety-40-years-as-a-world-area-forecast-centre>

## Environmental news

### The ‘Hangar of the Future’ for Sustainable Aviation

Cambridge – 22/11/2024

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/blog/2024/11/22/the-hangar-of-the-future-for-sustainable-aviation/>

### Updated WTTC net zero roadmap is ‘call to action’ for every business

Travel Weekly – 20/11/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/updated-wttc-net-zero-roadmap-is-call-to-action-for-every-business>

## OTHER UKACCS MEMBER AIRPORTS

### Birmingham

#### easyJet announces Birmingham Airport expansion set to support 800 jobs

Express & Star – 27/11/2024

<https://www.expressandstar.com/news/business/2024/11/27/easyjet-announces-birmingham-airport-expansion-set-to-support-800-jobs/>

### Bristol

#### Bristol Airport lays out plans for long-haul flights

BBC – 25/11/2024

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c9dlwxd9z02o>



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### **Bristol Airport consults on plans to expand terminal, extend runway, upgrade A38**

New Civil Engineer – 27/11/2024

<https://www.newcivilengineer.com/latest/bristol-airport-consults-on-plans-to-expand-terminal-extend-runway-upgrade-a38-27-11-2024/>

### **East Midlands**

### **East Midlands Airport control tower lights up to support local hospice appeal**

In Your Area – 27/11/2024

<https://www.inyourarea.co.uk/news/east-midlands-airport-control-tower-lights-up-to-support-local-hospice-appeal>

### **Edinburgh**

### **Emirates confirms date for Airbus A350 deployment from Edinburgh**

Travel Weekly – 26/11/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/emirates-confirms-date-for-airbus-a350-deployment-from-edinburgh>

### **easyJet launch another new flight from Edinburgh as part of expansion**

The Herald – 27/11/2024

<https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/24753893.easyjet-launch-another-new-flight-edinburgh-part-expansion/>

### **Exeter**

### **TUI flight delayed after airport 'runs out of de-icer'**

Yahoo – 26/11/2024

<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/tui-flight-delayed-airport-runs-163634620.html>

### **Leeds Bradford**

### **What's On The Horizon For: Leeds Bradford Airport**

Aviation Week – 26/11/2024

<https://aviationweek.com/air-transport/airports-networks/whats-horizon-leeds-bradford-airport>



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### Liverpool

#### **easyJet to expand its base at Liverpool John Lennon Airport**

Liverpool Chamber – 27/11/2024

<https://www.liverpoolchamber.org.uk/news/2024/11/easyjet-to-expand-its-base-at-liverpool-john-lennon-airport/>

### London Heathrow

#### **Heathrow boss expects third runway decision by end of 2025**

Flight Global – 25/11/2024

<https://www.flightglobal.com/airlines/heathrow-boss-expects-third-runway-decision-by-end-of-2025/160888.article>

#### **Heathrow's new biggest shareholder backs airport expansion**

FT – 25/11/2024

<https://www.ft.com/content/f116dadb-9a19-4eee-9dab-8429a0c42616>

#### **Virgin Atlantic pushes for break-up of Heathrow: Airline chief calls for terminals to be run by rival companies to end monopoly control**

Telegraph – 26/11/2024

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/business/2024/11/26/virgin-atlantic-pushes-break-up-heathrow/>

#### **Planning application reveals a surprise about Heathrow Airport's runways**

Ian Visits – 26/11/2024

<https://www.ianvisits.co.uk/articles/77296-77296/>

#### **London Heathrow Airport Prepares for Busy Christmassy December with Over 39,000 Flights, Highlighting Long-Haul Routes to Santiago, Sydney, and Singapore**

Travel and Tour World – 24/11/2024

<https://www.travelandtourworld.com/news/article/london-heathrow-airport-prepares-for-busy-christmassy-december-with-over-39000-flights-highlighting-long-haul-routes-to-santiago-sydney-and-singapore/>



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### **The new £120m Airbus plane that ‘threatens to change everything’ for Heathrow Airport**

Express – 24/11/2024

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/world/1979964/new-120m-airbus-plane-threatens-heathrow-airport>

### **Over 6,000 Miles: Which Airlines Will Operate The Longest Flights From London Heathrow In December?**

Simple Flying – 23/11/2024

<https://simpleflying.com/6000-miles-airlines-longest-flights-london/>

### **Fashion & Food: 5 Things To Know About Louis Vuitton's Boojee Cafe At London Heathrow Airport**

Simple Flying – 24/11/2024

<https://simpleflying.com/louis-vuitton-cafe-london-heathrow-list/>

## **London Luton**

### **London Luton Airport hosts Accessibility Forum**

ARGS – 25/11/2024

<https://airlinergs.com/london-luton-airport-hosts-accessibility-forum/>

### **Jet2’s Luton move ‘will boost choice and could reduce fares’**

Travel Weekly – 22/11/2024

<https://travelweekly.co.uk/news/air/jet2s-luton-move-will-boost-choice-and-could-reduce-fares>

### **Luton Airport Parkway station celebrates silver anniversary with special event**

Luton Today – 26/11/2024

<https://www.lutontoday.co.uk/travel/luton-airport-parkway-station-celebrates-silver-anniversary-with-special-event-4884372>

## **London Stansted**

### **Stansted Airport Community Fund offers boost to good causes**

Saffron Walden Reporter – 27/11/2024

<https://www.saffronwaldenreporter.co.uk/news/24752692.stansted-airport-community-fund-offers-boost-good-causes/>





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### **London Stansted Airport holds annual Transport Forum event**

East Anglian Daily Times – 21/11/2024

<https://www.eadt.co.uk/news/24739089.london-stansted-airport-holds-annual-transport-forum-event/>

### **Manchester**

### **Truth about Manchester Airport brawl: four months after THAT shocking CCTV footage, critics are furious at 'two-tier' justice**

Daily Mail – 23/11/2024

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/crime/article-14115469/Truth-Manchester-airport-brawl-123-days-CCTV-footage-shocked-world-PAUL-BRACCHI-reveals-life-free-suspects-police-frustrated.html>

### **Newcastle**

### **Eurowings to launch direct flights from Newcastle to Berlin**

Hexham Courant – 23/11/2024

<https://www.hexham-courant.co.uk/news/24743266.eurowings-launch-direct-flights-newcastle-berlin/>