

## GALBA UPDATE

AMP, the Australian based investment company that currently own LBA, have now submitted their planning application for a new terminal and extended night-time flying hours. The case is now live and is open for comments and objections. This application is crucial to LBA's expansion plans and if successful would lead to more than double the number of flights arriving and departing from the airport.

The application consists of over 200 documents and objections have to be received by June 12<sup>th</sup>. However currently there is an attempt to persuade the council to lengthen this time frame, as it seems unreasonably short. Look out on the GALBA website (see below) for more information on this.

For those of us opposed to the expansion of Leeds Bradford Airport the following actions are really important.

1. Lobby your local councillors:

Please note in this respect that Councillor Neil Walshaw and Councillor Al Garthwaite are both members of the plans panel that will be making the decision on this application. This means that they cannot respond to any emails received. They do however welcome emails in order to gain a full understanding of the objections being made.

2. Make an objection to the planning application before the closing date:

**Ref: 20/02559/FU**

**CLICK ON THIS LINK: <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/planning/planning-permission/view-and-comment-on-planning-applications>**

**Click on the green box: 'search planning applications using public access'.**

**Then enter the LBA application reference number in the box and click on search.**

The planning application submitted by LBA is a large and technical document. Please don't be put off by this.

It is not necessary to understand all of the document or engage with it on a point by point basis. Objections can be made on many different levels and it will be more powerful if objections contain personalized responses to all the issues raised.

## www.galba.uk

The GALBA website contains lots of useful information, facts and figures which could be helpful when trying to construct a convincing case against the expansion of LBA. However, it is important to remember that we should not just copy and paste. Councillors have informed us that uniformly identical objections of this nature do not carry much weight when they are making decisions. Objections need to reflect the genuine authenticity of many people's worries and fears.

### 3. Write to the local press. Below is a list of contacts

#### Priorities:

- YEP: [yep.newsdesk@ypn.co.uk](mailto:yep.newsdesk@ypn.co.uk) @LeedsNews
- YEP editor: [laura.collins@jpimedia.co.uk](mailto:laura.collins@jpimedia.co.uk)
- Yorkshire Post: [yp.newsdesk@ypn.co.uk](mailto:yp.newsdesk@ypn.co.uk) @yorkshirepost
- Yorkshire Post editor: [yp.editor@ypn.co.uk](mailto:yp.editor@ypn.co.uk)
- Leeds Live: [leeds.live@reachplc.com](mailto:leeds.live@reachplc.com) @LeedsLiveNews

#### TV and radio:

- BBC Radio Leeds: [Leeds@bbc.co.uk](mailto:Leeds@bbc.co.uk) @BBCLeeds
- BBC Look North: [look.north@bbc.co.uk](mailto:look.north@bbc.co.uk) @BBCLookNorth
- ITV Calendar: [calendar@itv.com](mailto:calendar@itv.com) @itvcalendar

#### Local papers:

- West Leeds Dispatch: [news@westleedsdispatch.com](mailto:news@westleedsdispatch.com) @WLDDispatch
- Wharfedale Observer: <https://www.wharfedaleobserver.co.uk/contactus/>  
@Wharfeobserver
- North Leeds Life: [carole@northleedslife.co.uk](mailto:carole@northleedslife.co.uk) @NorthLeedslife
- Morley Today: [mditorial@morleytoday.co.uk](mailto:mditorial@morleytoday.co.uk)

### 4. Crowdfunder!

GALBA have set up a crowdfunder to raise funds for a barrister to work on the legal issues involved in this campaign and also to commission a report on the economic aspects.

So, if at all affordable, any contributions would be welcome. This is accessible via the GALBA website or the Facebook page.

