

Environment, Planning & Airspace - Technical Working Group

Terms of Reference

Purpose:

Working Group established by SASIG to review issues surrounding Environment, Planning and Airspace

Role/Focus of the group:

- To develop a position on whether Govt. policy has adequately covered issues concerning Environment, Planning and Airspace in its policy statements.
- To see where SASIG can influence Government in this area and help to develop proposals that will have the weight of the 10-12 million people who live in member authorities.
- Look at some kind of position document to Govt from SASIG on Environment, Planning and Airspace and assist Govt in the formulation of policy advice in this area.
- Review any current consultations regarding these issues and develop a SASIG position (e.g. CAA consultation)
- Look at examples of what schemes/projects/decisions involving Environment, Planning and Airspace issues have worked well in different authority areas.
- Look at impact and opportunities, application and projects at a local level and how they can assist SASIG to feed into Govt policy.
- Look at any aviation-related problems caused by decision making involving Environment, Planning and Airspace issues and the effects they have had in each area.
- Pull together what has been learned about this key area of aviation policy as it passes through Govt and Parliamentary systems before feeding back to SASIG members.
- Develop a SASIG position on these issues which can be input into full SASIG meetings and thereby inform SASIG policy documents for eventual submission to Government/relevant bodies.
- Provide a forum for member feedback from focus groups etc which cover these issues (e.g. DfT)
- Understand the need to encourage Govt rather than criticise.

Meetings:

- Organised and Chaired by SASIG Secretariat
- 3 times per year to discuss subject matter and adopt a shared learning approach. Also to review relevance and value of work.
- Guest speakers invited as agreed.
- Minutes distributed by SASIG Secretariat and actions to be monitored, followed up and reviewed at next meeting.