

## Scottish Environmental Noise Steering Group (SENSG)

### Notes of Twelfth Meeting – 14 December 2009 13:00 Room 3B 22 Victoria Quay Edinburgh

#### Present

David Wallace (DW) - Scottish Government and SENSG Chair  
Duncan McNab (DM) - Scottish Government  
Nigel Kerr (NK) - Glasgow City Council  
Steve Williamson (SW) - City of Edinburgh Council  
Drew Hill (DH) -Transport Scotland  
Nick Evans (NE) – Scottish Government Planning  
Maryanne Robinson (MR)-Scottish Government Planning  
David Palmer (DP)-AECOM

#### Apologies

Victoria Colling (VC)-BAA  
Linda Story LS-Scottish Government  
Alan Martin-Transport Scotland  
Bernadette McKell (BM)-AECOM

#### 1. **Matters Arising** :

1.1. Ownership process to be discussed at next SENSG after Edinburgh and Glasgow groups have given matter further thought. Agreed at this stage LAs and TS are responsible for determining and consulting on NMAs and QAs with SG Ministers providing final approval

1.2. Rail CNMA- c/f

1.3 BAA Rep- VC to continue along with AP- cleared

1.4 SAK- new methodology received from DP-cleared

1.5 SAK- Aecom sent new data to TS-cleared

1.6 END2- Aecom submitted estimated costs to DW-c/f

1.7 Material consideration of noise to be based on revised PAN56, based on AQMA regime

Mitigation measures-agreed Aecom would provide any subsequent modelling and SG could provide limited funding for some mitigation measures within aggloms and TS to fund mitigation measures on road and rail and BAA for airports.

1.8. PAN56- DM asked SPPCCC members for examples of good practice. MR to redraft revised PAN from planning perspective and pass to SENSG for QA with aim to publish by April- c/f

#### 2 **Action Points**

2.1. END2- DW to respond to Aecom's costing paper on both map all or only new areas. To await new guidance from EC due May 2010 on new processes and/or methodologies. Agreed to commence tender process for new contract in September 2010, so can commence in April 2011.

2.2. Guidance on Mitigation measures. DW has provided comments, as need to include CBA. Will send to BM, then draft 2 to all for QA

2.3. SAK-DP remodelled with result of one new rail CNMA at Causewayhead. Agreed to add to overall list. AM at TS to consider mitigation measures for this.

2.4 Ownership- To be revisited at next SENSG.

2.5. PAN56- MR redrafting revised draft provided by BM. Group agreed need to expand on differences between "relative" and "absolute" methodologies with regards to NECs and

explain the "exceptional" circumstances, taking into account background noise if looking for maximum of 55dB. MR to redraft and submit to SENSG for internal consultation.

2.6. PAN56- all to provide examples to DM to pass to MR of good/best practice of planning applications which can be included in an Annex

2.7. BAA- VC published Edinburgh airports Noise Insulation scheme offering grants for secondary glazing for those impacted over 68dB. Wanted details of Aberdeen airports contacts as trail has gone cold. Group to advise

2.8. TS- DH advised now visited all impacted sites, where some require update of data. good feedback with LAs to date and to arrange further meetings with LAs outside aggloms.

2.9 DH advised AM should be able to provide majority of rail NMAs, following further work with DP by January 2010

2.10 Further Research- NK suggested need to analyse synergy of comparing air and noise impacts of say reducing urban car speed limits to 20mph. DP looking at similar research ongoing in Leicester of both AQMAs and NMAs. Will update group.

2.11. TRL Report- DH to chase up finalisations and clarify for DW, to enable publication

2.12- Next meeting tba- now going for 18th March at Aecom from 11am