

Scottish Environmental Noise Steering Group (SENSG)

Notes of Thirteenth Meeting – 18 March 2010 AECOM's Office, 225 Bath Street, Glasgow.

Present

David Wallace (DW) - Scottish Government and SENSG Chair
Steve Williamson (SW) - City of Edinburgh Council
Nick Evans (NE) – Scottish Government Planning
Maryanna Robinson (MR)-Scottish Government Planning
Bernadette McKell (BM)-AECOM
Alan Martin-Transport Scotland
Victoria Colling (VC)-BAA
Duncan McNab (DMN) Scottish Government

Apologies

Nigel Kerr (NK) - Glasgow City Council
Linda Story (LS)-Scottish Government
Drew Hill (DH) -Transport Scotland

Matters and Actions Arising :

1. With regard to the Transport Research Laboratory's report "A Review of Current Research on road Surface Noise reduction Techniques", the Scottish Government (SG) will contact TRL to enquire as the delay in providing the report to the Scottish Government so that it can be placed on the Scottish Government's website. In addition SG will ensure that the current noise action plans are on Scottish Noise Mapping website.
2. The possible provision of END noise mapping data to outside agencies will be discussed by SG with Defra and the Devolved Assemblies to formulate a consistent policy throughout the UK.
3. The chairs of the Glasgow, Edinburgh and Transport Working Groups all stated their anticipated completion date for the CNMA to NMA and CQA to QA evaluation process will be the end of June 2010.
4. A CNMA and QA adoption methodology that accommodates the relevant local authority internal processes was discussed.. It was decided that an initial CNMA and QA adoption process document be developed by SENSG for circulation, which would then be followed by detailed discussions that would involve the chairs of the Glasgow, Edinburgh and Transport Working Groups
5. Scottish Government will provide further information relating to the proposed grant scheme, which will be available to the local authorities for NMA noise mitigation measures..
6. The Scottish Government will re-circulate guidance document on mitigation measures to working groups for comment. In addition AECOM has agreed to add a section on educational aspects.
7. Scottish Government will meet with Drew Hill and Alan Martin of Transport Scotland to discuss guidance document, proposed grant scheme and more general noise and air quality matters.
8. Scottish Government noise team will meet with Planners to discuss further issues relating to the revision of PAN 56
9. Scottish Government encouraged BAA representatives, to reference END when developing their Noise Action Plans. This flows from the obligations in the EC Directive.