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ROADS DEPARTMENT

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30th April, 1975.

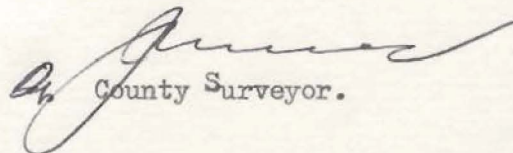
G.F. Trowbridge, Esq.,
Town Clerk,
Dornoch.

Dear Sir,

Dornoch Air Strip

Further to your letter of 12th March to Mr. Bruce regarding the above I have pleasure now in enclosing a copy letter sent to the Director of Environmental Health. I would be obliged if you would care to forward the necessary files to me by 16th May, 1975, together with any comments you may have on the contents of my letter.

Yours faithfully,


County Surveyor.

Copy - H.B. Field
B. Sutherland
M. Baillie
Burgh Chamberlain,
Dornoch.

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30th April, 1975.

Director of Environmental Health,
Woodlands,
Dornoch.

Dear Sir,

Dornoch Air Strip

Following discussion Mr. Field has had with yourself I understand that you are agreeable to administering the Air Strip on behalf of the Regional Council on an Agency Basis. It would appear that this arrangement is of benefit both to the District Council and the Regional Council as it provides the public with continuity in the running of the Airfield by way of staffing and experience and also provides the District Council with additional labour resources to carry out the work now to be undertaken from the Burgh Council.

This being the case it would be as well to set out the main points which come to mind now that the overall responsibility for the Airstrip is changing, and I set these out below. I am sure that other points will arise from time to time but I am certain these will be resolved expeditiously.


1. To obtain sufficient staff you will take over the existing manual staff and Mr. Morrison from the Burgh Council. Road maintenance work in the Dornoch area will continue to be carried out by my existing squad. In the case of Mr. Morrison it is understood that the Water Board will not stand in his way from joining you and this would give you an opportunity of increasing supervision.
2. I understand that a log of incoming flights and departures has to be kept together with details of the aircraft registration number, passengers, etc. This is required not only for private flights but also of course for Scheduled and Scheduled Chartered Flights. I suggest therefore that your office number be used i.e. Dornoch 488 for this purpose.

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3. Certain landing dues are collected and I suggest for the time being that these remain as before with the same method of collection. Obviously a separate account would be needed to accommodate this.
4. In the case of Scheduled and Scheduled Charter Flights the firefighting and ambulance equipment must be present at the time of arrival and departure and be in a position to act if necessary.
5. Mr. Morrison has been in the habit of checking the runway for holes, running up the firefighting equipment and ambulance every week and generally looking over the Buildings and Airstrip. If he could continue to carry out these duties I would be most obliged.
6. The points 2-5 inclusive are really only a repetition or extension of the existing and I trust will cause you no inconvenience. Of course all costs involved are a charge on the Regional Authority and as such should be addressed to my office in the first instance.
7. On the question of maintenance this can easily be done by my staff and Mr. Morrison should contact Mr. Field when the need arises.
8. The plant will be serviced and maintained by my department but will remain of course at Dornoch.
9. Any accounts for the existing telephone should be forwarded to me.
10. On the question of grass cutting I am asking assistance from the Director of Education in this respect.
11. I was informed by Mr. Trowbridge that he had written to Civil Aviation Authority on 10th April 1975 questioning whether one of the operatives had to be in possession of a Certificate from the Stanstead Fire School and a copy of his letter is enclosed. To date no reply has been forthcoming.

Should there be any points which come to mind please do not hesitate to let me know. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Trowbridge together with the request that he transfer the necessary files to me by 16th May so that I may complete any returns etc. needed by the Civil Aviation Authority.

Yours faithfully,


County Surveyor.