

Committee: **Greater London International Airport Authority**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Gregory Playford**

Address:

**283 Cathcart Street  
London, Ontario N6C 3N6**

Occupation: **Owner / President : Devonshire Financial**

Work experience: **Worked for federal government ( CMHC ) 1977 to 1985. Worked as Mortgage Broker specializing in commercial mortgage financing 1985 -1991. Formed Devonshire Financial 1991. Have arranged financing for many of the City's largest apartment projects. Recently formed Devonshire Consulting providing project development services to non-profits and private builders in the affordable housing sector.**

Education: **B.A. (Geography) University of Western Ontario 1973 Certificate ( Urban Studies ) Brock University 1975 FISCO Licensed Mortgage Broker 1991 - present**

Skills: **1. strong communication skills, consensus builder 2. extensive board experience and committee leadership. Experience with governance issues 3. urban studies background. Good appreciation of land development and business issues in London. 4. widely travelled**

Interest reason: **London International Airport is an increasingly important part of London's infrastructure. It's health is critical to the City's ability to attract larger corporate and foreign investment. Through my professional and volunteer involvements, I have a good understanding of the priorities and processes at Council and at City Hall and feel well positioned to represent the City's interests on this body.**

Contributions: **1. Experience with boards, governance and collective decision-making. 2. Understanding of property development dynamics 3. experience with budgeting and fiscal management 4. widely travelled and follower of aviation and airport industries**

Past contributions: **Long time Chair of the Community Housing Advisory Committee, former Vice-Chair London Housing Authority, former President of Homes Unlimited, a charitable non-profit that owns 7 housing projects. Currently Board Member and Chair - Social Finance Committee of the London Community Foundation.**

Interpersonal: **The success of any Board is in the ability to bring together varying experiences and perspectives to reach better decisions for the good of the organization being governed. My involvement with the Housing Authority, Homes Unlimited and the London Community Foundation has seen me take on leadership roles in moving forward new initiatives, resolving conflicts or differences and maintaining good management.**

Interview interest: **Yes**