Aerospace Bristol, home of last Concorde, opens to



Concorde in its new home Aerospace Bristol

The last Concorde ever to fly will soon be on public display thanks to National Lottery players.

Aerospace Bristol is opening on 17 October, following a £4.7million National Lottery grant to restore two First World War hangers at Filton Airfield and create a museum dedicated to Bristol's aerospace heritage.

This is the culmination of a three-year project led by Bristol Aero Collection Trust to tell the story of the industry and its impact on the area including the social history of the people who worked there.

Aerospace heritage

Filton Airfield played an important role in the development of Concorde. The site hosted the design, testing and production of the plane. Fittingly it will now be the home of Concorde Alpha Foxtrot, the last Concorde to fly.

The new museum will enable people of all ages to explore more than a century of aviation history. Interactive exhibitions will bring Bristol's rich aerospace heritage to life and will tell the fascinating stories and achievements of people, industry and science.

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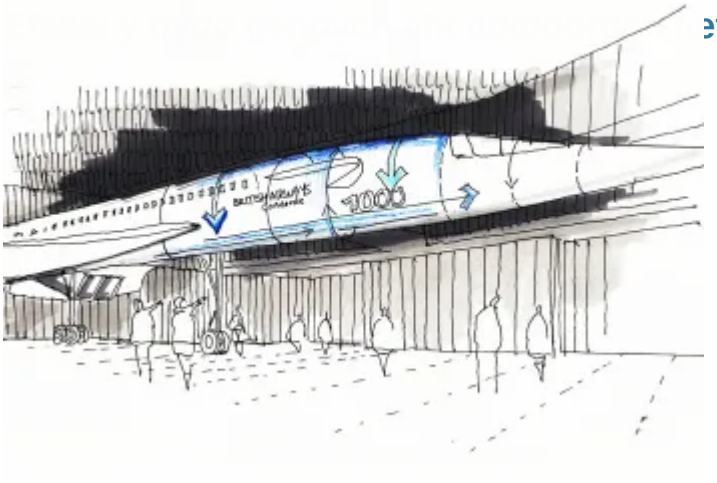
Lloyd Burnell, Executive Director of Aerospace Bristol, said “The new museum will offer something for everyone: Concorde, as always, has the power to amaze and looks just stunning in her new home; we have created a first-class exhibition to tell the story of Bristol’s aerospace achievements from 1910 to the modern day, and there are great fun interactives to keep all members of the family interested and entertained.”

Memories of Concorde

People with memories and stories of Concorde are invited to add their own piece of social history through Aerospace Bristol’s Concorde Memory Map.

Lloyd Burnell added: “We hope that all those who saw Concorde on her final flight into Filton that historic day will want to be one of the first to come and pay tribute to this very special design and engineering icon and learn about the Bristol people who worked here over the years.”

For more information, take a look at the Aerospace Bristol website.



An artist's impression of Concorde on display at Filton Airfield

Concorde’s final destination