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Dear Mr Olver

Support for Luton Rising's Proposals to Expand London Luton Airport

I am writing on behalf of Active Luton, a community wellbeing trust operating and delivering leisure, health and wellbeing, library and community facilities and services across Luton. Our Officers and Trustees are happy to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for long-term, sustainable growth of London Luton airport and are fully supportive of the proposals.

Active Luton's mission is to make a positive impact on the health and wellbeing of Luton's community, inspiring, motivating and offering opportunities for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds to learn and take action to improve their life chances. As the UK's most socially impactful airport, London Luton airport helps us fulfil this mission. We are proof that its operating profit benefits the community, not shareholders, through our work and that of others it supports.

As the UK's first Marmot town, Luton faces challenges in the wake of the pandemic and in the grip of the current cost of living crisis. Active Luton's 2023-28 strategy places it among the thriving local Voluntary, Community, Faith and Social Enterprise (VCFSE) sector working together in a town-wide effort to improve the health, wellbeing and life chances of its diverse and vibrant community. However, the full recovery of our town to achieve the Council's 2040 vision of no-one living in poverty will be expensive.

Active Luton has received a donation each year of its 18-year existence from the Airport's Community Fund. This generous donation has enabled us to work with and provide opportunities for those most in need, addressing health inequalities and improving life chances. However the challenges facing our town have never been more significant. Expansion of the airport would potentially mean more funds to plough back into supporting our community, exactly when they need it most.

Providing services to reach those most in need can often sit outside 'standard' services, and therefore can be cost and labour intensive. This is where we can have most impact and redress the balance of inequalities — whether this be in outreach programmes, subsidised activities, education or training or working with children and young people to raise aspirations.

We note that Luton Rising's proposal specifically states among its objectives to increase the financial support provided to voluntary, community and charitable organisations in Luton through the significantly increased income potential. We are also reassured by its proposals for Green Controlled Growth, addressing concerns around carbon emissions, air quality, noise and traffic.

Active Luton has an admirable track record of supporting its community and welcomes the opportunities that an expanded London Luton airport could bring.

Yours sincerely

Helen Barnett Chief Executive Active Luton



A2 Be Active





To: Graham Olver Chief Executive Officer Luton Rising Hart House Business Centre Kimpton Road Luton LU2 OLA

Dear Graham,

We have been pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport. We would like to express support for your objectives and your application for development consent.

Be Active is one of 43 Active Partnerships across England and we are inspiring Bedfordshire to Move More. We work to ensure movement is part of everyone's day to day life, in particular we look to address the inequalities around access to physical activity across Bedfordshire and Luton. Our vision is to have a Healthier and Happier Bedfordshire as well as working to break down barriers to ensure everyone in the county has an equal opportunity to access physical activity.

In the work we do we see how the community and voluntary sector benefit from the financial support offered via the charitable grant fund, which is available because of the airport. These organisations would not be able to do the valuable work they do without accessing grants and the growth of the airport will support this further. Luton Rising identifying a potential increase in this area of £13m per year by the mid-2040s will benefit those who need the most support to be physically active.

In addition to the support on offer to the voluntary sector, the airport continuing to support economic activity and increase the job opportunities in the area, all contributes to addressing the inequalities individuals and families face. Physical activity is an essential part of wellbeing but of course it is only part of the piece, people need an environment that enables them to thrive and this includes work and housing.

We are passionate about an active environment where people can move in a safe and environmentally friendly space so we are pleased to hear that the Airport is serious about growing in a green and sustainable way. It is important to physical and mental wellbeing of the population that Luton Rising intends to set limits for carbon emissions, air quality, noise and traffic.

We look forward to hearing about the progress made and the positive impact for Luton.

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30 January 2023

Dear Graham

Bedfordshire Chamber of Commerce is writing to express our support for Luton Rising's imminent application for development consent at London Luton Airport.

We believe it is vitally important that London Luton Airport continues with its long-term sustainable growth plans to provide certainty for the businesses and communities it serves for the foreseeable future. The airport is a linchpin of the regional economy, contributing over £1.1 billion a year to Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire economies and supporting 27,000 jobs nationally.

As the UK heads into a new chapter, London Luton Airport will have a vital role in driving trade by providing direct and frequent access to markets and global opportunities. When London Luton Airport thrives and grows, so too does the regional economy, so the airport's growth ambitions deserve our firm support.

Clearly growth should not be pursued at any cost, and given our businesses and employees are based in the local communities in and around the airport, we fully understand that the impacts of expansion need to be considered, off-set and ultimately prevented. The Green Controlled Growth proposals demonstrates that Luton Rising is serious about growing in a sustainable manner.

The Chamber believe that by unlocking much-needed new capacity, London Luton Airport's growth plans are a way of delivering significant benefits to its local communities. Expansion can provide a unique opportunity to build a long term and sustainable legacy but to do so it needs to ensure that goods and services are procured locally, investment in the required skills and training provides opportunities for local people and an inclusive growth agenda is pursued to ensure the benefits are shared by all.

We are firmly in support of the plans which we believe will play a crucial role in allowing businesses, their employees and our region to continue to prosper.

Justin Menaruson
Chief Executive

Our partners









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15th February 2023

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Dear Graham

I write in relation to the application for the long-term sustainable growth at Luton Airport, due to be submitted by Luton Rising.

I am pleased to confirm the Integrated Care Board's support for the proposed development following consideration of the proposal at our board meeting on 27 January 2023.

The Integrated Care Board (ICB) brings together health and care organisations across Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) to collaborate and share responsibility for the health and care of our local population. It is committed to delivering the highest quality healthcare and services as possible, while achieving best value for money.

In carrying out these responsibilities, the ICB considers it vital that all local developments consider not only the direct impact on health, but also the wider determinants of health. The wider determinants include employment, education, community and social connections, the built environment, and the ecological systems that support good health and wellbeing. The ICB is committed to working with partner organisations within Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes, including those organisations that have a large bearing on those wider determinants.

The Board noted the commitment to airport operations being net zero by 2040 and noted that the assessment indicated that the contribution from the expansion of the airport towards climate change would not prevent achievement of the UK's net zero ambitions.

The Board also noted the benefits and impacts outlined in the proposal, including the likely increase in economic activity, the plans to increase employment and support skills development in the local area, the legally-binding limits in the Green Controlled Growth commitments, the expected financial contribution to community projects, improved access to green space and the mitigations for noise pollution.















The Board looks forward to seeing the development progress and the commitments implemented, and will seek to understand and share across the system the learning from those commitments, as outlined in the proposal, towards supporting the wider determinants of health and the wellbeing of the local population.



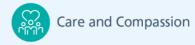
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6th February 2023

Our Ref: SS/LS

Dear Graham,

I have been pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport.

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the benefit we receive from your company and express support for your objectives, and your application for development consent.

Citizens Advice Luton (CAL) has been providing free, confidential and impartial advice and support to the residents of Luton for over 30 years. Our goal is to help everyone find a way forward, whatever problem they face. We empower local people and ensure they get the advice they need for the issues they face. We also look to improve the local policies and practices that affect their lives through active research and campaigning. We value diversity, promote equality and challenge discrimination in our service.

With recent cuts in funding, we have less resource to deliver our service and have had to make difficult decisions over the past two years: with redundancies and having to agree a deficit budget, it has been a worrying time for staff and the Board of Trustees.

But we remain extremely grateful to Luton Rising who have continued to provide funding to CAL even at the height of the pandemic. Without this funding, we would not have been able to open our front doors during the pandemic to deliver our much needed service. Many of our clients have been detrimentally impacted by the pandemic and we have seen a marked increase in the number of clients suffering with a mental health disability visiting CAL for enhanced support. We have also seen the impact of the Cost of Living crisis – there has been a huge increase in clients visiting us for fuel and/or food voucher support. It is vital that we are able to continue providing our service to support the local community. The funding from Luton Rising's Community Investment Fund has enabled us to provide

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our digital service with the addition of email advice and a video advice service to our existing Freephone telephone advice allowing more people to reach our service.

Citizens Advice Luton could not have opened its doors in 1992 without the support of Luton Borough Council who provided our core funding for our general advice service for many years. Due to changes in the funding structure, we then received funding direct from London Luton Airport Ltd (now Luton Rising) and more recently Bedfordshire and Luton Community Fund have distributed the Community Investment Fund on behalf of Luton Rising. Without this funding, we would not be able to provide our general advice service. If the funding is withdrawn or reduced any further, Citizens Advice Luton would have to make some very difficult decisions and possibly close our front doors – this would be detrimental for the thousands of clients we advise every year.

From April 2022 to December 2022, we have already helped 14,659 clients with 33,240 issues and demand continues to increase.

In 2021/2022, with the support from Luton Rising's CIF fund:

- We helped our clients to increase their income by a staggering £2,522,433.
- Our debt team helped over 900 families with nearly £6.145million of arrears of which £4.137million were for priority debts.
- Issued hundreds of families in desperate need with food and fuel vouchers.

For every £1 invested in our service in 2021/22 we generated:

- £2.48 in savings to government and public services (fiscal value): Total £1,973,322
- £31.54 in wider economic and social benefits (public value): Total £25,089,414
- £15.72 in financial value to the people we help (specific outcomes): Total £12,507,576

We work closely with our Luton Access partners: Luton Irish Forum, Luton Law Centre and Luton Rights, working together to relieve poverty and disadvantage. CAL is the lead partner for the Luton Access initiative and applies to the Community Investment Fund on behalf of the three other organisations. The support from Luton Rising enables us to work together providing a streamlined advice service to our clients.

CAL fully supports the airport expansion as this will increase employment opportunities for Luton residents and also increase the Community Investment Fund pot by an additional £13million per year by the mid 2040's (the fund was £9million in 2019 maintained at £7.4million during the pandemic). Additional capacity within the CIF fund will allow us to apply for increased funding to expand our service.

CAL is a member of Luton Borough Council's Inclusive Economy Board and has committed to their Luton 2040 initiative with our pledge to include:

- increasing our volunteer numbers and providing comprehensive training and support giving volunteers the knowledge and experience they need to gain local employment
- working with National Citizens Advice on their Net Zero Strategy providing impactful local research data to effect policy change

Our pledge mirrors the work that Luton Rising is doing as part of their planned expansion – skills and training for local people and green controlled sustainable growth.

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As a fellow member of Luton's Fairness Taskforce, we are working together with a number of organisations, including Luton Rising, on ensuring these commitments are achieved. Our Board of Trustees fully supports the airport expansion and our pledge and commitment to the shared objectives.

We remain extremely grateful to Luton Rising for their continued support for Citizens Advice Luton and will continue to work with them to build better lives in Luton and making Luton a place to thrive.

Yours sincerely,



Stephanie Simeon Chief Executive Citizens Advice Luton





A6 Community Interest Luton





25th January 2023

Dear Graham

I am writing on behalf of Community Interest Luton to let you know that we fully support your proposals for long-term sustainable growth of London Luton Airport.

The financial and in-kind support we have received from the airport over many years has enabled us to deliver hundreds of vital community projects, campaigns and fundraisers to support some of the most vulnerable people in Luton.

Community Interest Luton is a registered charity and we are proud to manage numerous successful projects which help thousands of people from the most deprived areas of Luton. We have formed strong relationships within the community and the projects are all run by local people who truly understand the needs of the Luton population. These projects would not be possible without the incredible support and time from all our volunteers.

Over the last 13 years we have supported over 2,000 people through out employment hub, 300 of them have gone into employment, 400 into volunteering roles and over 150 into higher education and training. We have also raised over 1million for local charitable causes such as Foodbank, Keech, Children with Cancer, Luton and Dunstable Hospital and many more. Every Friday in partnership with Discover Islam and Venue Central we provide 100 hot meals to those most vulnerable in the community.

To have an airport which is owned for the benefit of our community, rather than to line the pockets of private shareholders is something we treasure here in Luton. Luton Rising shares our values for creating a town that is fair, equitable and where anyone has the chance to thrive, not matter what their background is

When the airport succeeds, so do the people of Luton, as the money the airport generates is invested straight back into the community to charities such as ours to deliver vital work to tackle the many socioeconomic challenges our town faces.

An airport with more passengers will ensure more money is invested back into the Luton community and to charities such as ours to fund and deliver even more grassroots projects to support those in need.

And I also know that all of you at Luton Rising and Luton Council are committed to ensuring that as many local people as possible have the opportunity to secure the new jobs created as a result of expanding the airport. This will go a long way towards tackling the poverty that exists in our town.

It is these reasons why your proposals have our full backing — Luton has suffered through austerity, the pandemic and now the cost-of-living crisis, but it's our airport that has helped the town stay afloat and enabled the charity sector to deliver vital work across our communities. An expanded airport will help ensure that our town can be self-sustainable and thrive for generations to come.

Yours sincerely

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A7 Inspire FM



To Graham Olver
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15th February 2023

Dear Graham,

We are pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport.

Support from Luton Rising has helped many local projects flourish and that includes Inspire FM's flagship annual event of Inspire Eid, which is designed to make the celebration of Eid accessible and affordable to all in the town and we would not be able to put this event up without the support of Luton Rising. Inspire Eid is a local event with over 40,00 attendees over the two events and with the support of Luton Rising we were able to put the smiles on all those families in Luton.

Inspire FM works with many community organisations and we are aware of so many community projects which will cease to exist if they did not receive the support from Luton Rising. Hence the support from Luton Rising is a critical part of so many local community organisations in Luton, so while the Luton Rising plan will help strengthen the town's economic stance but it will also help so many local organisations exist in the town.

The impact on the local community will be direct and in-direct, where many will benefit from being able to have a much bigger airport locally, which will stop unnecessary journeys to airports outside Luton, but in-directly the whole community will benefit by having more people travel through Luton and spend money locally in Luton.

I will personally benefit with having many family members living in Europe and often having to travel to various airports in London to fly out to see my relatives, but now would be able to make the same journey locally from Luton. This will not only help me financially and save time but also the environment with making less journeys on the motorway.

I think it is very important to remember Luton Rising is very serious about growing in a green and sustainable way and set limits on things like carbon emissions etc.

For Inspire FM as a community organisation who has the needs and best wishes of the community at every decision and project it does, I think growth of the airport will be very beneficial for the whole community and with the growth and success of the airport we will be able to help and support so many of those less fortunate and vulnerable in our town.

Yours sincerely

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Wednesday 1 February 2023

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Keech Hospice Care is delighted to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport.

It is therefore timely that we take this opportunity to express our gratitude for the support we have received and acknowledge the benefit our patients and families have also received from your business and social enterprise. We have a strong history of working together, and this is because our objectives and values closely align. We express our firm support for your objectives, and your application for development consent.

Keech Hospice Care has been providing care for children and adults across Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire and Milton Keynes for over 30 years. We support both children and adults with life limiting illnesses and their family and friends. Last years we cared for over 2,500 people. We have recently written a new three year strategy, and our refreshed strategic goals include *reaching everyone* in our community who needs us, a hospice for everyone. We have also increased our efforts to improve our digital and innovation capabilities alongside a strong aim of being more sustainable, this mirrors your own 'The Green Controlled Growth' proposals which will ensure that any future growth will be sustainable. This combined with our laser focus on financial health will see us through the next three years. It is clear our future objectives and vision align.

We have been connected to Luton Rising since May 2013 and you have supported our charity with funds but also with a clear aim of raising awareness for our purpose. We have received donations both directly and through Luton Rising funds managed by others every second year since this time.

The most recent donation was via the Beds & Luton Community Foundation Stability Fund. This Fund aims to help charitable organisations in Bedfordshire & Luton recover from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. The fund offered financial stability over a period of 2 years to established charitable organisations, which already had a clear track record in delivering services locally and had the capacity to adapt/enhance their services in response to the current and longer term impacts of Covid-19. We received £15,000 to continue with work in our children's services which had to considerably adapt and change post-pandemic. This funding finishes in April 2023.



During the Covid-19 pandemic Luton Rising exceeded their initial commitment to Keech Hospice Care, and the town, through their support of our art trail. Working with other donors in Luton, the specific donations from Luton Rising, totalling £40,000, meant we were able to deliver a free art exhibition to all Luton residents, covering 7km of outside space so that health and wellbeing could be enhanced during a time when many of us felt isolated.

All of the funds from Luton Rising have been for our core work, this is essential for us, as it enables us to continue to provide care when it matters the most.

All charities face the dual economic pressure of managing our finances as our charitable donations come under pressure, whilst simultaneously caring for an exponential growth in the number of children and adults who need our care.

Your support of the voluntary sector and enabling our reach into communities could not be more important.

It is without doubt our communities and the people we care for would be worse off without the ever-benevolent presence of the airport and Luton Rising. The business objective of increasing the amount of financial support provided to voluntary, community and charitable organisations in Luton, could not be more needed. With current increases in the cost of living we know that the cost of running a voluntary organisation will rise. This report:

describes some of the challenges we may face. Luton Rising have identified how there is the potential for their charitable contributions to increase by an additional £13m per year by the mid-2040s, almost three times the amount it was able to donate in 2020. This continued funding opportunity will make a huge difference to the services that Keech Hospice Care can plan for and aim to provide.

The increase in jobs created by this proposal will have a positive impact on our patients, no one should die in poverty and currently in the UK 10 people every hour die in poverty. Having a good and stable job will enable people and their carers to experience a better and more dignified life and death.

Keech Hospice Care has responded positively to the previous consultations. This proposal has been shared with my Chair of Trustees.

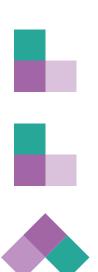
Keech Hospice care is supportive of the proposal to grow the airport and of the objectives of Luton Rising.

Kind regards,

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23 February 2023

Dear Graham,

Please take this letter as confirmation of London Luton Airport Operations Limited's ("LLAOL") (Registration Number: 03491213) support for the Development Consent Order (DCO) application (Application reference: TR020001) to expand London Luton Airport to 32 million passengers per annum (the "Application") submitted by Luton Rising (the "Applicant").

The Applicant's plans align with our ambition as the Airport Operator to grow the supply of airport capacity at Luton to help satisfy growth in aviation demand across the London market. The success and growth of London Luton Airport is essential to 'levelling up' a region that relies on the airport's success to fund vital public services, and the expansion will also support the UK's broader economic growth agenda.

Since we provided our feedback on the Statutory Consultation in April 2022, we have continued to work closely with the Applicant to assist their development of the DCO scheme that enables growth, in a sustainable way. This has resulted in what we consider to be the most sustainable airport expansion plan ever proposed in the UK. In particular:

- Green Controlled Growth (GCG) Framework This framework ensures that growth at the airport will be conditional on compliance with strict environmental limits, ensuring such growth is sustainable.
- Managing growth Airlines operating at London Luton Airport are ambitious to expand and to bring new jobs and new opportunities to the region. Airlines are currently working with LLAOL to deliver the next generation of quieter aircraft into Luton, which will ensure our noise impacts are sustainably managed in line with the GCG framework.
- Terminal capacity build out Expanding capacity is critical to growing the
 airport and we are pleased the Applicant has taken on board our ideas
 and approach to how the existing operational terminal can be expanded.
 This approach will minimise disruption to the airport and local community
 (re: construction impact), whilst allowing for more passengers to use the
 airport.
- Acting responsibly A core tenet of the way we operate the airport is to
 ensure we continuously review our environmental impacts and implement
 plans that will reduce our carbon footprint as well as that of our service
 partners. The DCO builds on this commitment. Our excellent track record
 for creating a sustainable airport is a matter of public record, where we
 are committed to achieving carbon neutrality by 2026 or sooner and net
 zero by 2040 for airport operations. The Environmental Scrutiny Group
 and increased public engagement will provide further opportunity to
 strengthen the airports' credentials in this area.



- Enhanced Noise Insulation Scheme as part of the DCO plans we agree that it is vital to reduce the adverse impacts of growth on those most affected, particularly by noise. We are therefore supportive of, and committed to, delivering the proposed Noise Insulation Programme (which has been significantly enhanced versus the current scheme) in conjunction with the Applicant.
- Finally, we would like to highlight the level of collaboration between LLAOL as Airport Operator, and Luton Rising as Applicant, in developing the DCO since Statutory Consultation. Both we and Luton Rising recognised the importance of us working closely to support the development of the final submitted application. This in our view has materially addressed the issues we raised during the Statutory Consultation.

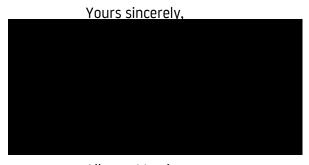
LLAOL recognises that in seeking approval for the DCO it is important for the Applicant to demonstrate adequate financial resources are in place, both in relation to any land acquisition proposed and the wider implementation of the project. Subject to approval being obtained and subject to suitable commercial arrangements being agreed with the Applicant, LLAOL is committed to the development and growth of the airport. Negotiations are ongoing to reach a suitable commercial agreement with The Applicant, which need to be in place prior to development commencing.

Based on the above, LLAOL has taken the view with The Applicant that a draft Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) is not required as part of the application and that this Letter of Support is sufficient to demonstrate our support. Nevertheless LLAOL may wish to make representations during examination including but not limited to:

- Matters concerning airport operations;
- Matters concerning the extant Concession Agreement;
- Developments to the DCO Drafting and S.106 Agreement;
- The extant planning position at the airport.

LLAOL recognises the critical position we maintain in running the UK's fifth largest airport. A successful London Luton Airport creates economic growth, jobs and new opportunities through the local economy that in turn helps to improve the lives of residents in the local area. Expanding the airport in a long-term sustainable way that is underpinned by net zero operations by 2040 and other environmentally driven Limits to growth is innovative and presents an exciting future for the airport.

We are therefore supportive of this Application and to working with the Applicant to deliver it post approval, subject to reaching commercial agreement.



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3 February 2023

Dear Graham

We are pleased to hear that Luton Rising is getting ready to submit its application for the airport's long-term sustainable growth. I have discussed proposals with our Trustees, and am writing on their behalf.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Luton Rising for the support you provide us with, as well as to show our support for your request for development consent.

Luton Irish Forum (LIF) exists to promote Irish identity and Irish culture and heritage and improve the quality of life of the Irish community, mainly but not exclusively. LIF is a registered company limited by guarantee. It has a fully accessible community centre; Kathleen Connolly House, from which our welfare, cultural, social and volunteering services are coordinated; and many take place.

We have been supported by Luton Rising for over 10 years and consider Luton Rising to be a key partner.

We have benefited from support to our welfare services of approximately £30,000 annually. This funds the cost of a Welfare Officer who works with over 200 clients per year.

As a result of engaging with our welfare service most clients experienced benefits to their health, more than half visited their GP less often, 94% found it easier to sleep and felt less anxious, irritable or stressed, 96% reported feeling less depressed or down. Three-quarters said their health has improved as a direct result of their involvement with LIF [a further 10% said it had helped to keep the same] and 98% felt more supported. Some 72% said they felt able to go out/leave their home more following support from LIF.

The work LIF welfare service does with and on behalf of clients improves their quality of life by improving financial stability, supporting individuals to access and maintain suitable accommodation and promoting independence. At the end of their case, 94% of clients said they felt more in control and that they knew more about what they should do. 96% said the work LIF did helped them better meeting their basic costs such as food and heat. Everyone surveyed said their involvement with LIF had helped them live in good quality, warm and secure housing and 98% felt that their engagement with LIF had resulted in them remaining independent.

Without this funding we would be unable to provide support to these predominant older vulnerable people.

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We also receive funding for St Patrick's Festival of £12,000. First held in Luton in 2000, the parade day and fringe events have become one of the leading attractions of the Luton cultural calendar, and in 2022, was listed in the top 20 things to do in Bedfordshire. The Festival brings Irish music and dance to the streets and entertainment venues of Luton to over 1,000s of spectators.

Without this funding, we could not arrange this much loved day that helps promote a more vibrant sense of community and of Irish identity and build cross community relationships.

We are aware that Luton Rising's objective is to increase the amount of financial support provided to voluntary, community and charitable organisations in Luton and is also looking to considerably extend the support provided to neighbouring communities impacted by airport operations.

We hosted a presentation on Luton Rising proposals with our members in March 2021 and these were the following themes:

- All attendees agreed with the expansion
- Apprenticeship degrees to be promoted in schools
- Jobs to be advertised more broadly, including the Job Centre, in key places of interest such as the Mall and on main job search websites
- Parking fees for drop offs are extortionate people walk to the mid stay car park to avoid charges which is dangerous could there be a shuttle?
- Provide early and late bus links by arranging subsidy. This would be required for a limited period as with increasing demand it would become profitable for the bus companies
- Dig development land at Wigmore Valley with care for wildlife
- Is it possible for the Tea and Chat Group to have a ride on the dart as part of the PR
- Taxi charges are extortionate
- Standardise skill sets required to enable people to apply for jobs
- Clarity about funding strands and ensuring it's impact, i.e. can you apply for more than one and can support be multiannual
- The Operations Grant, for flight path neighbourhoods should be higher

We are satisfied that the views of our members were considered and we are satisfied that these matters have been taken on board by Luton Rising. We note that Luton Airport is serious about growing in a green and sustainable way and that the Green Controlled Growth proposals will ensure that any future growth will be sustainable. We also note that under these proposals, Luton Rising intends to set limits for carbon emissions, air quality, noise and traffic and these will be legally-binding and independently monitored.

I wish to conclude that this expansion is exactly the kind of boost Luton needs in terms of skills development and employment opportunities and look forward to a positive outcome.

Yours sincerely

Noelette Hanley Chief Executive Officer













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8 February 2023

By email

Dear Graham

We have been pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport.

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the benefit we receive from your company and express support for your objectives, and your application for development consent.

Luton Law Centre has been serving the residents of Luton since 1989. We strive for a just and equal society where everyone's rights are valued and protected. We do this by providing legal support, services, information, and education to the diverse communities of Luton and its' surrounding areas in housing (preventing homelessness, rectifying disrepair etc), community care, immigration, and asylum law. As a registered charity it is our purpose to alleviate poverty and to improve access to services.

Our work has been supported with funding from Luton Rising for many years, this has funded core costs, advice lines and specialist legal casework. In recent years we have worked in a consortium (Luton Access Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG)) with Citizens Advice Luton, Luton Rights and Luton Irish Forum, the grant received from Luton Rising has enabled the provision of a wrap-around holistic advice service which strives to meet the needs of Luton citizens.

In the 2021/22 financial year the funding from Luton Rising enabled us to provide detailed telephone advice (including second tier advice) to 1233 people, open 99 cases and signposted 921 enquirers to other organisations for specialist advice and assistance. This would not be possible without funding from Luton Rising.

The airport is essential to Luton's economy supporting economic activity of £1.8billion per year and 27,000 jobs in the region. Expansion of the airport could support an increase in economic activity of £1.6 billion per year and create a further 11,200 jobs.



The financial support (£9 million in 2019) that Luton Rising provides to voluntary, community and charitable organisations is vital to Luton residents serving to improve their quality of life and provide them with improved life opportunities. The expansion of the airport will enable increased support of an additional £13 million per year by the mid-2040s.

Importantly, the plans for the expansion also seek to minimise the environmental impact the expansion will have on the local area addressing carbon emissions, air quality, noise and traffic.

As an organisation we support the application for development consent as it is essential for much needed economic growth in the area whilst enabling important support services to be provided to the residents of Luton and surrounding areas.

Yours sincerely

Centre Director

A12 NOAH





January 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

I am witing in support of Luton Risings plan for growth.

As a recipient of the 'Community Investment Programme' our services have received funding for more than a decade which has generated significant year on year social impact in our town. We currently receive £76'000 pa which is 1/3 of the operating budget of our centre.

NOAH is pleased to deliver accessible and responsive care to people experiencing homelessness in Luton. The doors to our welfare centre are open and we see lives being changed each and every day. Last year 752 different people came to our centre for help, we served 6,229 hot meals and we helped 297 different people to find accommodation. We seek to empower the strength of each person to create change and leave poverty behind.

NOAH could not deliver this project without the assured and generous support of our trust and grants of which Luton Rising is the most significant. Their investment delivers on the funds priority outcomes to improve health and wellbeing as well as reduce poverty and disadvantage. We have been able to help people access a myriad of health support such as GP access, nursing and dentistry. We have helped people gain new skills, learn English and gain employment.

The grant is utilised to employ staff who understand the accommodation landscape and give expert and realistic advice, they also help people to navigate the DWP and the NHS systems. We purchase food ingredients for meals and the grant contributes towards the cost of operating our welfare centre drop in building.

Our understanding of the new Luton Rising proposals is that they will facilitate further economic growth for the region and increase the number of jobs that local people can apply for which we fully support.

We want to see Luton thriving as a town with great local industries and improved connectively to allow business to innovate and generate prosperity for people in the region.











The Luton Rising contribution to community support has been £7.4m this year and we are informed that there is potential for this to increase by an additional £13m by the mid 2040's.

NOAH's ambition is to innovate and develop quality services which create lasting change for those facing poverty. Some of our projects have been showcased on the European Stage as international best practise such as our EUSS employment accommodation project which helped 78 people move from rough sleeping into work via immigration support and training.

Next we are developing a new building which will enable us to utilise an adaptive space in which we can react to the changing poverty of our time be that younger people, older people, families, single people and people from all walks of lives and backgrounds.

An increase in future investment will enable us to evolve our skills and training programme which will dovetail with the Luton Rising objective to make sure local people are supported and well placed in making future applications for jobs that are created by the forecast economic growth.

Luton needs levelling up and NOAH believes that the Luton Borough Council 2040 vision to eliminate poverty is an ambitious and appropriate goal.

Success of the airport will enable NOAH to further our impact which will positively transform the lives of the current and future generations of Lutonians.

Thank you to Luton Rising for your ongoing support of our work.

Kind regards



Paul Prosser

Head of Welfare Services







A13 The Culture Trust



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20 February 2023

Dear Graham Olver

Re: Support of Airport Expansion

The Culture Trust, Luton is pleased to support Luton Rising's application for the long-term sustainable growth at the Town's airport.

We benefit directly from the success of Luton Airport through an annual donation towards Museums, Arts, Heritage and the Creative Industries across three sites in Luton. Our aim is to *Connect Communities through Culture* and we do this extensively – but only because we receive community funding from the Airport. This vital support enables:

- 195,000 cultural visits to Stockwood Discovery, Wardown Museum and the Hat Factory Arts Centre.
- Free access to Museums & heritage ensuring cost is not a barrier to community engagement.
- **8,200 young people** (0-25 years) to participate in cultural skills workshops and learning activities.
- 98.5 Jobs FTEs jobs supported through our creative and cultural ecology.
- 19 creative businesses and 53 creative start-up members provides with inspiring workspace.
- £3.6 million of GVA impacts through our Hat District cultural economy regeneration project.

We are keen that Luton is recognised as a destination in its own right for careers, jobs and prosperity. The Airport expansion will boost the local economy and more people will visit the town. This, we believe will have a positive ripple effect and enable other community organisations and businesses to prosper. This will help us nurture creative industry start-ups, micro-businesses and digital tech in the Hat District Creative Cluster. The airport expansion and increased community investment locally will help boost our ability to lead on culturally regenerating the Hat District in the Town Centre. Our work will benefit more residents, students, workers and visitors by creating a vibrant and stimulating destination of choice.

Luton Rising listens to community needs and this is demonstrated by the support they have given us through COVID and currently through the economic downturn. This funding helps underpin our charity core costs which enables us to operate professionally and deliver high quality services such as the management of the Towns collection and Museum accreditation status. We care for a collection of over 90,000 museum

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objects, 1.5 million photographs and maps and the most extensive and complete hat and headwear collection in the UK on behalf of the town. This is enabled by Luton Rising community funding. In addition, we animate, care for and preserve listed heritage buildings, gardens, sculpture and museums. Luton Rising's objective to increase the amount of financial support provided to voluntary, community and charitable organisations in Luton will enable us to both sustain and grow this high quality provision into the long-term.

We have examined the Luton Rising Airport expansion plans, and in particular the environmental issues. One of our sites (Stockwood Discovery Centre) is situated directly under the flight-path and includes a Grade II listed garden, heritage Courtyard and the most extensive collection of Ian Hamilton-Finlay outdoor sculptures in England (also listed). Stockwood includes two Museums showcasing local life collection and the Mossman Galleries that promote local engineering, Vauxhall cars, carriages and sustainability. We engage local schools and young people in workshops and activities that use our collection and the gardens to discuss the climate, ecology and sustainability. Our ambition for Stockwood is to be net-zero and we are currently working towards a decarbonisation plan. We are therefore keen to understand the airport growth plans and impact on the environment. We are impressed with the 'Green Controlled Growth' strategy that Luton Rising have presented and the fact that this is going to be independently monitored. We also value the openness of Luton Rising in sharing data with our community. We are supportive of this approach. Stockwood Discovery Centre is enjoyed by thousands of people every year and we will continue to be very proud of Luton Rising Funding.

In summary, we confidently support the plans of Luton Rising to expand the airport, in the knowledge that the current funding for culture has a significant positive impact on local communities and that through airport growth these impacts will be strengthened. We look forward to our cultural economy, creative skills and heritage engagement growing in Luton alongside the airport over the coming years.

Yours Sincerely,



Marie Kirbyshaw Chief Executive



Sir Geoff Mulgan Acting Chair of the board of Trustees

A14 Restoration Revival Fellowship, Luton



Restoration Revival Fellowship, Luton



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20th February 2023

Dear Graham

I am pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport.

I would like to take this opportunity to express support for your objectives, and your application for development consent.

My support and that of other church leaders is on the basis of:

- The positive impact the airport already has on our town, especially since the loss of Vauxhall and other businesses.
- The positive impact an expanded airport would have on a young population in terms of aspiration and real job opportunities.
- The negative impact the airport not being in the area would have on the town and it's future as a thriving town so close to London.

I have been in Luton for nearly 40 years and have seen the significant role the airport has played in the life of the community. The airport gives pleasure to many for its so very close by and has contributed much to chaitable organisations.

I am told, Luton Airport's expansion plans will create more than 10,000 new jobs and an additional £1.6bn in economic activity.

As a pastor of a local church and president of a network of churches, I support the expansion for all the above reasons.

Yours sincerely

Rev. Lloyd Denny DL

 $\textbf{Services:} \ \textbf{Sunday-11} \textbf{am \& 7pm-In person and livestreaming.} \ \textbf{Tuesdays \& Fridays Zoom @8pm}$

A15 Stepping Stones Luton



Friday, 27th January, 2023

Reference: Luton Rising Proposal for Airport Development

Dear Graham,

I write to you on behalf of Stepping Stones Luton to express our support for the anticipated Luton Rising application that is due for submission pertaining to long term sustainable growth of London Luton Airport. Luton Rising has been, and continues to be, an essential funder of our charity. Without this critical funding, Stepping Stones Luton would not be able to provide life changing support to hundreds of women and their children within the Luton borough. As you will be aware, Stepping Stones Luton is a vital Luton based charity that provides intensive therapeutic, practical and advocacy support to women experiencing domestic abuse, substance misuse and criminality. With funding from Luton Rising, we are able to provide one to one and group support to women who are often frightened, broken and lost. We can advocate on the behalf of the voiceless and provide intervention at crisis point when a woman is fleeing a life-threatening violent situation.

Like Luton Rising, we too are committed to the development and support of our shared residents, by empowering women into higher education and employment, and endeavouring to support behavioural changes so that our community can lead more fulfilling and prosocial lives. Stepping Stones Luton works to change the lives of women and families within the Luton area by equipping them with the tools and education to make healthy, positive choices and to engage effectively and altruistically with the wider Luton community though volunteering, providing peer



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support and speaking about lived experience of violence, poverty, and mental health. The Luton Rising funding that we receive ensures that we are able to respond to increasingly diverse and complex needs by the deployment of highly trained and skilled practitioners. That we are the only women's services provider within Bedfordshire to offer free Ofsted recognised childcare makes us unique. It means that women can attend essential appointments with statutory agencies involved in their families care and work / participate in education without having to fret about their child / children.

We know that London Luton Airport provides employment to the local community and investment in the local economy and this has a positive financial and psychosocial impact on Luton and the surrounds. For us, this means that we are able to work in partnership with aforementioned airport to support appropriate recruitment of clients from our service beneficiary community and is beneficial when seeking project-based funding from other grant makers. The latter see the consistently high and credible outcomes we secure for our clients due to the funding support we receive from Luton Rising, and they are more likely to fund our work.

Stepping Stones Luton can rightly claim to be a service *for* the local community delivered *by* the local community and *funded* by the local community and this is due in marked part to the funding received from Luton Rising. Our charity is proud of our community and committed to its longevity and this is echoed by the funding we have received from Luton Rising and we have no reservation lending our full support to your application.

Vours sincerely

Alison Westwood-Inan

Chief Executive Officer.

A16 South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership



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Mr Graham Olver Chief Executive Officer Luton Rising Hart House Business Centre Kimpton Road Luton LU2 0LA

10 February 2023

Dear Graham

I am writing on behalf of the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership (SEMLEP) about Luton Rising's proposed DCO to expand London Luton Airport (LLA). SEMLEP has a policy of not commenting directly on planning issues. However, we recognise that London Luton Airport has a significant impact on the local and regional economy as set out below.

The <u>South East Midlands Local Industrial Strategy</u>, which was co-produced by SEMLEP, local partners and government, identified LLA as a key asset to the region's economy. It is the region's main international gateway and a significant contributor to regional jobs and growth. Our strategy recognised the airport as the UK's fifth largest airport, and its 75% growth in passengers in the 5 years to 2019 makes it a clear driver of regional economic growth. The analysis in the statutory consultation document would also suggest that LLA supports some 27,500 jobs nationally, and contributing £1.8bn to UK GDP, as of 2019. This expansion could create 12,000 additional jobs and an additional £1.6bn contribution to the national economy. It will also provide more growth opportunities for the Luton Airport Enterprise Zone. This is fully consistent with our ambition to double the gross value added of the South East Midlands region from 2017 to 2050.

However, we also recognise that the local air transport sector has been significantly negatively impacted during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our economic forecasts, published in 2020, identified air and water transport as the most immediately impacted sector in employment terms in the region. The proposed expansion would play a crucial role in ensuring the airport has the infrastructure and capacity to make a strong recovery from this position.

Furthermore, SEMLEP recognises LLA as a unique airport, being owned by Luton Borough Council through the Luton Rising social enterprise. This ensures that the airport is run for community benefit, and it is positive to see that the Employment and Training Strategy (ETS) – which SEMLEP supported through its stakeholder group - ensures that Luton residents would be able to access high quality job and training opportunities during the construction and operation of the expanded airport. This is critical for improving the supply of skilled workers in the SEMLEP region, which continues to be one of the top constraints to growth as reported by local businesses. Should permission be granted, SEMLEP would hope to support this aim through our links with the SEM Careers Hub.

¹ 2021 SEMLEP Business Survey

We also support the Airport's commitment to environmental sustainability through its Green Controlled Growth strategy. This is important for the project to meet our Local Industrial Strategy's ambition to support long-term sustainable economic growth.

SEMLEP is keen to ensure, as host of the strategic voice of business, that the Airport maximises its economic benefits for the region.

Your sincerely,



Hilary Chipping, Chief Executive SEMLEP

Cc Peter Horrocks CBE, Chair of SEMLEP

A17 The Mall Luton



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37 The Mall

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7th February 2023

Dear Graham

pplication for the long-term sustainable

We have been pleased to learn that Luton Rising is about to submit its application for the long-term sustainable growth at the airport. We would like to take this opportunity to express support for your objectives and your application for development consent.

The Mall Luton is a community shopping centre that has been the heart of the town for the past fifty years and we are committed to the success of the town centre and its businesses. We want to see an active and vibrant town centre and a stronger local economy. The Town Centre Masterplan and the recent announcement of Levelling-Up funding for the town will help with the recovery of the town centre, while the Luton Rising project will help strengthen the town's economic fundamentals and support local charitable organisations with their unique financial funding to the area.

The town's unemployment rate is higher than regional rates, a figure made worse by the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic. Luton has substantial pockets of deprivation, particularly amongst residents of the town centre.

The impact on the local economy of the 10,000 new jobs in Luton and neighbouring counties that the airport expansion would provide, along with the wider economic impacts of more visitors and travellers passing through the airport, would strengthen the town's whole economy and contribute to the success and ongoing transformation of the town centre. We understand Luton Rising's plan is to cement the area as a leading hub for green technology, research and finance, which will help deliver levelling up in Luton which we would welcome. We therefore particularly welcome the Employment and Training Strategy and its commitment to helping Luton residents take up new, well-paid job opportunities.

It is important to note that Luton Rising is serious about growing in a green and sustainable way. The Green Controlled Growth proposals will ensure that any future growth will be sustainable. Under these proposals, Luton Rising intends to set limits for carbon emissions, air quality, noise and traffic. These will be legally-binding and independently monitored and are important to everyone in the surrounding area.

Luton Rising's objective is to increase the amount of financial support provided to voluntary, community and charitable organisations in Luton. This exceeded £9m in 2019, and has been maintained at £7.4m during the pandemic. Luton Rising has identified how there is the potential for this to increase by an additional £13m per year by the mid-2040s support neighbouring areas where it is acknowledged there is an impact on tions.

General Manager

The Mall

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