

We live in the final approach path to Luton airport and are both residents and on occasion passengers. I have had difficulty in uploading my comments to the airport expansion and I understand that objections can be sent to this address up to 6 July.

Please note that we live in the final approach area and we have found the following with the present increased traffic so far:

- Planes sometimes overfly our house or the angle takes them nearer to us than the normal flight path dictates.
- The noise at this level has been far louder and more frequent if this increases by 80% during the expansion plans our lives will be changed forever We live in a peaceful rural area and even now it is like the M1 at peak times.
- The noise level at night has increased dramatically and has interrupted our sleep during the early hours when heavy planes with deep noise take off or land.
- The noise level during clear weather is amplified and again the planes are closer
- There is increased traffic from helicopters which do not seem to have a flight path at all appearing from random direction flying low and very noisy.
- We keep having to retune our television as we lose signal which coincides with noisy and low flights close by.
- Why is the airport continuing a 24hr flight pattern. People need to sleep and heavy loads of freight at night means no sleep or disturbed sleep.
- And with all the expansion such as roads nothing much has changed for passengers – delayed flights both in and out last week, old planes very noisy and frequent cases of “going technical” Long queues at passport control, machines causing delays with epassport on a very hot day, no airbridges, old and untended corridors to bring in arrivals, scruffy and unkempt parts of the airport and no travelators or help once you get off the plane. This is an international airport? It is clear that it is not working for both passengers and residents. Further expansion should be halted until the airport has resolved the present solvable issues with sound barriers, proper controls over flight paths and fulfilled its obligations to passengers as well. Then another review of the need for such traffic the banning of night flights and controls on old and heavy aircraft with noise reduction the major factor.