

London Luton Airport Expansion Project Team

Letter to Planning Inspectorate for inclusion in deadline 1 responses.  
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As per our conversation at the meeting on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Aug 2023 can you please add this response to the file for the DCO for the LLA Expansion Project.

I have personally been living at my current property for over 30 years with my neighbour living at her property for over 50 years, we moved into our properties knowing that it was close to the airport and its flight paths, which we fully accepted; we understood that some expansion would take place during the time we lived near the airport and accepted this would happen, which it has over the years with the amount of passengers raising to the current level.

However we feel very strongly that the expansion the airport is now requesting is considerably above the acceptable levels for the local residents to have any quality of life due to the noise and pollution it would generate from both the planes and extra traffic to and from the airport. This negative impact on the lives of the local residents far outweighs any positives with regards to any extra jobs that the airport is “claiming” would be made from the expansion or any of the other benefits they are claiming will happen.

We strongly believe that the airport will use their extremely vague planning application and statistics to lie to the local residents on any issue that suits them or their application and would not adhere to any requirements or regulations that they should or want to; such as flight paths etc (even though their solicitor claimed in the DCO meeting this wasn't part of the application, why else would he mention this first in his opening statement; they are already lying to all the local residents regarding why the flight paths have moved closer to the North side of the NPR and the South Luton area in particular with only private jets occasionally going up the South side of the NPR).

When we moved here 30 years ago all the planes flew up the area parallel to the south Luton bypass and over the south side of capability green, some 500yds from where the planes have currently moved to. An increase to 32m passengers would only make the current unacceptable situation even worse with regards to pollution/noise etc. We are very concerned that by the airport not including any changes to the flight paths in this application and their solicitor making such a remark about them; our worry is they will then use the unannounced and probably illegal changes to the current flight paths they have already implemented and claim they are part of this application and lie to us just as they are currently doing!

Another reason we are against any further expansion of the airport is due to the increase in night flights along with the increase in noise, pollution and disturbance to sleep it will bring, again ruining the quality of life we should be able to expect irrespective of where we choose to live.

Our final point with regards to stopping the LLA Expansion is the article written by the UK Climate Change Committee in their 2023 progress report to parliament stating that... All UK airport expansion plans should be stopped; in our view especially this one!

This application should not be allowed for many, many reasons; Please, Please do not allow the deceitful & inconsiderate LLA operators to expand any further, or ruin the lives of people in and around the Luton, Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire areas even further than they currently are! You have visited the areas where we live, along with hearing all of our views; you have seen at first hand the noise and pollution they create at the current levels of operation to nearly double this existing level would be intolerable to everyone, please do not put us all through it.