From: Paul Farquharson
To: Luton Airport

**Subject:** Application Number TR020001 - Objection to Luton Airport Expansion Plans

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Following the publication of the plans in the Herts Advertiser (St Albans & Harpenden), I am writing to express my strong objection to the proposed expansion plan for Luton Airport. As a long term resident of St Albans, I believe that the expansion plan in its current form will have detrimental effects on our community, mental and physical health and the environment

First and foremost, the proposed expansion plan raises concerns about increased noise pollution in our neighborhood. The anticipated increase in air traffic and the construction activities associated with the expansion are sure to disrupt the already noisy planes that pepper the current skies around St Albans and I'm regularly woken by planes flying at around 11:20 most days. The expansion plans are unviable in todays world where planes are not yet environmentally friendly and pollute both the air equality and noise levels. This not only impacts the quality of life for residents but also poses potential health risks, especially for those living in close proximity to the airport.

Additionally, I am deeply concerned about the environmental impact of this expansion. Luton is surrounded by natural habitats and green spaces that contribute to the overall well-being of the immediate community. The expansion threatens to encroach upon these areas, leading to irreversible damage to the local ecosystem. Furthermore, the increased carbon emissions from additional flights will contribute to climate change, a global issue that we must actively address.

Furthermore, the expansion plan fails to adequately address the transportation infrastructure required to support the anticipated growth in passenger traffic. Traffic congestion in and around the airport is already a significant issue, and this expansion without proper infrastructure improvements will exacerbate the problem.

I urge you to reconsider the expansion plan and seek alternative (Gatwick has long needed an extra runway or develop more high speed trains across UK to EU countries) solutions that prioritize the well-being of our community, the environment, and the sustainable growth of the airport. It is essential that the voices and concerns of residents like me are taken into account in the decision-making process.

I am open to participating in any public hearings or discussions regarding this matter to further express my objections and work towards a solution that benefits everyone involved. Please keep me informed about any upcoming meetings or opportunities for community input.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I hope that you will carefully consider the concerns raised by residents like me and make decisions that prioritize the long-term health and happiness of our community.

Sincerely,

Mr P Farquharson