

Open Floor Hearing 2 – SLAE submission. <https://youtu.be/976tn60NwXA>

The latest LR/LBC promotional video starts with 39% of young people in poverty, 8.5% unemployed, I think Robin said earlier 24,000 households or 32.4k households accessing support, I'm not sure exactly, 23% of primary children haven't eaten breakfast today.

We must do something about this, SLAE agree, but we don't need the expansion to do this.

Our current political party have been in power since 2007 (appendix 1) to do something. In 2007, 14,000 children were in poverty (appendix 2), 87th most deprived out of 326 local authorities (Appendix 3). Unemployment was 4.5% (Appendix 4), but now it's 8.5%. They have had 16 years to sort this out 16 years where they have been the major shareholder off the airport.

SLAE support the statements that LR made in this video, we all want what is best for Luton. We can all see the 2040 vision; we want the jobs and additional funding for charities. We agree we want the economic prosperity, innovation, benefits and agree with Nick Platts about the environment impacts, best, by UK airports. But no expansion is better.

I mentioned 2007, and then the airport had 9.9 million passengers per year (Appendix 5), so at 18 million / 19 million capacity it's almost double, why wasn't poverty and all the good important things done between 2007 and 2016 when the airport owed no money, and now, 16 years since 2007.

Why hasn't that happened? A single airport, low cost which encourages in poverty working wages in nature, and a single point of failure for money, industry and jobs as demonstrated during covid, when the council bailed out their airport company.

Those in business, if they were to read the latest financial submission from Luton Rising, would wonder how the funding case has got this far. If Luton Town F.C submitted such a financial plan, the new ground would never have gained support.

We must all do something about this. It's in our own hands, a Luton where everyone can thrive. In a competitive airport expansion market, not by taking a punt on the future

Of the 19 people that have spoken on this latest promotional video, less than a handful actually registered to be represented by this inquiry and that's out of 1,603 people that did.

Appendix:

1. [BBC NEWS | Election 2007 | Local Council Elections | Luton council](#) and [Local Elections Archive Project - 2007 - Luton \(andrewteale.me.uk\)](#) (both accessed 30/11/2023)
2. [Framework for Information and Advice \(and Advocacy\) Strategy \(luton.gov.uk\)](#)
<https://democracy.luton.gov.uk/cm5public/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=b8f5L41zknI3FXDFofcP5qeHw4AhpVC%2B0ob9D8BVGUNeywkaEQ6K4A%3D%3D&rUzwRPF%2BZ3zd4E7lkn8Lyw%3D%3D=pwRE6AGJFLDNlh225F5QMaQWctPHwdhUfcZ%2FLUQzGA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3D%3D&mCTIbCubSFfXsDGW9IXnlj%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&kCx1AnS9%2FpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2BAJvYtyA%3D%3D=ctNJf55vVA%3D&FgPIIEJYlotS%2BYGoBi5oIA%3D%3D=NHdURQburHA%3D&d9Qjj0ag1Pd>

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3. [Framework for Information and Advice \(and Advocacy\) Strategy \(luton.gov.uk\)](https://democracy.luton.gov.uk/cm5public/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=b8f5L41zknI3FXDFofcP5qeHw4AhpVC%2B0ob9D8BVGuNeywkaEQ6K4A%3D%3D&rUzwRPf%2BZ3zd4E7Ikn8Lyw%3D%3D=pwRE6AGJFLDNih225F5QMaQWcTPhwdhUfCZ%2FLUQzgA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3D%3D&mCTIbCubSfXsDGW9IXnlG%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&kCx1AnS9%2FpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2BAJvYtyA%3D%3D=ctNJff55vVA%3D&FgPIIEJYlotS%2BYGoBi5oIA%3D%3D=NHdURQburHA%3D&d9Qjji0ag1Pd993jsyOJqFvmyB7X0CSQK=ctNJff55vVA%3D&WGewmoAfeNR9xqBux0r1Q8Za60lavYmz=ctNJff55vVA%3D&WGewmoAfeNQ16B2MHuCpMRKZMwaG1PaO=ctNJff55vVA%3D)
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4. [Microsoft Word - 2011-08-27 FPS Background v2 010911.docx \(luton.gov.uk\)](https://www.luton.gov.uk/Council_government_and_democracy/Lists/LutonDocuments/PDF/Consultation/Strategy%20and%20policy%20documents/Family%20poverty%20strategy/Family%20Poverty%20Strategy%20Draft%20-%20background%20info.pdf)
https://www.luton.gov.uk/Council_government_and_democracy/Lists/LutonDocuments/PDF/Consultation/Strategy%20and%20policy%20documents/Family%20poverty%20strategy/Family%20Poverty%20Strategy%20Draft%20-%20background%20info.pdf (accessed 30/11/2023, 5th paragraph, page 3 under the sub header 'Economy').
5. [Annual Monitoring Report Cover 2007.pdf \(london-luton.co.uk\)](https://www.london-luton.co.uk/LondonLuton/files/15/15921f54-66c3-4b9c-b7e7-c194035c5431.pdf) <https://www.london-luton.co.uk/LondonLuton/files/15/15921f54-66c3-4b9c-b7e7-c194035c5431.pdf> Executive Summary, page 1. (accessed 02/12/2023)