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I submit my written contribution as in my address to the Open Floor Hearing 27th November 2023.

Please also refer to my longer submission for a fuller discussion of the points raised, which was not limited by the time constraints, at the above.


I strongly object as follows:

### **Noise**

I live a mile from the runway. I am disturbed night and day and my sleep is affected. 6.30 a.m. flights regularly wake me. I am often unable to hear due to aircraft noise. At peak times planes pass every few minutes. Doubling passengers will double the disturbance. My area is NOT

covered by the insulation scheme.

### **Air Pollution**

 Luton is one of the most polluted towns in England, due to the airport, the MI and traffic. You can at times smell fuel that has been dumped, though the airport denies this.

Hertfordshire County Council recently started “Air pollution is one of the biggest health risks in the UK.. There is no safe exposure...it can cause respiratory infections, heart disease, lung cancer, and premature death”. I am thus affected - any growth will exacerbate this.

### **Light Pollution**

Breachwood Green is lit up by the airport lights at

nights, damaging peace, sleep, and affecting local wildlife.

### **Mental Health**

My peace and state of mind are already affected by the airport

### **Global Warming**

Doubling flight numbers, will double emissions. Worldly, catastrophic weather events are already affecting people. It is our children's and grandchildren's future.

Luton Council declared a Climate Emergency. The UK Committee for Climate Change states aviation growth must be halved to meet Net Zero by 2050.

### **Environmental Destruction**

Wigmore recently won an award for the most wildlife-rich park in the UK. It's a haven for wildlife and endangered flora, with mature trees.

A new park won't replace a green space developed over decades.

### **Risk**

Wigmore Park and the Airport's perimeter were built on the former Luton Dump, burying hazardous materials causing methane.

Moving tons of materials is hazardous. Luton topography makes it unsuitable for an airport.

### **Traffic**

Rural lanes are not geared up for additional traffic.

The M1, A505 and Lower Luton Road frequently

suffer traffic jams. 13 million more passengers a year will make this, and pollution significantly worse.

### **Economic Benefits**

The Luton Council is loudly promoting the economic benefits of the airport. They predict massive numbers of new jobs locally, to encourage support, but this is disingenuous. Most jobs are specialist and not available to locals.

### **Conflict of Interests**

Luton Council owns and finances the airport. Is this not a clear conflict of interests when they decide on expansion.

### **Opposition**

The local MP, the County and Local Councils (other than Luton) all oppose this expansion.

### **Conclusion**

I am totally opposed to the proposed expansion, as it adversely affects my health, sleep, well-being and mental health, is disastrous for the environment, the necessity to reduce emissions and global warming.

With thanks,  
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Sent from my iPhone