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**Ref:** Planning Inspectorate Ref. TR020001

Dear Ms. Dowling,

**Application by London Luton Airport Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the London Luton Airport Expansion – Rule 8 Letter: Deadline 6 Submission**

I write in respect of the above-mentioned Development Consent Order. Please find attached the following documents:

- Buckinghamshire Council's comments on Further Deadline 5 submissions;
- Updated PADSS; and,
- Post-hearing submissions including written submissions of oral cases.

Turning to other matters:

**Statement of Common Ground (SoCG)**

Buckinghamshire Council (the Council) has been working with the Applicant to provide a further review of the draft SoCG. The Applicant's intention is to submit an updated SoCG at Deadline 6 in line with the Rule 8 letter.

**Unaccompanied Site Visits**

The Council welcomes the further site inspection by the Examining Authority (ExA) to Buckinghamshire that took place on 30 November 2023. In the Council's submissions to the ExA as part of the DCO Examination, the impact to the Buckinghamshire villages of Long Marston and Marsworth has been referenced. It is respectfully requested that the ExA visits these villages.

**Action Points from the Issue Specific Hearings**

*Action Point 28 - Issue Specific Hearing 7 (ISH7) on traffic and transport matters, including surface access*

The outline TRIMMA is addressed in the Council's comments on the further D5 submissions.

*Action Point 34 – Issue Specific Hearing 7 (ISH7) on traffic and transport matters, including surface access*

It is understood that construction traffic will not use roads within Buckinghamshire which the Council welcomes. In the event that the Applicant changes this, the Council wishes to reserve its position to make further representations given the cumulative impacts that would arise from existing construction traffic in Buckinghamshire associated with, in particular, High Speed 2 and East-West Rail. In addition, the Council would also wish to be a member of the Traffic Management Working Group should it be identified at any point that construction traffic would use roads within the administrative area of Buckinghamshire.

*Action Point 13 – Issue Specific Hearing 8 (ISH8) on environmental matters, health and communities*

The matters relating to health are addressed in the Council's Post-hearing submissions including written submissions of oral cases.

*Action Point 19 – Issue Specific Hearing 10 on the draft Development Consent Order*

The Council wrote to Luton Rising on 07 December 2023 to request a draft S.106 agreement as it is understood that the legal agreement has only been shared with the host authorities. The Council is awaiting a response from Luton Rising and will provide an update to the ExA on this matter at Deadline 7. The Council notes the deadline for submission of Planning Obligations.

It is noted that a number of Action Points in ISH9 and ISH10 regarding Green Controlled Growth (GCG) were directed to the host authorities, as they will be members of the ESG and Technical Panels. The Council maintains interest in the further development of GCG; should the ExA raise further written questions on this, we would welcome the opportunity to respond.

I trust that this submission for Deadline 6 clearly sets out the position of Buckinghamshire Council in respect of this Development Consent Order for the expansion of London Luton Airport.

Yours sincerely,

*Steve Bambrick*

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