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Tom Henderson BDB Pitmans On behalf of the Applicant

Your Ref:

Our Ref: TR020001

Date: 23 January 2024

Dear Mr Henderson

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) Section 89 The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 6(3)

Application by London Luton Airport Limited for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed London Luton Airport Expansion Project

Request for 'other meeting'

Thank you for your emails of 18 and 22 January 2024 [AS-160] suggesting that an 'other meeting' under Rule 6(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 may be necessary to enable you to state your case, and explore and clarify respective positions in respect of the Examining Authority's schedule of changes to the draft DCO [PD-018] and the effect that these may have on deliverability of the Proposed Development.

As the purpose of the meeting would be for the ExA to consider oral representations, in light of section 91 of the Planning Act 2008 the ExA is of the opinion that such a meeting would need to be a hearing. Given the time remaining within the Examination, the ExA are also of the opinion that reasonable notice could not be given to ensure that all parties would have a fair chance of being able to attend/ participate in such a meeting. Moreover, having reviewed the application documentation, matters examined at the Issue Specific Hearings, responses to written questions and requests for further information, the ExA is satisfied that it is aware of the Applicant's concerns around project deliverability. Therefore, the ExA do not agree to your request for an 'other meeting'.

However, if you still consider it necessary, the ExA do invite you to expand in writing, at any of the remaining deadlines, your concerns that the suggested

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changes would 'disproportionately impact on the delivery of expansion for which consent is sought' and 'that the nature of these matters extends beyond DCO drafting points into issues of project deliverability', so that the ExA can take any further points you may wish to make into consideration when making its final recommendation.

Should you have any queries regarding the content of the letter, please contact the case team using the details at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Jo Dowling

Lead Member of the Examining Authority

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