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I am responding, on behalf of the Stop Low Flights From Luton Campaign group to Luton Rising's letter of 19 August 2024 regarding the London Luton Airport Expansion project (reference number TR020001).

There is much in this 53 page letter which is troublesome and with which we disagree. However, in the interests of brevity, there is one area in particular with which we have serious concerns.

Luton Rising has modelled the noise impacts and future noise limits on its faster growth case, rather than a more reasonable core growth case. Indeed, Luton Rising has modelled a reduction to 85% of the faster growth case noise levels, instead of focusing on the noise levels associated with the core growth case. This point is covered in the Noise section headed A3.6 Paragraph 11 on PDF page 41 of Luton Rising's 19 August letter.

This modelling of a reduction in noise levels to 85% of the faster growth case is still far too aggressive. What Luton Rising should be doing is to base all of its environmental and emissions limits in the Green Controlled Growth (including the noise contour limits, particularly at night) on the core growth case. This would also serve to reduce the impact of surface transport, another key weakness in Rising's case for the expansion of the airport.

Luton Rising must further reduce the basis for environmental and emissions limits to those based on a more acceptable central growth case. Currently, the likely noise, pollution and ground traffic implications of the aggressive case outlined in the 19 August letter would be unacceptable to rural residents in the Harpenden and North St Albans area.

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