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 Matt Thomson

 To:
 Luton Airport

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 Planning

Subject: RE: Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 - Application by

London Luton Airport Ltd - Request for information dated 27 September 2024

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#### Dear Rammiel.

Thank you for the confirmation of receipt. I don't suppose there is any response with regard to our expression of interest in extending the deadline for this RFI? I understand that the Applicant is also seeking an extension in relation to the s.85 CROW Act matter, suggesting 1 November as an alternative.

Many thanks for any assistance you can provide.

Kind regards,

Matt

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#### Good Afternoon Dr Thompson

Thank you for your email, I can confirm receipt of your comments. These will be forwarded to the Secretary of State and published on the project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website in due course.

#### Kind Regards

### Rammiel Burnie He/Him



#### Rammiel Burnie | Case Officer

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#### Dear Sir/Madam

Further to my email to you below, receipt of which was acknowledged by Rammiel Burnie, I am writing with a short update by way of a holding submission in relation to the Request for Information dated 27 September 2024. It is necessary for me to communicate today, since I am unavoidably out of the office on Friday.

While we have been able to join discussions with both the Applicant and Natural England (separately so far), we have not been able to reach agreement as to enhancement measures that could be brought forward in respect of that request. This is perhaps understandable given the complexity of the issues, the need for constructive liaison between the organisations, and for sign-off within each organisation, given the short timescale proposed (the deadline of Sunday 13 October).

Given that agreement has not been reached (and without prejudice to any assumption that we will be able to reach agreement, with the best of intentions), and that no indication has yet been given by the Examining Authority about the potential to extend the above deadline, we submit the following in terms of what the officers of the Chilterns Conservation Board currently consider is needed to resolve the concerns:

- In our discussion this morning with the Applicant's representatives, we made some progress, and certainly identified current areas of agreement and disagreement, which is a good starting point.
- Our understanding of the Applicant's position is that they would welcome, as do
  we, some additional time to explore the potential for coming to an agreement.
- The timescale proposed at that meeting, and agreed between the parties
  attending, to enable further constructive dialogue without prejudicing the current
  timescales for a decision from the Secretary of State, was to seek a revised
  deadline of 1 November 2024.
- Without that additional time the officers of the Chilterns Conservation Board do
  not consider that there is sufficient opportunity to reach any kind of agreement
  that has the Board's sign-off; nor would we be able to achieve sign-off for not
  reaching an agreement, or for defining a constructive way forward in the absence
  of such an agreement.

I have copied this message to our key contacts for the Applicant and for Natural England. I am happy for both of them to share this message with their colleagues in advance of it being published by the Examining Authority.

We thank you again for your consideration, and for your patience in this matter.

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