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To: Natural England, Chilterns Conservation
Board and All Interested Parties.

Date: 11 November 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

**Application by London Luton Airport Limited (“the Applicant”) seeking
Development Consent for the Proposed London Luton Airport Expansion (“the
Proposed Development”)**

CONSULTATION SEEKING INFORMATION FROM THE CHILTERN CONSERATION BOARD, NATURAL ENGLAND AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

The [responses](#) to the Secretary of State’s consultation letter of [27 September 2024](#) have now been published.

1. Amendment of section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (“CRoW Act 2000”)

In its letter dated [1 November 2024](#), the Applicant confirmed that it did not consider that any further measures were necessary to ensure compliance with the amended section 85 of the CRoW Act 2000 for the reasons set out at paragraphs 4.1– 4.20 of its letter dated [19 August 2024](#) and paragraphs 2.2 – 2.3 of its letter dated [11 October 2024](#). However, in the Applicant’s letter dated [8 November 2024](#), they have provided suggested wording for a new article that could be added to the DCO to demonstrate the amended duty set out in section 85 of the CRoW Act 2000 is

satisfied should the Secretary of State consider this necessary. While noting the response from the Chilterns Conservation Board dated [1 November 2024](#) which the Secretary of State will fully consider before making her final decision and without prejudice to the final decision, the **Chilterns Conservation Board, Natural England** and all **Interested Parties** are invited to provide comments on the Applicant's proposed wording and welcomes views on whether this new article would ensure compliance with the CRoW Act 2000. **Natural England** are also invited to comment on the responses from the Chilterns Conservation Board and the Applicant dated 1 November 2024.

2. Any other comments

The Secretary of State invites **all Interested Parties**, if they wish to do so, to provide any other final comments on the representations received in response to her consultation letter of 27 September 2024.

Deadline for Responses

The deadline for response is **25 November 2024**.

Submissions sent by post may be subject to delay therefore your response on the information requested above should be submitted to the Case Team, if possible, by email to lutonairport@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

If you will have difficulty in submitting a response by the deadline, or difficulty in submitting a response by email, please inform the Case Team.

Responses will be published as soon as possible after the deadline on the London Luton Airport Expansion project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website at: <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/TR020001/documents>

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision on the London Luton Airport Expansion Application, and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully,

Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit