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Good evening - following a telephone call from Richard Price today I am writing to suggest that the examiners take the opportunity to inspect the condition of the runway at the former airport during the upcoming site visit.

I have been told by a normally reliable source that a serving commercial pilot says that the runway is in poor condition - in part as a result of the training flights that were a regular feature of operations before the airport finally closed. This is apparently because with the repeated touchdowns and takeoffs the aircraft tyres did not have time to cool and as a result regularly pulled chunks out of the surface.

If the runway is indeed in poor condition it would require significant additional investment in order to allow the proposed atms - even at the lowest end of the extremely flexible range of possible figures.

With thanks and kind regards

Alan Welcome