

Application by Gatwick Airport Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project (Ref: TR020005)

Examining Authority's note of Unaccompanied Site Inspection 1 (USI1): Environs of the application site and wider area - 10 to 12 October 2023

Background

This note is a brief record to inform the Applicant, Interested Parties and any other parties of the actions taken by the Examining Authority (ExA).

The ExA undertook an Unaccompanied Site Inspection (USI) on Tuesday 10 October, Wednesday 11 October and Thursday 12 October 2023. The USI took place by car or on foot, from public roads and public rights of way. The routes were planned having regard to the Applicant's application documents and the USI enabled the ExA to obtain views of, and to become familiar with, the application site and surrounding area.

The ExA (or a combination of its members) will undertake further USIs in due course.

Particulars of the USI

Day 1 - Tuesday 10 October 2023

Weather: Sunny.

Visibility: Good.

Day 1 of the USI was attended by all ExA panel members (Kevin Gleeson (Lead), Jon Hockley, Neil Humphrey, Phil Brewer and Helen Cassini), along with George Harrold the Case Manager. The following locations and/ or viewpoints were visited:

- Sussex Border Path to the north of the Airport.
- North Terminal Forecourt.
- Landside areas of the North Terminal.
- Use of inter-terminal shuttle service between North and South Terminals.
- South Terminal Forecourt.
- Landside areas of the South Terminal including Gatwick Rail Station.
- South Terminal multi-storey car parks.
- Riverside Garden Park and Gatwick Stream.
- Church Meadows.
- Horley Conservation Areas.
- A23.
- South Terminal Long Stay Car Park.
- M23 Spur.
- Airport Way.
- Perimeter Road North.
- North Terminal Long Stay Car Park.

Day 2 - Wednesday 11 October 2023

Weather: Sunny with some light cloud.

Visibility: Good.

Day 2 of the USI was attended by all ExA panel members. The following locations and/ or viewpoints were visited:

- Povey Cross Road.
- River Mole.
- Charlwood Road.
- Charlwood Conservation Area, Charlwood.
- Public Right of Way 325, West of Gatwick.
- Russ Hill.
- Newdigate.
- Capel.
- Leith Hill.

Day 3 – Thursday 12 October 2023

Weather: Cloudy with occasional light rain.

Visibility: Mixed, largely reasonable.

Day 3 of the USI was attended by all ExA panel members. The following locations and/ or viewpoints were visited:

- Charlwood Road, south side of the Airport.
- Lowfield Heath.
- Rowley Farm/ City Place.
- Crawley.
- Burstow Conservation Area.
- Fernhill.
- Pentagon Field.
- Balcombe Road.
- Gatwick Rail Station, Public Rights of Way and station environs.

End of USI1