

Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project

Report: Details of agenda items on which attendees wish to speak and/ or points they wish to make at the Preliminary Meeting

Note:

This report presents the written submissions made at Procedural Deadline A using the Event Participation Form regarding agenda items on which an attendee wishes to speak and/ or points they wish to make at the Preliminary Meeting (PM), where this information was provided alongside their event attendance request.

Several of the submissions made relate to views on the merits of the submitted application. Interested Parties should note that there will be no opportunity to discuss the merits of the application at the PM, as the PM is for the discussion of procedural matters only. The Examining Authority will not be considering the merits of the application until the Examination has commenced, following the conclusion of the PM. The information in this report has been published at this stage in the interests of transparency only.

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Ed Higgs

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Agenda items 1 & 3. I would like to understand the assumptions that will be made on airline fleet profiles and the mix of SAF. Next generation aircraft using SAF would mitigate environmental impact of the proposal.

Matthew Collins

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

I wish to speak about the Agenda Item that is missing from the Agenda. At no point in any of the documentation produced is Safety mentioned. It is such a fundamental aspect of the submission that I am frankly staggered that it does not feature in the Agenda of items to receive special attention.

Sally Pavey, CAGNE

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Timing - lack of between hearings for communities to assess and respond. UCI - lack of scope of the visits to date. When can formal documents be submitted on specific topics and those outside of what PINS detail? We request a table at the hearing.

Gatwick Airport have highly skilled teams of staff working on this project 24/7 whereas residents/ communities are endeavouring to keep pace and understand the process, we therefore request to ensure that we have a full opportunity to respond that more time between hearings be permitted; visits to the sites of impact/ development are not far-reaching enough to allow inspectors to evaluate the full impact of a new runway; why are there not specific sessions on climate change, flooding/sewage, and air quality?; demand that CAGNE be permitted to attend the site visit to represent communities/ environment (7th March) to ensure Gatwick Airport management do not have undue influence over the PINS).

Nicola Peel, The Willows Lakeside Retreat

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Against the runway expansion. Points 1) Noise over the National park affecting my business 2) not compatible with any Net Zero target or the Paris Accord

Jane Shufflebotham

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Initial Assessment of Principal Issues - Climate change, air quality and ecology

Edward Richards

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Compulsory purchase/compensation

Stephen Clarke

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

We consider that there should be an issue specific hearing about the impact of this development on climate change. The UK will have little chance of reaching its legally binding climate target of net zero by 2050 if the aviation industry continues to expand airport capacity as they hope to do so. The amount of additional carbon that will be directly caused by the increased number of planes that will fly from Gatwick if this application is approved means that this passes the threshold test of causing a significant impact on the UK Government's ability to reach these targets. Other planning inquiries (such as the one considering Bristol Airport's plans) had separate hearings to consider evidence on the extra carbon and its impact on the climate. It is imperative that this DCO does as well. In addition, there needs to be a cumulative impact assessment of the impact of all the airports in the UK that currently have plans to expand. all the

Jill Sutcliffe

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Climate change, Environment, Noise, Local impacts

Patricia Lynn Routledge

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Noise currently of low flying, landing aircraft into the prevailing wind 3 mins apart. This is noise hell now. This proposal, which will enable 100,000 extra flights a year is untenable, unreasonable and allows no consideration to those affected on the ground. All additional landing aircraft will arrive over Lingfield/Dormansland and this aspect is being ignored! We cannot sleep as aircraft are scheduled to arrive all through the night. In summer we cannot open our windows for ventilation (in temperatures sometimes in excess of 30c) and we cannot enjoy our gardens because of screaming, decelerating aircraft making conversation impossible and 3 mins apart. This is now. Gridlocked roads, no enforcement of traffic speed restrictions, airlines who attract their passengers (Easyjet, Ryan Air etc) from all over the country passing viable local airports on their way to Gatwick. Multiple flights/holidays taken each year passing East Midlands, Birmingham, Stanstead, Luton and even Heathrow taking advantage of phoney cheap flights. Clogging M25 with traffic and all feeder roads from the north, south, west and east. Lingfield is used as a cut through from Kent! This is now! A consultation was undertaken naming Heathrow as the best option for an additional runway. The result is being ignored and again our more rural villages are fighting Gatwick expansion perhaps without the clout of West London. Pollution from aircraft, passenger traffic and any uplift (debatable) in staffing levels will severely impact our communities and its poor infrastructure. An emergency runway is what it says it is for an emergency! This is a deceitful ploy by Gatwick implying there is an existing 2nd runway. What happens if permission is granted and a runway built do they then apply for another emergency runway which will eventually be promoted as a 3rd runway? This is how commercial enterprise works so please wise up! According to Gatwick's unsolicited propaganda: Additional jobs. Our reply all low grade and to become automated. Add to region's economy. Our reply the UK should not be encouraging rampant consuming. Multiple flights/ holidays abroad per year which is a drain not a gain to the UK economy. Connections: Our reply Gatwick is a holiday airport not a hub. Heathrow is the UK's hub. Landscaping: Our reply: After destruction. Propaganda Highway improvements: Our reply: Minimal around airport. Rural areas - poor dangerous roads, poor infrastructure. Surrey CC and Tandridge DC need to be consulted.

Gavin Stewart, Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Item C, Principal Issue 10: The Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership is primarily interested in the economic impact of the scheme and value added in terms of jobs and tourism. Current figures suggest that the expansion activity at London Gatwick would create up to 14,000 additional jobs by 2032 resulting in an annual contribution to the regional economy of £1bn in GVA. Initial analysis also suggest an additional 1.6m international arrivals per year by 2038. This increased number of inbound tourisms could contribute an additional £1.9bn by 2028. We are also aware of projections which place trade volume at 27% higher, with additional imports facilitating over £2.08bn of additional GVA by 2038.

Ian Gurling, Warnham Parish Council

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Waste management, local reduction in air quality, provision of affordable housing, schools and public services, climate change

Cllr Jonathan Essex

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

On the availability of key information from GAL to enable full participation in the DCO by all parties (including air pollution model, traffic and surface transport model, 2023 staff survey, flooding model, water abstraction details) and ii) the lack of climate change, flooding and other environmental aspects to be covered in the first round of issue specific hearings - including to address this information shortfall at the earliest stage in the examination process.

Marie Killip, Mole Valley District Council

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Item 5 - Period of examination

Mrs Ellen Gilbert, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Item 3 - Initial assessment of principal issues

Christopher Bate, National Highways

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

National Highways can confirm that it intends only to make oral submissions in response to any queries raised, or potential responses to the Applicant's submissions in relation to National Highways' submissions in its letter sent via separately.

Marathon Asset Management MCAP Global Finance (UK) LLP

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Our Client has submitted Relevant Representations to the Examining Authority. Our Client has had no meaningful correspondence or engagement from the Applicant with regards to its concerns as to the impacts of the Application/Project on its property and hotel business operated therein, including issues of compulsory acquisition of its land. We therefore cannot commit categorically at this stage but set out our intention to potentially speak on Items 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The principal issues of concern for our Client are the compulsory acquisition and temporary possession of its land and rights, impacts of the Project on the surrounding landscape and visual effects to our Client's property, impacts of the Project noise and vibration on our Client's property and the hotel operated therein, associated social, economic and land use considerations and impacts on traffic and transport affecting our Client's property and hotel operated therein. Our Client will also be registering to attend various Issue Specific Hearings, requesting a compulsory acquisition hearing and suggesting locations for the accompanied site inspection and so will be making reference to the Draft Examination Timetable.

Ben Benatt

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Policy and extent of the proposed works

Initial Assessment of Principle Issues, Procedural Decisions and Draft Timetable

Peter Barclay, GACC

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Item 3, Item 5 1. In summary, GACC's main areas of concerns with the proposed procedure for the examination are as follows: Omission of key issues from first round of Issue Specific Hearings; Failure by GAL to release Key Data Sets, Models and Assumptions before the Examination Period Commences; Outstanding requests from earlier GAL-led consultations in 2021 and 2022 and missing supporting information; Timing interaction between written representations and Issue Specific Hearings; and Process to prioritise topics within ISH sessions.

Michael Bedford KC, on behalf of West Sussex County Council, Crawley Borough Council, Mid Sussex District Council, Horsham District Council, Surrey County Council, Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, East Sussex County Council

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Items 2-6 (TBC)

Richard Cox, Burgess Hill Business Parks Association

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

The airport is a significant driver for the local economy.

Claudia Fisher

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

Initial Assessment of Principle Issues, Procedural Decisions and Draft Timetable

Mark Anthony Vallance

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

The former Northern Taxiway, proposed use of Northern Taxiway into operational Runway, passed idea of Hub feeder /Reliever use of Northern Taxiway

Rory Lillington, British Airways plc

Agenda items/ points to be raised:

We consider the extent of issues covered by the Issue Specific Hearings could be potentially limited and require further examination. The timetable established by the Planning Inspectorate could also warrant further consideration on its scheduling and compression of matters to enable appropriate and meaningful consultation of stakeholders.

Rory Lillington, International Airlines Group

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