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Gatwick Airport Limited

Our Ref: TR020005

**By email only**

Date: 21 February 2024

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Dear Mr Deegan

**Planning Act 2008 – Section 89; and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rules 9 and 13**

**Application by Gatwick Airport Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project**

**Procedural Decision - Notification of Hearings**

On 13 February 2024, the Applicant made a request [[AS-123](#)] to the Examining Authority (ExA) for the requirements under Rule 13(6)(a) and (b) to be amended in relation to the Open Floor Hearings and Issue Specific Hearings due to be held between 28 February and 6 March 2024 because, due to an administrative error, the Applicant's site/ public notices of the hearings were erected later than the statutory minimum 21 days prior to the hearing dates.

As the request was received after the error was made by the Applicant, it is no longer possible for the ExA to direct the Applicant to comply with the requirements of Rule 13(6)(a) and (b) as written. Therefore the ExA hereby directs, in accordance with Rule 13(6)(a) and (b), that the requirements regarding the Open Floor Hearings and Issue Specific Hearings for:

- posting and maintaining a notice of the hearings in a conspicuous place; and
- posting and maintaining a notice of the hearings in one or more places where public notices are usually posted in the area to which the proposals contained in the application relate,

must still be undertaken albeit with less than 21 days' notice.

The ExA notes that that the provisions of Rule 13(6)(c) and Rule 13(7)(a) were complied with in that notices were published in local newspapers providing more than 21 days' notice.

The Applicant is firmly reminded of its obligation to comply with the requirements of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 in respect of the notification of any future hearings.

This Procedural Decision does not affect the Examination Timetable in any way.

Yours sincerely

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**Lead Panel Member for the Examining Authority**

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