

I run a small business on Gatwick Airport. I have watched over the past 40 years how the airport has expanded. The present infrastructure is in a sorry state indeed. The present workforce can not cope. The large employers find it hard to recruit leaving big holes to fill and sadly have been unable to recruit enough staff. If we can not fill the workforce now how do these employers expect to recruit enough staff if the project gets the go ahead. The last time we had major works on the airport it was chaos. Extra traffic causing severe congestion, noise and pollution. It would not create the extra economy that is being banded about but more to the point where are all these extra people going to live. Where are the children going to go to school. How are they going to register with a GP - a service which is at breaking point already. So many people would suffer if this is allowed to continue. We do not need this project. We need the airport to take responsibility for carbon emissions and where possible reduce flights - we do not need flights going to the same destination at the same time. We do not need flights departing nearly empty so that the airline can keep a slot. If these things are taken out of the equation there would be no need for the project.