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FAO: Kevin Gleeson (Lead Member of the Examining Authority)

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Dear Mr Gleeson,

**Application for a Development Consent Order by Gatwick Airport Limited for the Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project (Ref. TR020005) – Deadline 6 Submission**

As set out in its Rule 8 letter [\[PD-011\]](#), the Examining Authority (ExA) has requested the following information of relevance to the Applicant to be submitted at Deadline 5:

- Post-Hearing submissions, including written summaries of oral submissions to the Hearings held during w/c 17 June 2024;
- Progressed draft legal agreement(s) and / or an update on progress.
- Updated draft DCO;
- Schedule of Changes to the draft DCO;
- Updated Navigation Document;
- Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010; and
- Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 5.

The following sets out the information the Applicant has supplied for this Deadline 6 in relation to each of the above requests.

**Post-hearing submissions**

The Applicant has submitted the following post-hearing submissions, including responses to the ExA's Action Points [\[EV17-018\]](#).

- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Surface Access Commitments** (Doc Ref. 10.49.1)
- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Car Parking** (Doc Ref. 10.49.2)

- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Good Design** (Doc Ref. 10.49.3)
- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Noise** (Doc Ref. 10.49.4)
- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Ecology** (Doc Ref. 10.49.5)
- **Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Draft DCO** (Doc Ref. 10.49.6)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Surface Access Commitments** (Doc Ref. 10.50.1)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Car Parking** (Doc Ref. 10.50.2)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Good Design** (Doc Ref. 10.50.3)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Noise** (Doc Ref. 10.50.4)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Ecology** (Doc Ref. 10.50.5)
- **The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Draft DCO** (Doc Ref. 10.50.6)

The following additional documents have been updated in response to the ExA's Action Points:

- **ES Appendix 14.9.7: The Noise Envelope** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3);
- **ES Appendix 5.4.1: Surface Access Commitments** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3);
- **ES Appendix 9.9.2: Biodiversity Net Gain Statement** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v4);
- **Response to Rule 17 Letter – Car Parking** (Doc Ref. 10.21 v2);

### **Updated Draft Section 106 Agreement**

The Applicant has submitted an updated **Draft DCO s106 Agreement** (Doc Ref. 10.11 v2) which is accompanied by a **Draft DCO s106 Agreement Explanatory Memorandum** (Doc Ref. 10.54).

Since the submission of the **Draft DCO s106 Agreement** at Deadline 2 [REP2-004] the Applicant has been working with the Joint Local Authorities (JLAs) to progress the draft towards agreement and this version shows the progress that has been made. The Applicant is confident that a s106 Agreement will be completed and submitted to the examination at Deadline 9 as requested by the ExA in its Rule 8 letter [PD-011].

The Draft DCO s106 Agreement Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared to explain the context behind the obligations in the draft DCO s106 Agreement and how the Applicant considers these obligations within the planning policy context. The appendices set out further information about the Gatwick Greenspace Partnership and the London Gatwick Community Fund.

### **Updated Draft DCO and Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO**

The Applicant has submitted an updated version of the **Draft DCO** (Doc Ref. 2.1 v8) which is accompanied by an updated **Explanatory Memorandum** (Doc Ref. 2.2 v6) and a **Schedule of Changes** (Doc Ref. 2.1 v4) which describes the changes made to the Draft DCO between Deadline 5 and Deadline 6.

### **Navigation Document**

The Applicant has submitted an updated version of the **Navigation Document** (Doc Ref. 1.3 v13) as part of the submission.

### Comments on Deadline 5 Submissions

The Applicant has submitted the following documents which respond, where considered necessary and / or helpful, to the submissions made by Interested Parties (IPs) at Deadline 5:

- The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to York Aviation (Doc Ref. 10.52.1);
- The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Fleet Mix Assumptions (Doc Ref. 10.52.2);
- The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to JLAs' EMG Framework Paper (Doc Ref. 10.52.3); and
- The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to GHG Comments (Doc Ref. 10.52.4)

The Applicant is mindful of the volume of information already submitted into the examination and has sought to limit the duplication of submissions it has already made on certain subjects. As such, the Applicant has not responded to every submission or point made; instead, it has responded by exception where the submission raises a new matter and/or where the Applicant considers such a response may be helpful to the ExA. Silence on an issue, therefore, should not be interpreted as agreement – but instead a recognition of the approach taken by the Applicant in this document.

### Other Documents

In addition to those documents requested by the ExA in the Rule 8 Letter the Applicant is submitting a number of updated application documents and additional documents which it considers would assist the ExA and IPs in their consideration of the application.

- **North and South Terminal Roundabouts BAU Improvement Scheme Plans** (Doc Ref. 4.10);
- **ES Appendix 5.2.4: Waste Management Signposting Document** (Doc Ref. 5.3);
- **ES Appendix 11.9.6 Flood Risk Assessment** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3);
- **ES Appendix 11.9.6: Flood Risk Assessment – Annex 7 – Culvert Assessment** (Doc Ref. 5.3);
- **ES Appendix 8.10.1: Tree Survey Report and Arboricultural Impact Assessment** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3);
- **ES Appendix 5.3.2: CoCP Annex 6 – Outline Arboricultural and Vegetation Method Statement** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3);
- **ES Appendix 8.8.1: Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v5);
- **Statement of Commonality between Gatwick Airport Limited and Statement of Common Ground Parties** (Doc Ref. 10.1 v4);
- **Statement of Common Ground between Gatwick Airport Limited and Natural England** (Doc Ref. 10.1.15 v3);
- **Supporting Noise Technical Notes to Statements of Common Ground** (Doc Ref. 10.13 v2);
- **Flood Compensation Delivery Plan Technical Note** (Doc Ref. 10.42);

- **The Historical Development of Gatwick Airport including a Review of the Extent of Past Ground Disturbance** (Doc Ref. 10.43);
- **Note on Project-Wide Habitat Loss and Replacement** (Doc Ref. 10.44); and
- **The Applicant's Position on Sections 104 and 105 of the Planning Act 2008** (Doc Ref. 10.53).

In response to comments from the JLAs, and the subsequent discussions, the Applicant has brought forward work to provide additional detail on the tree loss and replanting which will occur as a result of the Project as follows:

- A walkover survey to collate more detailed information about the existing trees across the site was carried out and is reported in the **Tree Survey Report and Arboricultural Impact Assessment** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3).
- Further internal discussions with the design and construction teams about tree removal required along the surface access improvement corridor have confirmed that the absolute worst-case scenario that is assumed in the EIA is not realistic and not all those trees will be required to be removed. Whilst still taking a conservative approach, the tree removal along the surface access corridor has been reduced as shown on the Preliminary Tree Removal and Protection Plans contained within **ES Appendix 5.3.2: CoCP Annex 6 – Outline Arboricultural and Vegetation Method Statement** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3) which are secured by DCO Requirement 28.
- Developing the planting specifications for the Museum Field Environmental Mitigation Area and detailed discussions with the safeguarding team at the airport has confirmed that a larger number of trees can be planted in this area. This planting has been included in an updated version of **ES Appendix 8.8.1: Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v5) secured by DCO Requirement 8.

The additional detail has resulted in the following updates being made:

- The **Tree Survey Report and Arboricultural Impact Assessment** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3) presents the assessment on this basis of the additional detail. Appendix J now shows that the Cawley Borough Council Local Policy CH6 has been satisfied.
- **ES Appendix 5.3.2: CoCP Annex 6 – Outline Arboricultural and Vegetation Method Statement** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v3) reflects the updated tree numbers and the Preliminary Tree Removal and Protection Plans and Preliminary Vegetation Removal and Protection Plans reflect the reduced removal of trees and vegetation.
- **ES Appendix 8.8.1: Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan** (Doc Ref. 5.3 v5) commits GAL to the proposed tree planting in the Museum Field Environmental Mitigation Area.
- **ES Appendix 9.9.2: Biodiversity Net Gain Statement** (Doc Ref 5.3 v4) reflects the updated tree numbers in the calculation of biodiversity net gain.

In response to a stakeholder request, the Applicant has submitted an updated version of the **Supporting Noise Technical Notes to Statements of Common Ground** (Doc Ref. 10.13 v2) to reflect the modelling results using post-Covid-19 traffic data.

## **Second Change Application**

The Applicant submitted notification of a proposed change to the application (the Second Change Application Notification) on 7 May 2024, comprising a **Covering Letter** [AS-145] and **Second Notification of Proposed Project Change Report** [AS-146].

As a result of ongoing engagement between GAL and Thames Water Utilities Limited (Thames Water) on the Project proposals, the Applicant has identified a need to put forward a further request to change the application to provide an on-airport Wastewater Treatment Works Facility ('Project Change 4'). This facility is being put forward by the Applicant as an alternative option to manage wastewater generated by the Project due to ongoing uncertainty regarding Thames Water's long-term wastewater treatment capacity in the local area.

The following documents have been submitted at this Deadline 6 in support of the Second Change Application:

- **Works Plans – For Approval** (Doc Ref. 4.5 v6);
- **Parameter Plans – For Approval** (Doc Ref. 4.7 v4);
- **ES Chapter 5: Project Description** (Doc Ref. 5.1 v5);
- **ES Project Description Figures** (Doc Ref. 5.2 v4);
- **Project Description Signposting Document** (Doc Ref. 8.7 v3);
- **Second Change Application Report** (Doc Ref. 10.47);
- **Second Change Application Report - Appendix A** (Doc Ref. 10.47);
- **Second Change Application Report - Appendix B** (Doc Ref. 10.47);
- **Second Change Application Report - Appendix C** (Doc Ref. 10.47);
- **Consultation Report Second Addendum** (Doc Ref. 10.48); and
- **Consultation Report Second Addendum - Appendices** (Doc Ref. 10.48).

## **Comments on Deadline 4 Submissions**

At Deadline 5, the Applicant submitted the **Response to Deadline 4 Submissions** [REP5-072]. Due to the volume of submissions received, several submissions including those relating to Air Quality, Ecology and Major Accidents and Disasters were deferred to Deadline 6. As such, the Applicant has submitted **The Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions submitted at Deadline 6** (Doc Ref. 10.51) which respond to the submissions made by Interested Parties (IPs) at Deadline 4.

## **Submission of Updated and Additional Documents**

The table below sets out the updated application documents and additional documents submitted as part of Deadline 6 for ease of reference, including the reason for submission.

<b>Updated or New Document</b>	<b>Document Title</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Reason for Submission</b>



Updated	Navigation Document (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 1.3 v13	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter and includes the updated and additional documents submitted by the Applicant at this Deadline.
Updated	Draft Development Consent Order (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 2.1 v8	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter and updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application in square brackets.
Updated	Draft Development Consent Order – Schedule of Changes	Doc Ref. 2.1 v4	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter and updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application in square brackets.
Updated	Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Development Consent Order (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 2.2 v6	Updated to reflect the changes made to version 7 of the dDCO submitted at Deadline 5 and version 8 of the dDCO submitted at this Deadline 6 and updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application in square brackets.
Updated	Works Plans – For Approval (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 4.5 v6	Updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application.
Updated	Parameter Plans – For Approval	Doc Ref. 4.7 v4	Updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application.
New	North and South Terminal Roundabouts BAU Improvement Scheme Plans	Doc Ref. 4.10	To support the requirement in the draft DCO to implement BAU works prior to dual runway operations.



Updated	ES Chapter 5: Project Description (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.1 v5	Updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application.
Updated	ES Project Description Figures (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.2 v4	Updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application.
New	ES Appendix 5.2.4: Waste Management Signposting Document	Doc Ref. 5.3	Committed to in Response to Rule 17 Letter – Waste Management Assessment submitted at Deadline 5 <a href="#">[REP5-070]</a> .
Updated	ES Appendix 14.9.7: The Noise Envelope (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v3	Updated in response to Action Point 13 from ISH8.
Updated	ES Appendix 5.4.1: Surface Access Commitments (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v3	Updated in response to ISH8.
Updated	ES Appendix 11.9.6 Flood Risk Assessment (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v3	Updated to include a more comprehensive executive summary as requested by the Environment Agency.
New	ES Appendix 11.9.6: Flood Risk Assessment – Annex 7 – Culvert Assessment	Doc Ref. 5.3	To respond to a request in the National Highways SoCG.
Updated	ES Appendix 8.10.1: Tree Survey Report and Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Parts 1-6) (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v3	Updated to provide a more precise calculations based on additional surveys and detailed tree planting proposal and additional information on veteran trees.
Updated	ES Appendix 5.3.2: CoCP Annex 6 - Outline Arboricultural and Vegetation Method Statement (Parts 1-6) (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v3	Committed to in the Applicant's Response to Deadline 3 Submissions <a href="#">[REP4-031]</a> and updated to reflect changes to tree removal numbers.



Updated	ES Appendix 8.8.1: Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (Parts 1-3) (clean and tracked versions)	Doc ref. 5.3 v5	Updated to reflect the increase in tree planting and in response to Action Point 21 from ISH8
Updated	ES Appendix 9.9.2: Biodiversity Net Gain Statement (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 5.3 v4	Updated to reflect the increase in tree planting and in response to Action Point 22 from ISH8.
Updated	Project Description Signposting Document (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 8.7 v3	Updated to reflect the works proposed in the Second Change Application.
Updated	Statement of Commonality between Gatwick Airport Limited and Statement of Common Ground Parties (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 10.1 v4	Updated to reflect changes in stakeholder position.
Updated	Statement of Common Ground between Gatwick Airport Limited and Natural England (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 10.1.15 v3	Updated to reflect changes in stakeholder position.
Updated	Draft Section 106 Agreement (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 10.11 v2	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
Updated	Response to Rule 17 Letter – Car Parking (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 10.21 v2	Updated to correct errata as identified at ISH8.
Updated	Supporting Noise Technical Notes to Statements of Common Ground (clean and tracked versions)	Doc Ref. 10.13 v2	Update committed in Deadline 5 submissions.
Updated	Flood Compensation Delivery Plan Technical Note	Doc Ref. 10.42	To respond to a request in the National Highways SoCG.
Updated	The Historical Development of Gatwick Airport including a Review of the Extent of Past Ground Disturbance	Doc Ref. 10.43	To address comments raised by IPs within the Statements of Common Ground.
New	Note on Project-Wide Habitat Loss and Replacement	Doc Ref. 10.45	Committed to the <b>Applicant's Response to Local Impact Reports</b>





			[REP3-078] submitted at Deadline 3.
New	Second Change Application Report	Doc Ref. 10.47	To detail the proposals associated with Project Change 4.
New	Second Change Application Report – Appendix A	Doc Ref. 10.47	To support Project Change 4.
New	Second Change Application Report – Appendix B	Doc Ref. 10.47	To support Project Change 4.
New	Second Change Application Report – Appendix C	Doc Ref. 10.47	To support Project Change 4.
New	Consultation Report Second Addendum	Doc Ref. 10.48	To summarise the consultation carried out in support of the Second Change Application.
New	Consultation Report Second Addendum - Appendices	Doc Ref. 10.48	To summarise the consultation carried out in support of the Second Change Application
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Surface Access Commitments	Doc Ref. 10.49.1	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Car Parking	Doc Ref. 10.49.2	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Good Design	Doc Ref. 10.49.3	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Noise	Doc Ref. 10.49.4	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Ecology	Doc Ref. 10.49.5	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	Written Summary of Oral Submissions ISH8: Draft DCO	Doc Ref. 10.49.6	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant’s Response to Actions ISH8: Surface Access Commitments	Doc Ref. 10.50.1	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant’s Response to Actions ISH8: Car Parking	Doc Ref. 10.50.2	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.



New	The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Good Design	Doc Ref. 10.50.3	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Noise	Doc Ref. 10.50.4	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Ecology	Doc Ref. 10.50.5	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Actions ISH8: Draft DCO	Doc Ref. 10.50.6	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions submitted at Deadline 6	Doc Ref. 10.51	To address comments raised by IPs that were deferred in <b>The Applicant's Response to Deadline 4 Submissions [REP5-072]</b> submitted at Deadline 5.
New	The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to York Aviation	Doc Ref. 10.52.1	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Fleet Mix Assumptions	Doc Ref. 10.52.2	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to JLAs' EMG Framework Paper	Doc Ref. 10.52.3	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Response to Deadline 5 Submissions – Response to GHG Comments	Doc Ref. 10.52.4	As requested in the Rule 8 Letter.
New	The Applicant's Position on Sections 104 and 105 of the Planning Act 2008	Doc Ref. 10.53	In response to comments raised by the JLAs.
New	Draft Section 106 Agreement – Explanatory Memorandum	Doc Ref. 10.54	As requested by the ExA and committed to by the Applicant in ISH3.

If the Applicant can be of any further assistance or the ExA considers any further clarification is required in response to the information and documentation submitted as part of this submission, please do not hesitate to contact the Applicant using the details already provided.

Yours sincerely,



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