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Shoreham Port Authority is a Trust Port which has been operating in Sussex since 1760. Our trust status means the profits we generate are reinvested in continuing to improve the Port for everyone. I am writing to confirm our organisations support for the Development Consent Order to use the existing Northern Runway in scheduled operations. For the Sussex region the economic and employment benefits are clear and we are confident Gatwick's commitment to sustainability, including the use of alternative fuels will mitigate any detrimental environmental impact. Construction in the South East is very important for driving cargo demand at the Port and we hope that our local cargo operators will have the opportunity to supply materials for the development of the runway and adjacent infrastructure. In extending the runway Gatwick will be directly supporting the continued growth of the Port and the communities we operate within, we therefore offer our full support to the proposal.