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Sent: 11 August 2024 08:51
To: Gatwick Airport
Subject: Objection to expansion of Gatwick

Dear Planning Team,

I understand you are accepting representations against the plan for Gatwick to expand the use of its emergency runway.

My objections.

- The pollution is not adequately assessed. Carbon emissions must take into account future impact following the recent High Court Case for Horse Hill.
- The pollution is visible on my paths and patio in the garden. The air is thick with dirty pollution not immediately visible to the eye.
- As a resident of Horley, the noise is often intolerable, especially at peak times which happen to be anti-social (very early in the morning and late at night). The wind is most often south westerly, which makes the noise and pollution worse for the residents of Horley.
- Further expansion is detrimental to our health and has the impact of the airport on the general health of the Horley residents been assessed. Our health compared to average must be picking up long term issues of cancers and respiratory issues.
- Gatwick should be made to invest in secondary glazing for residents being affected by the noise they are generating. Local residents do not get any fair share of the economic returns of expansion. The externalities of the airport must be financially modelled and compensation given accordingly.
- Investment in the small pocket of the south-east of England is not "levelling up" to the residents of the North and Midlands. All UK Airports should be open to fair access of government money to offer the services of airports for the people who live closer to other airports that also want to expand.
- Horley is already clogged with traffic and we endure taxi's parked in our streets waiting for their airport pick ups. They litter the streets with rubbish and human waste. Increasing airport traffic will increase this ancillary nuisance and has that been considered? I doubt Gatwick management even care about the traffic and impact on Horley residents?
- Train strikes cause misery on the roads into and out of Gatwick, as people take to cars to make the journey. The rail infrastructure is not good enough to cope with higher passenger numbers and Gatwick management have failed to consider all the implications of safety. Platform 4 at Gatwick is a hazard with staff having to herd passengers behind the safety line every day. Any more people will result in a death or life changing injuries.
- There is a recent announcement by the council to build a significant amount of new homes near Hookwood. These residents will have to endure massive disruption to their lives in living in close proximity to an ever expanding airport. Its time to decide

whether new homes (identified by Labour as an important policy goal) is more important than an expanded Gatwick at all costs.

- Road safety - the access roads from Horley to the M25 are dangerous. People in car rentals and Taxi drivers are not aware of where to go, and it's frustrating to navigate this hazard. Increasing traffic will make this more dangerous and ultimately result in more accidents and possible injuries. The plans to link the access road from the A23 to the new model airport is poorly designed and will cause many accidents. Has this road design been properly assessed by the right authority on the matter?
- Gatwick was denied a second runway at the recent and extensive Airport Commission review. Why are they hell bent on ignoring this decision? Shareholders looking for greater return should not be the main stakeholder in the decision made. All parties affected by this must be fairly represented and have their positions respected and brought into the debate.

Regards

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