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I'm writing to express a concern re apparent changes to the Gatwick flight routes.

It seems we are now having frequent flights flying [REDACTED] on apparent takeoff routes. Yesterday (19.08.24) for instance we had 4 low level flyovers within approx 2 hours.

Normally this might happen infrequently when a landing had to be aborted and a plane had to make an alternative route over residential areas whilst flying around for another attempt.

Since the application and use of the emergency runway this seems to be getting far more frequent. We have noticed planes flying over quite regularly on Sunday afternoons and it may be happening more often on other days when we have not been at home. However yesterday was particularly noticeable.

These planes are very low and the noise is great. Not only do they fly over our house and other residential streets but they are flying low over at least 2 schools, Gossops Green Primary School and The Holy Trinity Secondary school.

I am very concerned this is going to become a regular route and do not think it is at all appropriate. Personally, it will affect the quality of our lives and the value of our home, but it also affects many others and endangers pupils in the nearby schools.

It is my understanding that take off is one of the most dangerous parts of air travel and I do not think it is appropriate that it occurs over an area of high residential population and schools.

Can you assure me this aspect of the consultation is being considered?

Yours respectfully  
Helen Ford