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**Subject:** Gatwick Airport Plans for a New Runway

I have been trying to submit a response to the above, but have had problems submitting the comments on line.

I am concerned about proposals for additional runway capacity at Gatwick Airport. This is a new runway and therefore does not comply with 'Beyond the Horizons - Making Best Use of **Existing** Runways.'

I am opposed to this proposal for the following reasons and feel that none of these concerns have been properly addressed:-

- The Aircraft noise for residents (particularly at night) is unbearable, particularly in a quiet rural area. This has impacted my sleep for several years. I am horrified by the prospect of more night flights. There should be a night ban as with other airports. Additionally, the noise also overshadows enjoying outside space.
- This is a particularly beautiful area, but no consideration has been given to the impact on wildlife and the environment.
- Relevant to the above objection is the existing overcrowding of ground transport including local roads and public transport. More capacity will be required to cope with extra traffic - how will this be achieved and who will pay?
- Our air quality is already poor and I fail to see how new requirements for air quality will be met with the expansion of flights.
- The local infrastructure in terms of employment and housing will be unable to cope. We have low levels of unemployment locally so staff will have to be hired from elsewhere. Housing is scarce and expensive (both to rent and buy) so this is not a practical option for low paid workers and will impact on the existing population who already struggle to find suitable housing.
- There will be pressure on other local services such as access to schools, doctors, emergency services, water and waste management. How will this be achieved and who will pay?

This is an ill thought out and unworkable proposal which will be damaging to the area in a number of respects.

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