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To: Gatwick Airport
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Dear Sirs,

My number is 200141586

My response is as follows

1. There is no justification for building another runway at Gatwick while there is spare capacity at Stanstead.
2. The potential economic benefits claimed by Gatwick Airport Ltd, are overstated and unlikely to be achieved. It seems highly unrealistic to claim that 30,000 new jobs will be created by the view runway.
3. The Gatwick and Crawley area does not have spare labour capacity therefore airport personnel would have to travel from other areas which would put a further strain on the already overcrowded public transport and road transport networks. Despite this, Gatwick Airport Ltd have not included any proposal to spend money increasing capacity on these transport networks.
4. There is insufficient housing capacity in the Gatwick, Horley & Crawley areas to provide accommodation for large numbers of new workers at the airport for the new runway. Therefore, as stated above in point 3, there would be considerable increase in transport movements into Gatwick from areas which are more than 10 miles from the airport. This would cause further congestion & increases in pollution by vehicle movements
5. The additional flights generated by the new runway would make a severe increase in atmospheric pollution, most certainly breaching the government's already stated cap on carbon increases in the atmosphere. Furthermore, it was noted that Gatwick Airport Ltd, whilst the amount of additional carbon caused by takeoffs of flights was included, they did not include pollution caused by landings.
6. There will be no money available to increase current capacity of water supply and sewage treatment. This will make the increase of raw sewage discharge into local water courses much more likely than at present
7. Gatwick Airport's stated target is net zero by 2030 - this is clearly nonsense- there is no remote possibility of achieving this with one runway, let alone two.
8. They should be compelled to include Scope 3 to cover flights to & from the airport, as well as surface transport of incoming supplies & outgoing waste, both of which would increase dramatically.
9. There would be considerable increase in noise. A target of yearly reduction of noise by 0.5 Decibel and a ban on all night flying between 23.00 & 06.00 must be compulsory. As a Reigate resident, I am aware that there are currently regular breaches of the night flying ban. If not made legally binding & effectively policed, they will continue to increase.
10. Residents affected by aircraft noise must receive adequate compensation from Gatwick Airport Ltd, to enable full insulation of their residences. This is not promised in the Application.

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