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To: Gatwick Airport; Trevor Haylett; clive smith
Subject: Submissions for deadline 10 IP 20042180

Dear Inspector,

Please see below the Parish Council responses for deadline 8.

R17d.4 Horley Sewage Treatment Works lies around 400 meters from our Parish Boundary. On at least 9 occasions during the winter 2023/24, we saw the TW facility unable to cope with current sewage volumes, meaning untreated sewage flowed over the top of the holding tanks, forming a pond of sewage at the Westvale Park (new housing estate) playing fields. TW do have a program for upgrade, however, according to released information, the next planned upgrade for Horley will attempt to bring it up to current demand, as of today. Capacity will not be increased to meet planned future demand. As part of a recent planning application for 446 (likely to be 700) new homes at Hoodwood (within the Charlwood Parish), TW objected to the application on the grounds of capacity and requested a condition be applied if the application was granted, for funding to pay for the connection. The housing application was allowed upon appeal but the developer refused to agree to any contribution towards connection or upgrade works. The Parish Council, therefore, does not believe TW will have the funding available to complete the upgrades required to support the airport, and conclude that Gatwick must build a sewage treatment works on their own site.

R17d.8 The area known as Norwood Hill makes up part of the Parish of Charlwood. The Parish Council does not feel the application meets this criteria. Footpath 414 runs across the south side of Norwood Hill in an elevation that makes parts of the airport, and arriving and departing planes visible. Building a new runway 12 meter closer will detrimentally impact the countryside outlook from this Public Footpath, to the detriment of users. The proposed increase in number of flights and the additional built infrastructure will harm the view.

R17d.9 the Council understands the vital need for our country's obligations to abide by the Climate Change act to be met. All efforts must be made, all industries must do their utmost to support any shortfall from others. The High Court has recognised a failing of the current plan to be in line with our obligations, this means process and policies must be made robust enough to ensure that anywhere where possible, carbon emissions are reduced. Non compliance with this legal requirement would not just cause an inconvenience, it could mean the deaths of millions.

R17d.10 the Council fully supports the carbon cap scheme proposed by CAGNE. The Council sees it as clear, well laid out and helpful in keeping development in line with obligations.

R17f.7 The Applicant is weighing heavily on demand from business travellers in order to make the expansion viable. The recent approval of London City Airport expansion means business travellers will have far more options at an airport with check in times from 30 minutes short haul and 1 hour long haul. Compare this to 2 - 3 hours for Gatwick, surrounded by screaming children plus at least 1 hour travel time from London, Gatwick looks like a very poor option for business travellers. Reports state that most flights from London City airport are only 50% full, therefore there is excess capacity already.

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The Parish Council would also like to bring to the Inspectors' attention, the decision of the airport to put on hold the quarterly calls with local group made up of Parish and Horley Town Council and SCC.

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Every action, every choice, every decision.