

Northern Runway Project

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Closing Statement –

Deadline 9

Gatwick Green Limited

August 2024

Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project

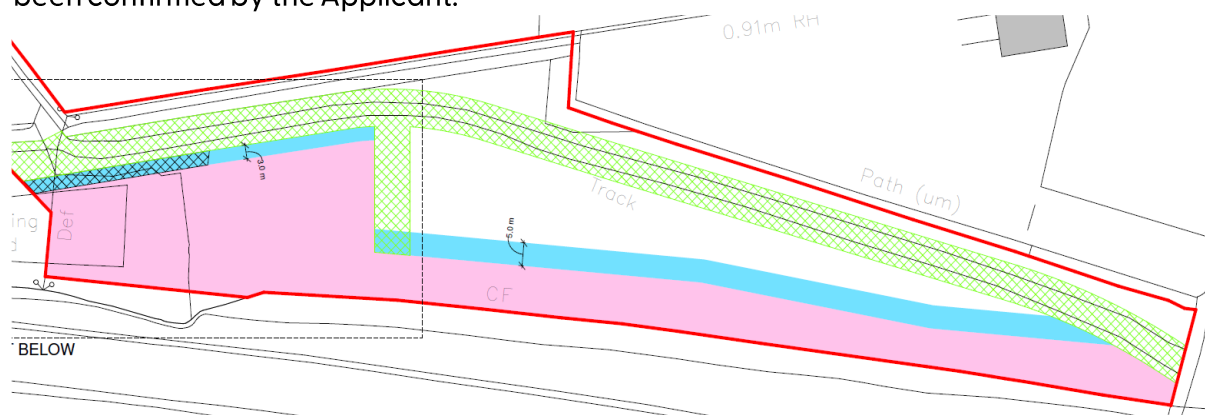
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1.0 Background

- 1.1 Gatwick Green and the Applicant have reached an agreement, in principle, for Gatwick Green to dispose of the land and rights which the Applicant needs to deliver the proposed development, noting that part of the solution lies outside the proposed Draft DCO order limits.
- 1.2 Gatwick Green note that the final date for submissions of this nature was Deadline 9 – 23rd August 2024 – but, at that time, detailed discussions were continuing with both the Applicant and National Highways.
- 1.3 Gatwick Green respectfully requests that the Examining Authority will use its' discretion to accept the late submission of this closing statement.

2.0 Summary Update

- 2.1 Following CAH2, Gatwick Green and the Applicant met with National Highways, as advised by ExA. Gatwick Green is grateful to ExA for suggesting that this meeting should take place.
- 2.2 The Applicant, in its closing submission, maintains that it is 'seeking powers over land owned by Gatwick Green to ensure that it can provide the access that National Highways require to maintain the pond and ensure that the scheme is deliverable'.
- 2.3 Gatwick Green has never sought to impede access to the balancing pond nor to impact on the deliverability of the scheme and has submitted reasonable and practical solutions to both the Applicant and National Highways.
- 2.4 Gatwick Green believes that an adequate access solution to the balancing pond has now been agreed with National Highways – see below – but this has not yet been confirmed by the Applicant.



LEGEND

- WILKY OWNED LAND
- ▨ PERMANENT RIGHTS OF ACCESS.
- ▩ EXTENT OF RIGHTS RETAINED FROM TRANSFER DATED 24.03.1977.
- LAND AVAILABLE FOR PERMANENT ACQUISITION.
- LAND AVAILABLE VIA TEMPORARY RIGHTS OF ACCESS/ USE.

2.5 Gatwick Green would ask the ExA to note that the Applicant was originally seeking around 5,566 m² of land for permanent acquisition. Based upon the latest plans, the Applicant is considering that the total area to be acquired for both permanent acquisition and temporary use is circa 4,900m², of which, the land for permanent acquisition is reduced to approximately 3,793m².

2.6 Gatwick Green has submitted amendments to the draft Heads of Terms to the Applicant but has not yet received any response.

3.0 Conclusion

3.1 Gatwick Green is grateful to the Applicant for considering a reduction in the area of land for permanent acquisition and for assisting in reaching agreement with National Highways in respect of the access to the balancing pond.

3.2 Gatwick Green is hopeful that the Applicant will agree the revised access as approved by National Highways

3.3 Gatwick Green is committed to continuing to work with the Applicant to finalise the wording of the Heads of Terms and looks forward to the provision of a draft Option Agreement for review by its' Solicitors.

3.4 Gatwick Green remains hopeful, as does the Applicant, that a voluntary agreement will be reached and believes that there is no reason why such an agreement cannot be concluded between the parties.