

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Gatwick Airport](#)
Subject: GANR Project - Total Lack of Consultation by GAL with Us.
Date: 28 August 2024 19:15:08

For Attention of Mr. Kevin Gleeson, Lead Member of the Examining Authority.

Dear Mr. Gleeson,

My wife and I attach a letter we have written to the Chief Planning Officer at Gatwick Airport. In this letter we complain about the total lack of direct consultation with us regarding the Northern Runway proposals and their adverse affect on us now. Our property [REDACTED] [REDACTED] which we have owned and occupied as a private family home since 1979, is the closest private dwelling to the development being merely metres from the current LGW boundary and runway to the northwest. The published plans found in your consultation documents have drastically adversely affected our property and land value now. Looking ahead the construction, development and operation of the Northern Runway will render our property unsaleable. This is obviously not acceptable to us.

We have since 2021 been in contact with your Inspectorate but that is not the point at issue here. We have contacted Gatwick on several occasions but were not consulted despite assurances by GANR Project Team to yourselves that they had personally consulted with all individuals who may be subject to major significant adverse effects from the Project. We have not been contacted by anyone from the Planning Team despite the fact that as individuals we will be significantly adversely affected by this Project and we are appalled.

We do not know whom else to contact regarding our now dire circumstances.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar and Marilyn Holmes.
[REDACTED]

Tim Norwood, Chief Planning Officer,
Destinations Place,
South Terminal,
London Gatwick,
RH6 0NP.

28 August 2024.

Dear Mr. Norwood,

Re: Lack of Consultation: [REDACTED] Devaluation/Gatwick Northern Runway Project.

My wife Marilyn and I, Oscar Holmes, have owned and occupied [REDACTED] since 1979. This is our private residence, built in approx. 1900. We pay our Council Tax to Crawley Borough Council.

Our property is very close to the western end of the LGW runway, barely 150 metres to the northwest. We believe we are the closest residents to the proposed development and operation of what is now known as the Northern Runway.

We are naturally horrified that the already published and submitted development, construction and operation plans have already hugely devalued our property and would probably make it unsaleable. Looking forward, the development and the operation of a Northern Runway plus taxiway, considerably closer to our property than the little used Emergency Runway, would render our home unliveable due to the increased noise and disturbance.

We have attempted to extrapolate as much information as we can from the many documents relating to this Project. We are horrified and puzzled that we have been overlooked regarding the direct individual personal consultation process. We have several questions as to why we have not been consulted about this previously nor had visits from the Planning Team or yourselves even though formal representation was made in 2021 and subsequently.

Several documents speak of this consultation including GANR Project Book 3, v.5. 11.1.4 dated August 2024 which states that all relevant residents have already been consulted ('GAL has consulted all persons affected... persons who may have a claim for compensation arising from this Project'). There are also several other documents that refer to all parties having been consulted, e.g. GANR Project Book 6, v.1. 6.2 dated July 2023. The Planning Act 2008, Section 44, subsections 1 to 5 refers to the legislation involved. In a document from the Planning Inspectorate regarding the Planning Act 2008 Pre- Application Procedure, section 47 – Community Consultation FAQs dated July 2017 FAQ 11 refers to Section 42 of the Planning Act and refers to 'Diligent Enquiry'. So where was your diligent enquiry into our property [REDACTED]

Our very close proximity to the proposals for the Northern Runway and the fact that we are longstanding residents who will be hugely affected means we should have been consulted as individuals who may have the right to a potential claim. How have we not been consulted?

We have been in contact with the Inspectorate at Bristol (Interested Party reference no. 20042134) for several years to confirm where we live and express our concerns. We have also contacted you in the past and had an informal visit at our prompting by [REDACTED] on 14 August 2024. This is the first time anyone has visited our property since 2019 with [REDACTED] after which we heard nothing. During the August 2024 visit we understood from [REDACTED] that we will be contacted again by mid-September. However, after discovering more and more information from the many online documents we would like direct contact as soon as possible.

It is without question that we are in very close proximity to the proposed development and operation of the GANR Project. It is hardly unreasonable of us to expect formal consultation now with the relevant personnel.

As it is, we are in total limbo and are finding the whole matter extremely stressful. We look forward to your rapid response to our urgent concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Oscar and Marilyn Holmes.

cc. CEO Stewart Wingate. cc. Gatwick Airport Planning Inspectorate, Bristol.