



**Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning
(Examination Procedure) Rules 2010**

**Application by Gatwick Airport Limited (“the Applicant”)
Seeking Development Consent for the Proposed Gatwick
Airport Northern Runway Scheme [PINS reference:
TR020005]**

**Response to the Secretary of State’s letter
dated 9 December 2024, requesting
information regarding Schedule 2,
Requirement 20.**

Crawley Borough Council (GATW-AFP107)

Surrey County Council (20044665)

West Sussex County Council (20044715)

The following response includes references and hyperlinks to documents contained within the [Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Examination Library](#).

Crawley Borough Council (CBC), West Sussex County Council (WSCC) and Surrey County Council (SCC) welcome and support the amendment proposed by the ExA to Requirement 20, relating to the Surface Access Commitments (SACs), and which is included in Annex A of the Secretary of State's letter dated 9th December 2024. The revised wording would provide the Authorities with a greater degree of confidence that the SACs, and in particular the mode share targets, could be delivered. This position has previously been set out in the Legal Partnership Authorities Deadline 9 submission, Consolidated submissions on the draft Development Consent Order [[REP9-147](#)]. The Authorities' position on the wording of this requirement has not changed since the examination.

However, Requirement 20 must work in conjunction with the SACs themselves and there needs to be appropriate controls to ensure ongoing compliance with the SACs modal split targets. Therefore, CBC, SCC and WSCC, as part of the Legal Partnership Authorities, submitted a document entitled *Response to the Applicant's Deadline 8 Submission – Surface Access Commitments version 5 (clean)* [[REP8-053](#)], at Deadline 9 [[REP9-150](#)]. The submission included a table of those Authorities' key concerns with the surface access commitments and an Appendix, which included the amendments the Authorities are seeking to the SACs. These amendments also included suggestions relating to the terms of reference of the TFSG. The Authorities consider that the SAC's should be replaced with the Appendix included in [REP9-150](#) (or, as a minimum, it should be changed in the light of the table of key concerns on pages 2 to 5 of REP9-150). Requirement 20 should be read in this context.

We do note that the term simultaneous operational use of the northern runway is used in the proposed Requirement 20 wording, whereas the term dual runway operations is defined and used elsewhere in the draft DCO.