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I object wholeheartedly to the emergency runway being brought into use for normal flights.

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It is only too obvious what is happening with accelerating climate change, also driven by flying.

It will increase the volume of traffic to and from the airport, ditto leading to disastrous climate change.

The recent and increasingly common incidences of gales and flooding are only one indication of impending calamities. Add to that sea level rise from climate change, the disasters increase.

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Local residents really suffer from the noise. Mitigating actions proposed will hardly do anything to help. People can't even sit in peace in their gardens.

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This noise has a negative influence on the development of children living below the flight path who deserve as much as possible to live and learn in peace. Also their delicate developing hearing is damaged.

I live in [REDACTED] and am not affected by noise as the planes go behind the village. However, with my house on a hill facing west I can see them approaching from Ashurstwood to almost when they disappear behind the trees so I know exactly which residential areas they go over.

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People's nerves are shaken under the flight path. Millions of people live under flight paths, but here it is only a money making exercise and not an essential one.

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The M23 is already very busy even with the expanded number of lanes (and the dangerous smart motorway). Increasing road traffic adds to global warming.

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An indirect but relevant humanitarian reason not to go ahead is to keep the number of visitors to popular but vulnerable tourist places down such as Barcelona.

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I am old now but fear for my family and all younger generations. We must find ways to reduce flying, such as in France where domestic flights are forbidden within a certain distance. I have family in Switzerland and Portugal who I visit each twice a year but want to try to go by train to Switzerland. It won't be easy as I need special assistance but having known about global warming and climate change for 40 years, I try to do what I can to help in the way I live.