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Gatwick Airport
Objection - formal
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Dear Sir/Madam.

I am writing to formally express my objections to Gatwick Airport's proposal to convert its existing taxiway into a second runway. This initiative appears to be a circumvention of the Airports Commission's conclusion, which, after a comprehensive and evidence-based examination, recommended Heathrow for expansion over Gatwick.

Although Gatwick's plan does not involve the acquisition of new land or the displacement of communities, the resultant environmental and societal consequences are still significant. The proposed increase in flights is likely to lead to higher carbon emissions, deteriorating air quality, and a significant rise in noise pollution. The impact of intensified noise will be particularly harmful to residents, who may experience increased stress levels, disruption of daily life, and negative effects on physical and mental health, not to mention catastrophic impact on house prices and quality of life. Such deteriorating conditions stand in stark contrast to the UK's climate commitments and threaten the overall well-being of local communities.

Moreover, the initial inquiry determined that Heathrow presented a more sustainable and effective approach to meeting the region's airport capacity needs. Attempting to revisit this conclusion by different means undermines public confidence in the credibility of long-term planning and decision-making processes.

I strongly urge you to reject Gatwick's application and prioritize investments in sustainable transport infrastructure that support the UK's environmental and social objectives.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Yours faithfully,

George McMillan



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