From:
Gatwick Airport

**Subject:** Gatwick Airport - DoT letter of 28 April 2025

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## **Dear Sirs**

As requested in the above letter, I comment as follows on the Applicant's submission of Additional Information on 24 April 2025:

- I strongly oppose expansion of Gatwick Airport.
- If the government does approve expansion, it should be subject to strict environmental, noise and other controls for the protection of local communities affected.
- In this respect I support the EA's noise insulation and surface access proposals.
- I understand that the proposed noise limits, even as amended by the SoS, do not achieve the policy requirements that the benefits of growth should be shared between the aviation industry and local communities and achieve a balance between growth and noise reduction. To achieve the policy the limits should be reduced further at a pace and to an extent that achieves a genuine sharing of the benefits of growth or the government should mandate alternative noise benefits, such as a ban on night flights.
- The planned expansion should anyway be accompanied by a ban on night flights as mandated for Heathrow.
- There should be noise limits all the year round, not just the peak summer period.
- There should be a process for renewing noise limits downwards over time.

Kind regards

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