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Dear Planning Inspectorate,

I would like to add my views to the discussion around potential expansion of Gatwick airport. I am a not-infrequent user of Gatwick - it is my preferred airport, frankly, as it is closest to where I live, which also happens to be on the flightpath, so I am aware of the noise pollution that I contribute to. In summary:

I do not support expansion of Gatwick Airport. However, if the government does come to the unwelcome conclusion that expansion should go ahead, it should be on condition that it is subject to strict environmental, noise and other controls.

To address this point in a little more detail, I do support the EA's noise insulation and surface access proposal, but the proposed noise limits, even as amended by the SoS, do not achieve the policy requirements. The policy states that the benefits of growth should be shared between the aviation industry and local communities and achieve a balance between growth and noise reduction. This can only be achieved if noise limits are reduced more quickly and to an extent that achieves a genuine sharing of the benefits of growth, and these noise limits should apply year-round, not just at the peak summer period.

In any event, any expansion should be accompanied by a ban on night flights as mandated for Heathrow.

Finally, there should be, of course, a process for renewing noise limits downwards over time.

Thank you for receiving my views on this subject.

Kind regards,

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