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I am a resident currently living under the Gatwick airport flight path. I would like to submit my comments at this late stage of the planning process.

From what I understand, despite the Planning Inspectorate's recommendation against the addition of a second runway, it is likely to go ahead after some negotiating around local traffic numbers and local noise amelioration work.

I have previously objected to the proposals on the following grounds ;

1. Emissions and pollution will increase dramatically and are against U.K. climate laws to commit us to reductions.
2. The economic benefits do not accrue to the local community at all. The U.K. economic benefits are also arguable as Gatwick is a predominantly "holiday" airport with most flights facilitation spending abroad, not in the U.K. it will therefore not benefit U.K. plc economically.
3. Current noise levels and airspace routing causes significant disruption and poor health outcomes to surrounding local communities. Such a proposed massive increase in flight numbers will make life intolerable for many. This should not be allowed on health grounds alone.
4. All surrounding public infrastructure is overloaded. Roads, housing, and health care are all under stress. Local employment levels are all high and regarded as technically "full". Therefore, adding capacity to increase employment opportunities, and growth are all wrong for this area of the South East. They will put stress and expense on all the above areas which of course fall to the taxpayer and residents to pay for.

If this plan is eventually approved by the Secretary of State and Government which I fear they will, then could they please put in some mitigations to limit the damage to surrounding communities:

1. Put in place a clear night time ban on flights. Disturbed sleep is a serious health issue and can easily be mitigated even at this stage by this simple measure which other airports adhere to.
2. Support the recommendations for local noise mitigations.
3. Place emissions limits, over time which must be met to gradually reduce climate impacts into the future.

Yours sincerely

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