From:
 Gatwick Airport

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 Subject:
 Gatwick Expansion

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Dear Inspector,

I do NOT support the expansion of Gatwick Airport.

The Environment Agency (EA) is right to set specific requirements that should be met as conditions to any planning consent. The EA as a statutory consultee imposes very specific conditions on all forms of development in the UK, and Gatwick is no exception.

Noise control limits have been abused by Gatwick in the past. Any future planning consents, conditions or enforcement of existing activities, should therefore seek to introduce tangible noise mitigation measures, including a ban on night flights, as imposed on Heathrow Airport.

Noise monitoring should be assessed constantly, with enforcement of breaches imposing a restriction on flight numbers (rather than financial penalties) until the noise levels fall to an acceptable level.

The chronic infrastructure issues surrounding Gatwick are wholly inadequate for its extant capacity. Any planning consent should insist that improvements to infrastructure become an implementable Pre-Operations Condition to any planning consent.

When there is a central government directive to use non fossil fuel-derived transport the aviation should also be party to this. One would therefore expect that Gatwick would be required to reduce its emissions. Any planning consent should have a robust and enforceable condition to restrict flight numbers if this is not being achieved.

Sincerely,

Abi Dawson