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**Gatwick Airport**

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From Patricia Fairhall [REDACTED]

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To [REDACTED]@parliament.[REDACTED]@parliament.uk&gt;

Dear Secretary of State for Transport,

I am writing to you regarding Gatwick Airport's application for a second runway. Surely if Heathrow airport is expanding that should be enough extra air traffic in this small area of the UK.

There will be a huge increase in vehicles on our already overcrowded and dangerous roads caused by travellers. Gatwick also wants to add freight, so extra vans and lorries too. The railway cannot take anymore trains, the roads are likewise at full capacity.

Gatwick say that a further 35.000 jobs will be created. This part of the country is fortunate in not needing extra employment, unlike other areas of the UK. Where would the extra workforce live? Either more vehicles on the roads or more houses on greenfield sites, with all the lack of infrastructure etc.

The noise from Gatwick is far flung, causing misery to households in Sussex, Surrey and Kent.

Throughout the day, in the summer especially, flights are every minute overhead. The sound of a plane hasn't gone before the next one arrives drowning out everything else. We don't live close to the airport and until the flight paths were changed in 2014, had no noise at all. Now some of the planes are so noisy that you can hear them indoors with all the windows closed.

Night flights are a misery for many particularly in the warmer months with windows open. I dare not think of the impact of another runway.

Labour are supposedly very green, How can you be supporting the 2<sup>nd</sup> runway as air traffic is one of the biggest polluters. Your party will undoubtedly be in favour of the huge disruption with swathes of Sussex being dug up for the Rampion 2 project to provide so called green electricity from an offshore wind farm. None of this makes any sense.

Yours Sincerely [REDACTED]

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