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PLEASE DROP THIS LETTER TO THE ETON TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE, ETON HIGH STREET BY NO LATER THAN MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER. WE WILL FORWARD THEM COLLECTIVELY TO THE HEATHROW CONSULTATION AND LBOH PLANNING OFFICER.

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REF: RUNWAY 3, HEATHROW AND HEATHROW EXPANSION

Dear Sirs/Madam

I object to the expansion of Heathrow (LHR) and especially Runway 3 on the following grounds.

NOISE

Eton is directly under the proposed flight path, and only 4 miles from Runway 3. The increased noise level will have a serious impact on my life and all those living, working and visiting the Town.

The consultation document includes a Noise Envelope, thus: "Heathrow's noise envelope is a set of legally-binding and enforceable limits and controls to manage noise in the future whilst enabling growth."

However, LHR have not conducted tests to establish the anticipated noise levels, nor defined the noise levels ETON will experience, and therefore cannot comply with its legal obligation.

POLLUTION

The National Policy Statement (NPS) sets out targets which LHR must meet. The NPS has made clear that new capacity at the airport will not be released if it would cause a compliant air quality zone to become non-compliant. The Government is starting research on ultra-fine particles from aircraft: how much they contribute to air pollution and how harmful they are to people's health.

Road traffic is the biggest cause of pollution, and yet LHR are building car parks to accommodate a further **46,000 cars**. The expansion of LHR can only produce an unacceptable increase in the volume of HGV, passenger vehicles and private cars.

LHR have not conducted tests to establish the anticipated pollution levels, nor defined the levels for a compliant air quality in ETON, and therefore cannot comply with its legal obligation.

DISRUPTION

The re-routing of motorways, rivers, railways and roads to accommodate the expansion will generate chaos on our already overstretched, local road network and create years of misery for residents of ETON and the surrounding area. Our roads will be used as 'Rat Runs' in attempts to avoid the delays and chaos.

Eton is a 600-year-old historic Town of the UK with many Grade I & II listed properties. Many of these buildings could be damaged by vibration from the vortex of low flying commercial aircraft but LHR have not defined the levels, nor conducted tests to establish the anticipated vibration levels from the vortex that ETON will experience, and therefore cannot comply with its obligations.

On all of t	hese grounds I wish to register my opposition to the	expansion of Heat	hrow and especially Runway 3
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