

CRAWLEY BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN 2040 EXAMINATION

Matter 5: Gatwick Airport

HEARING AGENDA

Wednesday 22 November 2023, Starting at 2pm.

1. Inspector's Introduction to Matter 5
2. Soundness of Local Plan policy for the existing airport and response to the 2019 Airport Master Plan, including the airport boundary as shown on the Policies Map and Borough Council's proposed modifications to Policy GAT1 (v3, 10 November 2023).

[MIQs 5.1, 5.2, 5.7, 5.8, 5.9, 5.14]

3. Timing of the submission of the Local Plan and the concurrent Development Consent Order process for the Northern Runway project – can the submitted Plan be found sound on the basis of Policy GAT1?

Potential cumulative impacts – transport.

[MIQs 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.10]

4. Soundness of the Local Plan approach to safeguarding (Policy GAT2)

(a) Principle

- (i) National policy – aviation
- (ii) National planning policy – NPPF paragraph 106 c) and f) and 2019 Airport Master Plan
- (iii) Alternative approaches

(b) Crawley Local Plan approach

- (iv) Consistency of approach to safeguarding having regard to: (a) the 2019 Airport Master Plan; and (b) the assessment process that enabled a conclusion that Gatwick Green (Policy EC4) and the area of search for a Crawley Western Multi-Modal route (Policy ST4) would not impede future airport options as opposed to other land within safeguarding area which has been discounted. (See also agenda Item (v) – over page).

- (v) Crawley Borough Council's additional paper on safeguarded land for Car Parking – York Aviation, November 2023 – Appendix A to Borough Council's Matter 5 Statement. (PS/EGSM/GA/18)
- (vi) Development within the safeguarding area – 'small-scale'
- (vii) Justification for the submitted safeguarding boundary as shown on the Policies Map, including in relation to edge of Manor Royal
- (viii) The Borough Council's proposed modifications (v3 10 November 2023) to Policy GAT2 and supporting text

[MIQs 5.16 – 5.30]

- (c) Policy DD5 – Aerodrome Safeguarding and the safe operation of Gatwick Airport: proposed factual amendments.

[MIQ 5.15]

Ends.