



VERY IMPORTANT DATES

PLEASE ATTEND – SHOW HOW MUCH IT MATTERS

2nd February 2023 – Scrutiny Committee will discuss and make recommendations to the Executive

8th February 2023 – Decision by the Executive

➤ **Both meetings will be held at the Council Chamber at 7 pm.**

When the Council granted the Airport longer operating hours in 2015, BHAL offered a number of mitigations, enclosed in two documents called Noise Action Plan (NAP) and Management Information Letter (MIL), to be reviewed every 5 years. The first review was due at the end of 2020 but was found lacking and the Council has yet to accept the submission by BHAL.

The manner in which the NAP had been drafted actually weakened the terms of the Lease rather than offer mitigation to residents.

The most important offers were:

- **Movements capped at 50,000 per annum** – this has been breached repeatedly and the totals shown to the Council have been considerably understated.
- **A new route to Runway 03 (Southern end of runway)**, which would have reduced arrivals over the most affected areas at the North and West of the airport by some 30%. It has transpired that BHAL already knew in 2015 that the route was unlikely to be approved by the CAA, nevertheless they continued to promote its deliverability to the Council and residents. It has now been formally rejected by the CAA.
- **Noise Preferential Routes to be respected** – they are not, which is a breach of the Lease.
- **Helicopters to avoid noise-sensitive areas** – they do not, and BHAL are trying to change this requirement.
- **Noise measures to be tightened** – on the contrary, they have been loosened and made “average.”

In other words, BHAL have enjoyed a 24% increase in hours, that has brought in much larger aeroplanes, but residents have had **NONE** of the promised mitigations. The rejection of the new route to R03 by the CAA is the last straw and a game changer.

PLEASE WRITE TO THE COUNCIL TO:

1. **Reject the current NAP Review on 8th February and negotiate a revised NAP**
2. **Suspend the extended hours until the revised NAP is fully agreed**
3. **Involve Flightpath Watch in the negotiations to represent the residents**

Make the above points to:

christopher.marlow@bromley.gov.uk, Portfolio Holder

simon.fawthrop@bromley.gov.uk, Chairman of the ERC Scrutiny Committee

Your ward councillors (google Councillors, London Borough of Bromley if you do not know who they are)

C.C. colin.smith@bromley.gov.uk, Leader of the Council

Please print this leaflet and deliver it to as many as you can (we suggest 10 each). THANK YOU

**NOT ANOTHER SUMMER OF AVIATION HELL
(FLIGHTS EVERY 6 MINUTES IN JULY 2022)**

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