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The Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP
Secretary of State for Transport
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Great Minster House
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Dear Grant,

You will be aware of the growth proposals included within Gatwick Airport's Masterplan, which affect our constituencies. As members of the Gatwick Co-ordination Group, we represent communities around the airport who are affected by its operations. There are considerable strains on infrastructure in Sussex, Surrey and Kent and as a result we would like to request that as a nationally important infrastructure project, all growth plans are subject to appropriate scrutiny and consultation with communities.

Irrespective of the merits or otherwise of further growth at Gatwick, it is essential, especially in the current climate, that the benefits and adverse impacts of any material growth at the airport are scrutinised by the relevant planning authorities or government department. In the case of Gatwick Airport, proposed growth on its main runway alone would amount to a 33% increase in passenger numbers and we have deep concerns at the ability of local infrastructure to cope with these figures.

As a result we would request that, in line with the governments 'Making Best Use of Existing Runways' guidelines, you outline how this growth will be appropriately scrutinised as it would exceed the threshold, in this document, of an additional 10 million passengers per annum using the airport. It is essential that this growth only happens with significant investment in the local infrastructure and we look forward to hearing how this will be achieved.

Best wishes,

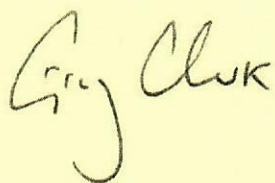
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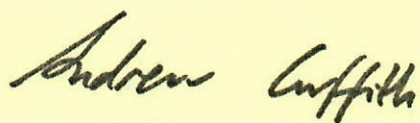
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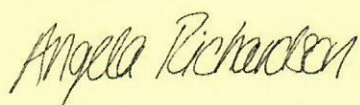
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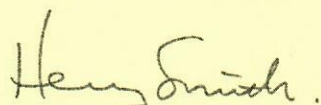
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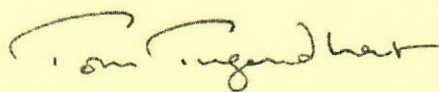
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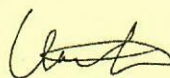
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