

EXAMINATION OF THE LONDON SOUTHEND AIRPORT AND ENVIRONS JOINT AREA ACTION PLAN (JAAP)

INSPECTOR'S FURTHER QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCILS

I have received the Councils' response to my initial questions regarding the duty to co-operate, consistency with national policy and deliverability. Arising from this I have some further questions and a comment.

Duty to co-operate

1. Over what length of time have the Thames Gateway South Essex or Essex Thames Gateway formal groups been meeting?
2. What evidence is there from the Planning and Transport Board that the sub-regional impact of development around the Airport and its expansion has been actively considered?

Consistency with national policy

1. Which paragraphs (if any) of the Aviation Policy Framework are relied upon to support the role of smaller and regional airports as set out in the JAAP?
2. Is it intended to update this section to refer to the most recent national policy?

Deliverability

1. Where in the Rochford Employment Land Study Update Final Report (JAAP26) does it say that: "... the area will be attractive to companies and investors over the long term"?
2. Consideration should also be given to providing further evidence of the steps being taken to progress the Saxon Business Park and about the role of the MedTech Campus.

Answers to these questions should be included within the further response on my other initial questions which is now due by **Friday 21 March** at the latest.

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