

Dear Ms Freeman

**Re: Examination of the London Southend Airport and Environs Joint Area Action Plan
Hearing Date: Tuesday 29th April 2014 - 10am**

Following our telephone conversation today please find below my representation for Issue 1 of the above.

My concern regarding the application for the airport extension is on two counts.

My first concern is that the extra area being requested by the airport now should have been arranged at the time of the original contract, bearing in mind that an airport representative stated that the target of 2,000,000 passengers was to be achieved by 2020. Was a mistake made by the airport by not requesting it due to lack of knowledge that it would be needed? If so one has to ask have mistakes been made in other areas.

My second concern is If it was deliberate that the extension was not requested one has to ask what else they are not telling people, including the councils about their intentions.

We know that the safety of aircraft passengers is a must. However, It is the right of people who live around the airport and under the flight path to be fully informed of any intended expansion plans to the airport.

The airport from day one of the official opening has been expanding in terminal capacity and now they are asking for more capacity in area. If the extension permit is given, what next is already planned that we don't know about?

Regards

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