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Dear Ms Loderick

City Airport Expansion Proposals

I am writing to formally submit my own opposition to some of the proposals to expand City Airport London. I am also writing on behalf of thousands of constituents who have signed up to my campaign to oppose expansion at City Airport.

I understand that in December 2022 London City announced it had submitted a planning application to Newham Council, the planning authority, for changes to the airport's existing planning permission following a 10-week consultation exercise.

I understand that the consultation into London City's expansion proposals formally started 15 February - 17 March 2023.

I note the planning application includes an extra 6-7 hours flying on Saturdays, an extra 2.5 million passengers a year using the airport, and extra early morning flights. As you are aware the noise from aircraft has a significant impact on the health and wellbeing of residents in Waltham Forest and Redbridge.

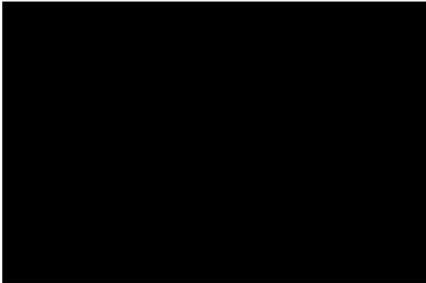
I am therefore opposed to the end of Saturday respite for residents which has been in place since the airport opened and the increase to flights early in the mornings which will affect my constituents at a sensitive part of the day throughout the week.

In addition, I would also like to put on record my concerns about the consultation process, including the timeframe and the lack of public meetings. Many constituents have made contact with me to flag up their frustration with the consultation process – one constituent describes it as a 'deliberate exercise to cut out local residents' and another adds 'the consultation is a sham.' During previous consultations, public meetings were a standard feature.

Since becoming the MP for Leyton and Wanstead in 2010 I have campaigned with community groups and my constituents for relief from the noise and air pollution experienced because of the airport's activity, not the intensification which these proposals clearly imply.

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In conclusion, any proposed changes to City Airport must retain the full 24-hour weekend respite for residents that has been in place since the airport opened and reduce, not increase, the total emissions from the airport.



John Cryer MP