Bristol Airport Public Inquiry

Written submission for the attention of the Inspectors from:

Claire Wheeler:

I hope you don't take the brevity of this submission to reflect the depth of my feelings on the proposed developments at the airport. I have many serious worries but I am sure that you will receive many submissions from better informed and more articulate people than me on other aspects of concern.

I can only speak from my heart to let you know the devastating effect that night flights will have on my life, and the lives of thousands of others. How can the sleep and health of the tens of thousands of people, who will be directly affected by the proposed changes, not be important?

I am also completely at a loss to understand how it can conceivably be logical to expand the airport when the world is facing such climate change problems. In the Summer 2021 issue of "North Somerset Life" (the Council's information magazine for residents) the Council set out a climate emergency challenge to encourage all North Somerset residents to change and reduce their carbon footprint. One of the key challenges set by the Council is to:

"Cut back on flying - holiday closer to home and use video conferencing for work."

I believe that I live in a region that takes its responsibilities regarding climate change seriously and very much hope that I am represented by leaders who have the courage to act on them.

With many thanks for reading this.

Very best wishes

Claire