

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA230719-8338

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information relating to the London City Airport consultation. The GLA received your request on 22 July 2019 and it has been dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004.

You asked for;

- 1. Can you advise how the authority will be cascading down this information to the residents, who's lives would be affected by environmental and equality impacts, to make them aware that they can raise objections before the September deadline.*
- 2. How will both the environmental and equality impacts, that the additional expansion will cause, be monitored for the health and wellbeing of local residents.*
- 3. How does the mayor of London propose to combat the pollution created by a further increase of over 40,000 flights over the borough to align with legislation now edging towards carbon neutral zones?*

Our response to your request is as follows:

The Mayor has repeatedly said that where airport growth takes place this should not be at the expense of London's environment or the health of its residents. London City Airport's draft master plan appears to be a first step towards seeking an easing of restrictions at the airport, with potentially significant consequences for our environment, transport network and personal health and wellbeing.

In terms of consultation, the Mayor believes it is essential that London City Airport consults widely on the draft master plan given the wide area over which impacts of its operations are experienced. It is the responsibility of London City Airport to undertake this process properly. Officers at Transport for London (TfL) have been liaising with officers at City Airport to emphasise that it should be engaging fully with all those communities affected by the airport's operations both today and in the future.

With regard to the potential impacts of future operations at the airport, it is important to note that the draft master plan is a non-statutory document. It only indicates the potential future scenarios that the airport may pursue and does not provide concrete details of future growth nor give any kind of permission for any increases in operations beyond existing permissions. As such, it is difficult to say in any detail how future impacts would be monitored or combatted

without knowing the detail of the specific proposals, however, the Mayor is committed to ensuring that London becomes a zero-carbon city by 2050.

Officers at the Greater London Authority and Transport for London are carefully scrutinising the detail of the proposals set out in the draft master plan to understand how they may impact the Mayor's policies.

Thank you again for your request and I hope this information is useful. If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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