

Northern Runway Project

We are proposing to add further long-term capacity at London Gatwick Airport by making best use of our existing runways and infrastructure.

Our Northern Runway is currently limited to acting as a taxiway, and is only available for use as a runway when the Main Runway is out of use or in an emergency. The Northern Runway Project proposes repositioning the existing Northern Runway 12 metres north to allow dual runway operations, aligning with international safety standards, along with investment in a range of infrastructure and facilities, and major road enhancements to improve access to Gatwick Airport and the operation of the local transport network.

If approved, the project would enable London Gatwick to:

- Serve 75 million passengers per year by the late 2030s, with much improved facilities and passenger experience
 - Create 14,000 new jobs
 - Generate £1 billion of value added to the region's economy every year

Our DCO Application

We previously consulted on our proposals for the Northern Runway Project in Autumn 2021 and Summer 2022. Further detail on these consultations can be found on our website at: gatwickairport.com/northern-runway

On 6 July 2023, we submitted our Northern Runway Project application for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') to the Planning Inspectorate, who consider such applications on behalf of the Secretary of State, (the 'application'). The application was subsequently accepted for examination on 3 August 2023 and published on the Planning Inspectorate's website. We then invited stakeholders and the public to submit relevant representations to the Planning Inspectorate by 29 October 2023.

The Project is now in a pre-examination phase. The start of the examination will be confirmed by the Planning Inspectorate in due course and will last for 6 months.

Proposed Project Changes

Since submission of the application, we have continued to refine the project proposals taking account of our existing sustainability aspirations and the desire to ensure appropriate design flexibility for the next stage of design work, in the event the DCO consent is granted. Through this work, we have identified three separate changes to the project that would further minimise impacts on the environment and provide design flexibility.

Before submitting these changes to the Planning Inspectorate, we are consulting the public, landowners and other stakeholders on the changes so that views can be taken into account. It will be for the Planning Inspectorate to decide if the changes can be made to the application before it is examined.

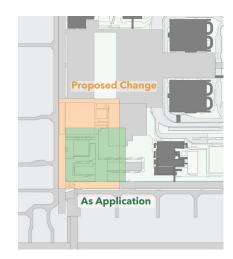




Project Change 1: Increase to the design parameters for the North Terminal International Departure Lounge proposed southern extension

Existing application - The application proposes two extensions to the North Terminal International Departure Lounge – to the north and south – to accommodate a mix of retail, catering and general circulation space.

Project Change 1 proposes to increase the design parameters of the proposed southern extension, together with the demolition of a passenger lounge and circulation building, to seek greater design flexibility for the future design stage. This will enable us to respond to future needs of retail and catering operators and provide an enhanced service to passengers. No increase in the net floor space to be created is proposed.



Project Change 2: Reduction in the height and change in the purpose of the replacement CARE facility

Existing application - The application proposes to demolish and replace the existing Central Area Recycling Enclosure (CARE) facility which comprises a food waste to energy (heat) plant. In line with London Gatwick's ongoing drive to sustainability, we have considered options to remove the incineration of waste on site

Project Change 2 proposes to amend the replacement CARE facility to become a waste sorting facility only. Instead, waste material would be taken off-airport to dedicated waste processing centre(s) rather than being processed on site. Project Change 2 also comprises the removal of two biomass boilers and an associated flue of up to 48 metres, currently proposed under the DCO Application.



Project Change 3: Revision to the Water Treatment Works system

Existing application - The application proposes to treat stormwater run-off that contains de-icer through a Moving Bed Biofilm Reactor process.

Project Change 3 proposes to change this system to a constructed wetland (reed bed) solution, as a more sustainable solution for water treatment in line with our sustainability aspirations. Six reed bed areas are proposed, comprising a mix of wetland vegetation species to create a variety of habitat types.



Responding to the Consultation

We are keen to hear your views on the three proposed project changes. Do you have views on the proposed project changes? Please let us know the reasons for your responses and if they are relevant to Project Change 1, 2 or 3, or a combination of the changes. If you have any queries on the changes or how to respond please ring 01293 505265.

You can submit your views by:

- Completing the online consultation questionnaire on our website gatwickairport.com/northern-runway
- Emailing your comments to community@gatwickairport.com
- Posting to Northern Runway Project Team, Destinations Place, South Terminal, Gatwick Airport, West Sussex, RH6 0NP

All comments must be received by 11:59pm on 21 January 2024.



