CLAIM NO: KB-2024-002336

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
KING'S BENCH DIVISION
B E T W E E N :

GATWICK AIRPORT LIMITED

Claimant

- and –
PERSONS UNKNOWN -
[more fully described in the Claim Form]

Defendants

CLAIMANT'S CHRONOLOGY

Hearing: 17 JULY 2026

Date	Event	Reference
9 March 2024	Just Stop Oil ("**JSO**") meeting where threats of action at UK airports made.	**251 at ¶ 89-90; 447 at ¶3**
2 June 2024	Protestors affiliated with Extinction Rebellion ("**XR**") carried out a protest at Farnborough airport, by blocking three main gates and obstructing another with a vehicle.	**251 at ¶91; AB/120 at ¶5**
20 June 2024	Two protesters used an angle grinder to cut a hole in the perimeter fence at Stansted Airport and spray painted two aircraft using a fire extinguisher, resulting in operations on the runway being suspended and departures of three aircraft delayed.	**251 at ¶93; AB/120 at ¶5**
20 June 2024	Julian Knowles J granted an injunction in respect of London City Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
25 June 2024	Protestors apprehended at London Gatwick Airport with bandages in their bags.	**251 at ¶¶93 and 105; AB/125 at ¶23**
5 July 2024	HHJ Coe sitting as a judge of the High Court granted injunctions in respect of Manchester Airport, Stansted Airport and East Midlands Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
10 July 2024	Julian Knowles J granted an injunction in respect of Heathrow Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
18 July 2024	Ritchie J granted injunctions in respect of Leeds Bradford Airport, Luton Airport and Newcastle Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
19 July 2024	Ritchie J granted injunction in respect of Gatwick Airport.	**5-15**
24 July 2024	Ten JSO activists arrested at Heathrow Airport as part of an intelligence led operation - some were equipped with cutting gear and glue.	**281 at ¶18a; 452 at ¶22**
27 July 2024	Protest from London City Airport relocated to the Department of Transport.	**281 at ¶18b; 452 at ¶22**

29 July 2024	Eight JSO activists arrested at Gatwick Airport on suspicion of interfering with public infrastructure.	**281 at ¶18c; 452 at ¶22**
30 July 2024	Two JSO activists arrested at Heathrow Airport after spraying orange paint around the Terminal 5 entrance hall and on the destination boards in the departure lounge.	**281 at ¶18d; 452 at ¶22**
31 July 2024	A protest by JSO and Fossil Free London held at the Docklands Light Railway station at City Airport but outside of the red line of the injunction plan.	**282 at ¶18e; 452 at ¶22**
1 August 2024	Seven JSO activists blocked access to the departure gates at Heathrow Airport's Terminal 5.	**282 at ¶18f; 452 at ¶22**
5 August 2024	Five JSO activists arrested on their way to Manchester Airport equipped with bolt cutters, angle grinders, glue, and sand.	**282 at ¶18g; 452 at ¶22**
6 August 2024	Jacobs J granted injunctions in respect of Birmingham Airport, Bristol Airport and Liverpool Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
14 August 2024	Farbey J granted an injunction in respect of Southend Airport.	**473 at ¶18**
17 February 2025	XR demonstration at Inverness airport waving banners with "Ban Private Jets" and "We're in a climate emergency, we need to step up and take action"	**282 at ¶18g; 452 at ¶22**
27 March 2025	JSO ostensibly announced the end of their campaign.	**452 at ¶23**
18 May 2025	GB News report that JSO were considering a "U-turn".	**452 at ¶25**
20 May 2025	Protest by environmental protesters relocated from Heathrow Airport.	**452 at ¶26**
21 May 2025	JSO emailed members saying "GB News was right for once. We are "plotting a very big comeback"."	**452 at ¶25**
24 June 2025	Bourne J continued the injunctions made in the cases of London City Airport, Manchester Airport, Stansted Airport, East Midlands Airport, Leeds Bradford Airport, London Luton Airport, Newcastle International Airport, Birmingham Airport, Bristol Airport and Liverpool Airport.	**473-474 at ¶19**
18 July 2025	Mr Duncan Atkinson KC continued the injunction made by Ritchie J in respect of Gatwick Airport	**16-17**
23 July 2025	Turner J continued the injunction made in respect of Heathrow Airport.	**474 at ¶19**
18 September 2025	The protestors who carried out the direct action at Stansted on 20.06.24 were found guilty of criminal damage at Chelmsford Crown Court.	**478 at ¶34a; 558; 570**
21 September 2025	Development consent was granted to C for its "Northern Runway Project", which permitted C to bring the existing northern runway at Gatwick Airport into use alongside the main runway.	**475 at ¶24, 561**
20 October 2025	JSO's press release in relation to continuation of Shell injunction in which it stated "For as long as the UK government continues to allow the extraction of fossil fuels and the export of weapons to genocidal states like Israel and treats its own citizens of conscience like criminals and terrorists, there will be resistance."	**566**

22 October 2025	HHJ Freedman continued the injunction made in respect of Southend Airport.	**474 at ¶19**
3 December 2025	Three protestors affiliated with Take Back Power deposited a large pile of manure underneath a Christmas tree at the Ritz in London.	**612-613**
6 December 2025	Protestors affiliated with Take Back Power were arrested and charged with criminal damage after throwing desserts at the Crown Jewels.	**580-581**
19 January 2026	XR staged a protest outside the Macquarie Group Headquarters to protest the expansion of Farnborough Airport, with banners that called for a ban on private jets and severing ties to fossil fuels.	**578**
6 February 2026	Protest by Take Back Power protestors at the Houses of Parliament by "locking on" to the gates at Carriage Gate.	**615-616**
14 March 2026 and 1 May 2026	Take Back Power protests by taking items from supermarkets without paying for them.	**618-619**
27 April 2026	Take Back Power protest Sotheby's by obscuring a painting with Nigel Farage's face.	**624**
30 April 2026	Take Back Power protests at a Ferrari dealership, Burlington Arcade and Harrods.	**621; 626**
30 April 2026	The Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre raised the UK's national terrorism threat level from "substantial" to "severe" for crowded spaces.	**585-586**
6 May 2026	Fossil Free London protestors sat outside Shell's headquarters covered in a liquid resembling blood.	**587-588**
14 May 2026	Protestors who carried out the direct action at Heathrow Airport on 30.07.24 convicted of criminal damage.	**593-594**
5 June 2026	Convictions of protestors convicted of conspiracy to cause a public nuisance for plans to carry out action at Heathrow Airport upheld by the Court of Appeal.	**596-597**
16 June 2026	Email from Chief Superintendent from Sussex Police in which he expressed the view that the injunction was a useful and necessary tool to support the police's ability to keep the airport safe and operational.	**540**
23 June 2026	Judicial review in respect of northern runway project at Gatwick Airport dismissed by Mould J.	**683**
30 June 2026	Soole J continued the injunctions in the cases of London City Airport, Manchester Airport, Stansted Airport, East Midlands Airport, Leeds Bradford Airport, London Luton Airport, Newcastle International Airport, Birmingham Airport, Bristol Airport and Liverpool Airport.	**688-725**
2 July 2026	Soole J continued the injunction granted in respect of Southend Airport.	**725-736**
9 July 2026	Soole J continued the injunction granted in respect of Heathrow Airport.	**AB/132-133**
27 – 29 July 2026	Listing window for an oral permission to appeal hearing in the Court of Appeal against the order of Mould J in the Gatwick judicial review.	**659 at ¶19**