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Supplementary Agenda

Extraordinary Cabinet - Wednesday, 11 September 2019

Dear Councillor

I enclose the following item which was marked 'to follow' on the agenda for the extraordinary Cabinet meeting to be held on Wednesday, 11 September 2019:

3. Recommendation from Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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To consider the recommendations from the Extraordinary Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 3 September 2019, on the Council's policy stance on Heathrow expansion.

Yours sincerely

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Extraordinary Cabinet – 11 September 2019

Recommendation from the Extraordinary Overview and Scrutiny Committee of 3 September 2019

Heathrow Airport Expansion

1. At its extraordinary meeting held on 3 September 2019, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a factual presentation on the 'pros and cons' of expansion at the airport by SBC officers from the Heathrow Expansion Working Group. Members of the Committee then took the opportunity to clarify points with officers.
2. The Committee also received a presentation on Heathrow West, the alternative proposal for a new terminal configuration for an expanded airport, by representatives of the Arora Group. Members again had an opportunity for factual clarification on the points made.
3. The Chairman then all invited all councillors in turn who wished to speak, to convey their views and those of the residents in their ward on the expansion proposals. Councillors raised concerns about the current form that the expansion is proposed to take, and the resulting extensive impact on Stanwell Moor, Stanwell and the rest of the borough. Councillors, whilst acknowledging the economic benefits of expansion, called on the Committee to put the needs of residents first.
4. The Committee then debated the key component parts of the Heathrow expansion proposal in order to identify a position on each of these and to inform its recommendation to Cabinet on the Council's policy stance.
5. The Committee concluded that Spelthorne has previously supported the third runway in principle but the proposals now before us from HAL for the expansion of the airport do not address our previous concerns and additionally now present significantly greater issues.
6. The Committee has debated the key issues in detail and it is apparent that we must change our stance. Spelthorne has always put its residents first and must continue to do so. The decision to approve a third runway was made by Government. It is clear, and we are mindful, that the expansion brings key benefits for Spelthorne's economy but these are outweighed by the significant issues with HAL's proposal which the Committee debated at its meeting.

The Committee resolved to recommend to Cabinet:

1. That Spelthorne's policy stance on Heathrow Expansion must indicate that the Borough is unable to support the development consent order in its current form;

2. That the Heathrow West proposal specifically needs to be explored in greater depth, as we are clear there are potentially more beneficial alternative proposals to HAL's; and
3. That only if the Council's demands as agreed by the committee this evening (set out below and in the officer's AEC responses) on behalf of our communities are addressed to the Council's satisfaction, then and only then would Spelthorne be able to review its position and support expansion.

The demands are:

- Third runway, with capped growth of 740,000 Air Traffic Movements per annum by 2040
- That the expansion should include Heathrow T5X and T2 only, with further consideration given to the Heathrow West scheme
- That any increase in car parking must be at the Northern Parkway or along Bath Road only
- There must be no Southern Parkway, no Truck Park, no HGV filling station or associated lorry movements to the Crooked Billet, and Heathrow need to move new and re-aligned roads further away from Stanwell Moor
- Deliver a genuine 'world class' integrated compensation and mitigation package, including Wider Property Offer Zone for Stanwell Moor and part of Stanwell village
- To provide enhanced multi-purpose community halls for Stanwell Moor and Stanwell village as a positive legacy for the communities
- Commitment to deliver 1,500 new apprenticeships for local colleges within the borough (Brooklands College in Ashford)
- Controlled Parking Zones for Stanwell Moor, Stanwell village, and Ashford north of A308 and other areas as deemed appropriate by the Council – to be in place by the time the third runway is operational and to be funded in full by Heathrow
- Southern Light Rail (SLR) to be built before the third runway is operational, and for the Council to work positively with Heathrow to ensure that they deliver
- No Construction sites at CS10 or CS11 operating 24/7 365 days a year north of Stanwell and Stanwell Moor
- Deliver continuous improvement and enhanced mitigation to neutralise air quality impacts to below legal limits on local communities
- Comply with the Committee on Climate Change Further Ambitions Scenario (in order to deliver a reduction to 30 million tonnes CO₂ in 2050)
- Deliver continuous improvement by actively and directly reducing noise levels for aircraft and the airport (using 2013 baseline)
- Night flights to be banned for 8 hours overnight, except for emergencies (World Health Organisation guidelines).
- Immigration Removal Centre (IRC) must be outside the borough

- Protect Staines Moor in perpetuity and ensure no changes to the River Colne upstream which might have an adverse impact on the biodiversity of the SSSI.

Councillor Vivienne Leighton

Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee 11 September 2019

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