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Notice of Extraordinary meeting

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday, 3 September 2019

Time: 6.30 pm

Place: Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames

To the members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillors:

V.J. Leighton (Chairman)
J. McIlroy (Vice-Chairman)
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AGENDA

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1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for non-attendance.

2. Disclosures of Interest

To receive any disclosures of interest from councillors in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for members.

3. Spelthorne Borough Council's Policy stance on Heathrow expansion

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To consider proposals for Heathrow expansion and make recommendations to the Extraordinary Cabinet on 11 September 2019 on the Council's policy stance.

Attached to this agenda are the Council's proposed draft responses to the second Consultation setting out the mitigating actions we require Heathrow to address in order to continue to support the expansion. A document summarising the key benefits and issues will follow.

To further assist the Committee's deliberations it will:

- Receive a factual presentation on the pros and cons of Heathrow expansion as proposed by Heathrow Airport Limited
- Receive a presentation on an alternative proposal for Heathrow expansion, by the Arora Group
- Hear the views of councillors and their residents as presented by the ward councillors

The Committee will consider a number of policy positions including those contained within the two Motions, set out below, which were referred from the Council meeting held on 18 July 2019.

Motion 1.

"That henceforth the formal position of Spelthorne Borough Council will be to oppose any increase in air traffic movements at Heathrow airport.

The Council notes that this new position in principle is based on the impact on local residents and the environment from air traffic, and that the Council now believes that an increase in capacity is unsustainable and damaging to the borough.

The Council's response to the LHR Expansion Consultation closing on 13th September 2019 will clearly indicate this change in policy and Spelthorne Borough Council's opposition to the proposals in principle."

Motion 2.

“In the light of Spelthorne Borough Council's commitment not to allow "any developments in the Borough that are detrimental to air quality" (as per the SBC press release 'Protecting Air quality in Spelthorne' dated 20/6/2019) and bearing in mind the fact that any Heathrow expansion will have serious knock on effects in terms of air quality and reduction of green spaces in the Borough inter alia through the envisaged building of a large car park between Oaks Road and the A3044 in Stanwell which currently acts as an important noise and pollution buffer zone for residents and as a carbon sink, the Council's new position to be reflected in its official response to the London Heathrow expansion consultation will be to oppose any expansion of Heathrow completely.”