



Dear Sirs

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### **Heathrow Consultation**

I represent Iver Heath Residents' Association.

Several of our members have attended your recent consultation meetings and submitted their individual thoughts and objections regarding your future plans. However, we are very concerned by the damaging effect that your proposed expansion and multiple runway use will have on our village and I would therefore like to submit these additional comments on behalf of our members.

There is growing, worrying evidence regarding the dangerous effect that pollution and loud noise has on the nation's health. Despite your predictions for the increased use of electric vehicles and improved transport facilities in the future your plans will, meanwhile, turn this area into a magnet for additional traffic congestion and pollution levels way above recommended safe limits. We are already an Air Quality Management Area with all that that implies.

Lack of sleep, as we all know, also has a dramatic and much faster effect on our health and ability to carry out normal safe, reliable activities. Iver Heath will therefore be dramatically impacted by your double runway scheme.

Iver Heath Village lies within the Colne Valley Park. As a Residents' Association we are members of and enthusiastic supporters the objectives of the Colne Valley Park CIC.

We share, therefore these specific concerns with CVPCIC:

1. The 2019 Airspace Consultation shows that a wider area will be impacted by unacceptable intrusion from aircraft noise as a result of increased future air traffic
2. Significantly for Iver Heath residents this noise will be emitted at low altitude above areas not previously affected at all.
3. The wider masterplan for Heathrow expansion shows large areas of the CVP may be lost altogether as a recreational amenity to IH residents either absorbed by the airport or its associated roads or other related infrastructure development.

We also note that an Environmental Impact Report did not form part of your consultation.

Our position, therefore, in summary is that we have a fundamental objection in principle to any change in flight-paths and other associated infrastructure at Heathrow Airport that will results in any increase in air and noise pollution arising from increased aircraft traffic over Iver Heath.

Further IHRA therefore strongly supports CVPCIC's detailed and well-argued submission in response to your consultation.

We understand the importance of Heathrow Airport to the local area and to the country. However, we trust that these comments will convince you to consider the health and wellbeing of your neighbours and consider our future as well as your own when making your future plans.

Alan Wilson  
Chair IHRA