

The Secretary of State Grant Shapps,
Secretary of State for Transport,
Aviation Policy & Reform,
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Tracy Harding

10th October 2020.

Dear Mr Shapps,

Re: The Bristol Airport Limited (Land at A38 and Downside Road) Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) 2020.

As a resident of Felton Village since 1976, I am writing to strongly object to this CPO. The airport is continually building on "green belt" and this will swallow up even more green belt including common land.

The Bristol Airport planning application (ref: 18/P/5118/OUT) for growth was refused by North Somerset Council on 10th February 2020. As you are probably aware the Airport is appealing against this decision, but no date has been given for this Public Inquiry. This CPO applications closing date is 16th October 2020. To grant permission for the CPO before the appeal could distort the appeal process.

The Highway works to the A38 and Downside Road will be to accommodate the additional traffic that would be generated by the proposed expansion to the airport, so are we presuming that Bristol Airport thinks that the inspectorate will rule in its favour?

Given the airport locally, this proposed roadworks does not address the fact that there are still no motorway or railway links to serve a proposed expansion.

In light of the recent Pandemic and the fragility of the aviation and any associated hospitality industry the investment and expansion of this sector seems ludicrous. Also, with the Climate change high on every part of the governments planning policies surely the Green Belt being covered with even more roads goes against all policies.

As a local resident, I urge you not to rubber stamp this order.

Yours Sincerely

Tracy Harding.