



Secretary of State for Transport, Aviation Policy & Reform,  
Zone 1/25, Great Minster House,  
33 Horseferry Road,  
London, SW1P 4DR

10<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Secretary of State

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

Bristol Airport's planning application (reference is 18/P/5118/OUT) for growth from 10 million to 12 million passengers per annum (mppa) was refused by North Somerset Council on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020. The Airport is appealing this rejection and the date for the resulting Public Inquiry has yet to be decided.

The Highway works to the A38 and Downside Road are primarily to accommodate additional traffic generated by the additional 2 mppa, so Bristol Airport is clearly anticipating that the Inspectorate will rule in its favour.

The CPO covers Highways Works which are subject to a draft 106 Agreement. Point. This draft Agreement will be examined and play a part in the Appeal process and may therefore be subject to change during the Inquiry.

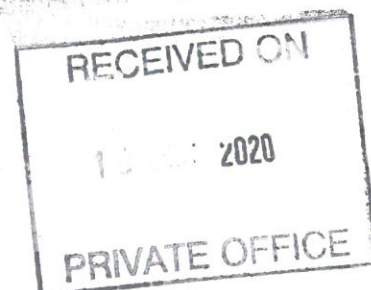
**This application is premature in the light of the upcoming Public Inquiry and should be rejected.**

We would also request at this late stage that the deadline for comment should be extended by four weeks or that comment received until mid-November should be accepted. Communications are still difficult in rural areas at the best of times, let alone during the pandemic, and many people are only now becoming aware that the Airport is attempting to use the CPO as a device to complicate the Public Inquiry.

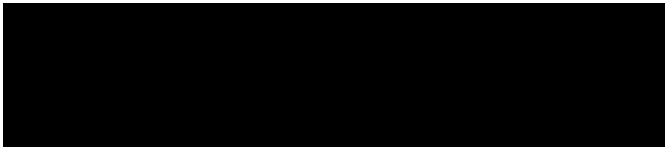
Yours sincerely

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**A Note on SBAEx**

The Stop Bristol Airport Expansion (SBAEx) campaign is based in North Somerset and works with community groups across North Somerset, BANES & Bristol seeking to prevent Airport expansion.

The campaign works to:

- provide information and comment through Facebook and the SBAEx website.
- provide Factsheets on issues relating to Airport expansion and places these in wider national and global contexts e.g. impacts of aviation emissions, traffic pollution and noise on health.
- run targeted campaigns e.g. 90,000 reach for our school student video to Ontario teachers;
- support community initiatives
- publish press and website articles, lobbies local and national politicians, and talks with local planners and councillors;
- liaise closely with other organisations to share information and actions e.g. fund raising, organising events, obtaining legal advice.