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Dear Debbie Smith,

Re: APP/P1750/A/06/2024640/NWF - Appeal by TAF Farnborough Airport Ltd to increase weekend and Bank Holiday movements

I wish to renew my objection to this variation of condition 11 of planning permission 99/00658/OUT and to make additional points.

The 28,000 mpa limit imposed on TAG is not a target level of airport activity sanctioned by the DfT. It is a restriction imposed by the planning inspectorate in order to balance the interests of TAG against the interests of the surrounding community. TAG is suggesting that the current restriction on weekend and Bank Holiday flights is preventing TAG from achieving 28k mpa. That is an operational matter, not a planning consideration.

Rushmoor BC was correct in referring to the public's perception of noise. The impact of noise extends beyond its decibel reading and depends on the context within which it is being heard i.e. noise at the weekends may be more intrusive than noise during weekdays.

Farnborough Aerodrome Residents' Association has raised the point that diplomatic and Royal household flights may transfer to Farnborough and that these flights would not count towards the 28k mpa ceiling. I do not think that variance of the planning conditions placed on TAG can be properly considered until it is clear what impact this will have on the airport's activities if it does take place.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Caroline Lucas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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