

STATEMENT

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Commenting on the announcement of the statutory consultation on Heathrow expansion, **Paul McGuinness, Chair, No 3rd Runway Coalition** said:

"This consultation is about the infrastructure Heathrow will build once they've demolished villages in Hillingdon. Not the serious environmental impacts of imposing a further 700 planes a day over the country's most populated region.

"Heathrow's claim that this consultation, which runs through the summer holiday season, will be their 'most innovative engagement yet' sets a low bar. Just as their boast to hold events in more locations than ever, acknowledges their failure to consult widely enough in the past.

"They claim 'transparency' and that this consultation will include 'consolidated feedback' from the Airspace exercise, earlier in the year. So let them publish it, warts and all. Because residents were horrified by their airspace change proposals and incandescent at the loaded, prescribed questions - which far too many felt didn't allow them to express their real views."

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