

# Stansted Airport responds to the Government's 'Invitation to Tender'

Stansted Airport responds to the Government's 'Invitation to Tender' announcement for the East Anglia rail franchise.

17 September 2015

#### A Stansted Airport spokesperson said:

"We welcome the inclusion of a number of our proposals in today's tender document for the new East Anglia rail franchise, in particular more early morning rail services to Stansted and the introduction of direct services between Norwich and the airport. We will work with the bidders to ensure they deliver Stansted Airport's aspirations for a more frequent and reliable train service for airport passengers and commuters alike.

"But in addition, what airport passengers urgently need is investment in track improvements between London and Stansted to speed up journey times, and we will continue our work with Government to ensure these vital improvements are delivered as soon as possible.

"Our analysis shows that journey times to Stansted and other points on the main line can be cut by nearly ten minutes by simply upgrading the existing track. This will unlock spare capacity and have huge benefits for passengers by giving them better access to the choice and value that is on offer at Stansted."



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