

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

CAGNE understand that the CAA are currently consulting on surface access for airports and would like to participate concerning surface access issues at Gatwick Airport.

Please find attached a document concerning the lack of surface access at Gatwick Airport and how the railway can not be expanded.

We would like to add the figures below which have just been released to highlight the state of the single line railway that Gatwick sits on, and how it is under increasing pressure from natural growth without a second runway and 95m passengers annually.

'Growing populations and changing work and travel patterns have led to year-on-year increases at Horsham, Littlehaven, Faygate, Christ's Hospital, Warnham, Billingshurst, Pulborough and Amberley over the past two decades' reports the West Sussex County Times this week.

Horsham MP and South Downs MP met rail officials and called the line and current service, 'abysmal throughout the region.'

Stations -

Faygate grew by 570 per cent increase

Warnham increase of 490 per cent

Littlehaven saw 96 per cent increase

Horsham 95 per cent rise

Billingshurst 87 per cent rise

Pulborough 38 per cent rise

Amberley 113 per cent rise

Figures from Campaign for Better Transport

These stations have to use roads and country lanes as car parks. If the Gatwick proposal is to be delivered they say that 1,000 homes will go to each parish, these stations will not be able to deal with additional increases on top of the natural growth and thus workers will be forced onto the roads**. The cost of rail travel will also prohibit workers from using the line (it is cheaper to fly to Europe from Gatwick than to travel to London by the Gatwick Express) as well as the fact that the line is already at its limit, unreliable, please see our surface access report.

The recent poll stated that the Gatwick Express was found to be expensive by 37%*. [*http://www.britalypost.com/oyster-and-contactless-payment-launched-at-gatwick/](http://www.britalypost.com/oyster-and-contactless-payment-launched-at-gatwick/)

** Gatwick is accessed by one road, M23, that will be full by 2040 and joins the congested, four lane section of the M25. Gatwick feeder roads are already congested and have issues of pollution which Gatwick is not required to monitor.

Yours faithfully

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