16 November 2017
EIR Reference: E0003468

Dear [Name]

I am writing in respect of your recent request of 24 October 2017, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Your request:

1. Map showing the Gatwick Noise preferential routes and NPR swathes in relation to RH6 0EG
2. Map showing a sample of departure flight tracks prior to February 2017 in relation to RH6 0EG
3. Map showing a sample of departure flight tracks during February 2017 in relation to RH6 0EG
4. Map showing a sample of departure flight tracks four weeks ago in relation to RH6 0EG
5. Map showing a sample of departure flight tracks two weeks ago in relation to RH6 0EG
6. Map showing a sample of departure flight tracks from Sunday 23rd October in relation to RH6 0EG
7. Maps showing LAeq,16h contours for a) 2014 b) 2015 and c) 2016

Our response:

Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, please find enclosed the following maps:

Figure 1: Gatwick Noise Preferential Routes (with 3km wide monitoring swathes shown)
Figure 2: Gatwick departures, 1 October to 15 October 2016, with postcode RH6 0EG shown
Figure 3: Gatwick departures, 15 February to 1 March 2017, with postcode RH6 0EG shown
Figure 4: Gatwick departures, 10 September to 24 September 2017, with postcode RH6 0EG shown
Figure 5: Gatwick departures, 8 October to 22 October 2017, with postcode RH6 0EG shown
Figure 6: Gatwick departures, 22 October to 24 October 2017, with postcode RH6 0EG shown
(Please note that departure flight tracks shown in Figures 2 to 6 are as displayed in the CAA’s Noise and Track Keeping (NTK) system for Gatwick over the specified periods)
Figure 7: Gatwick Summer 2014 daytime Leq 16hr noise contours (54 to 72 dBA)
Figure 8: Gatwick Summer 2015 daytime Leq 16hr noise contours (54 to 72 dBA)
Figure 9: Gatwick Summer 2016 daytime Leq 16hr noise contours (54 to 72 dBA)

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

Caroline Chalk
Head of External Information Services
Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House
Gatwick Airport South
Gatwick
RH6 0YR

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The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with requests under the Environmental Information Regulations. The key steps in this process are set in the attachment.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner’s Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF
https://ico.org.uk/concerns/

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24.

Yours sincerely

Rihanne Stephen
Information Rights Officer
The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;

The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;

The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;

The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;

The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;

The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.