

[REDACTED]

7 June 2018
EIR Reference: E0003719

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in respect of your recent request, of 14 May 2018, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, we are able to provide the information below.

Details of any increases or decreases per departure route at Gatwick Airport to the east and west for the aircraft movements for the year 2017 compared to previous year 2016.

Tables 1 and 2 summarise the distribution of Gatwick departures by route during 2016 and 2017 as reported in the Gatwick noise and track keeping system. Figure 1 in [CAP 1346](#) may also be helpful as it shows which SIDs correspond to particular route numbers (e.g. 'Route 1' refers to westerly SAM/KEN departures).

Table 1 Count of Gatwick departures by route

Gatwick Route	2016	2017
Route 1	29,354	35,626
Route 2	13,365	9,292
Route 3	14,491	9,936
Route 4	35,667	42,087
Route 5	14,461	9,475
Route 6	4,012	2,863
Route 7	26,945	32,360
Route 8	596	551
Route 9	9	41
Total	138,900	142,231

Table 2 Percentage of Gatwick departures by route

Gatwick Route	2016	2017
Route 1	21.1%	25.0%
Route 2	9.6%	6.5%
Route 3	10.4%	7.0%
Route 4	25.7%	29.6%
Route 5	10.4%	6.7%
Route 6	2.9%	2.0%
Route 7	19.4%	22.8%
Route 8	0.4%	0.4%
Route 9	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Correspondence between Gatwick Airport, ANS and NATS involving the CAA concerning the speed gates of arrivals at Gatwick Airport to the east and west for 2017/18. Details of aircraft arriving too fast exceeding the speed gates for arrivals.

We have checked our records and we do not hold any such correspondence. As the information requested is not held by us, Regulation 12(4)(a) of the EIR applies.

Correspondence between the CAA and Gatwick Airport concerning aircraft joining the ILS below 10nm after the night period has commenced for 2017.

We have checked our records and we do not hold any such correspondence. As the information requested is not held by us, Regulation 12(4)(a) of the EIR applies.

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

caroline.chalk@caa.co.uk

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Stevens'.

Mark Stevens
External Response Manager

CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- 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.

Regulation 12 of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004

- (1) Subject to paragraphs (2), (3) and (9), a public authority may refuse to disclose environmental information requested if—
- (a) an exception to disclosure applies under paragraphs (4) or (5); and
 - (b) in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exception outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
- (2) A public authority shall apply a presumption in favour of disclosure.
- (3) To the extent that the information requested includes personal data of which the applicant is not the data subject, the personal data shall not be disclosed otherwise than in accordance with regulation 13.
- (4) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that—
- (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received;
 - (b) the request for information is manifestly unreasonable;
 - (c) the request for information is formulated in too general a manner and the public authority has complied with regulation 9;
 - (d) the request relates to material which is still in the course of completion, to unfinished documents or to incomplete data; or
 - (e) the request involves the disclosure of internal communications
- 5) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that its disclosure would adversely affect—
- (a) international relations, defence, national security or public safety;
 - (b) the course of justice, the ability of a person to receive a fair trial or the ability of a public authority to conduct an inquiry of a criminal or disciplinary nature;
 - (c) intellectual property rights;
 - (d) the confidentiality of the proceedings of that or any other public authority where such confidentiality is provided by law;
 - (e) the confidentiality of commercial or industrial information where such confidentiality is provided by law to protect a legitimate economic interest;
 - (f) the interests of the person who provided the information where that person—
 - (i) was not under, and could not have been put under, any legal obligation to supply it to that or any other public authority;
 - (ii) did not supply it in circumstances such that that or any other public authority is entitled apart from these Regulations to disclose it; and
 - (iii) has not consented to its disclosure; or
 - (g) the protection of the environment to which the information relates.