

[REDACTED]

25 July 2018
EIR Reference: E0003778

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in respect of your request, of 27 June 2018, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Your request:

Following, and by reference to, the House of Commons debate on Airports National Policy Statement on 7 June 2018 (Volume 642), and the Government Response to the Transport Committee Report on the revised draft Airport National Policy Statement "Moving Ahead Britain" dated June 2018, I write to request publication under the Freedom Of Information Act 2000 of any documents connected with, correspondence relating to, and data and records of the analysis taken by DEFRA and BEIS including but not limited to reports produced by, or commissioned on behalf of DFT, DEFRA and BEIS, which supports, evidences or relates to:

the conclusion that Lakeside EfW is not a "strategic asset"; the conclusion that loss of Lakeside EfW would "not affect the UK's ability to meet environmental targets"; the decision that Lakeside EfW is not a "nationally significant venture"; and the statement there is sufficient waste management capacity to absorb any loss from Lakeside EfW.

Our response:

We do not have any role in the decision on airport expansion, except to provide expert advice and data to the Government when requested.

Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, we do not hold information within the scope of your request, and therefore Regulation 12(4)(a) 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.