

## THE REIGATE SOCIETY

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LN - **REPORT No. 60** THE GATWICK CONSULTATION August 2014. jc/bh. This publication appears to be designed to confuse the public by switching air traffic routes between community locations during periods of summer traffic growth. At a recent meeting of the Societies elected representatives, complaint was made of increased road and air and noise pollution.

What is really needed is a consultation paper ;-

Partnership and Co-operation between Airport Companies.

"The provision of improved services for travelers from local Airports to their destination".

We already have Co-operation between Air Line Companies to transfer passengers and fill aircraft with empty seats. What is needed is an **Origin and Destination** survey of passenger data held by the travel companies.

## Such a Partnership with co-operation may produce savings;-

- Benefit the traveling public by eliminating the long road or rail trip to, through, or round London, saving time and reducing costs.
- Reduce road and rail traffic traffic congestion in the SE.
- Utilize unused takeoff and landing slots at regional airports for the benefit of the local economy. (see RS Report No.50 for a draft list of regional airports for discussion.)
- Provide more effective and economic use of the airport capital assets previously provided.
- Reduce the need to use green field sites for new foundations and structures with a long engineering life that may become brown field sites within a lifetime as fuel costs rise. (see Report No.24)
- Enable financial capital sums saved to be allocated to projects that benefit export growth.
- Make passenger capacity savings within Airport Hubs to make provision for the expansion of the more profitable International Flight Transfer facility within the UK.
- Improve employment options and prospects outwith the South East Region.

Other contributions to the consultation debate:-

Reports No.1.1 Road Tpt, 6. Ports. 24. Climate change, 33. Antiquities, 34. Gas & Oil, 44. Met Green Belt, 47. Revocations, 49. Rail Strategy, 50. GATWICK, 58 Drainage & Flooding. All available on the RS web site

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