

Overview

This report is a response to the public consultation on the two planning applications submitted by London Ashford Airport Limited in December 2006 for a new terminal building and runway extension at London Ashford Airport (Lydd), registered by the planning authority Shepway District Council (“SDC”) on 22 December 2007 and given reference numbers Y06/1647/SH and Y06/1648/SH respectively (the “Planning Applications”).

This report also contains collated reports which are to supplement the two Environmental Statements submitted with Planning Applications Y06/1647/SH and Y06/1648/SH. The collated reports will also provide relevant information to SDC, as the competent authority under the Conservation (Natural Habitats &c) Regulations 1994, for the Council to consider in its appropriate assessment. As agreed with SDC, these reports cover the following subject areas:-

1. Air Quality;
2. Bird Hazard Control;
3. Invertebrate Surveys;
4. Geomorphology;
5. Landscape and Visual Amenity;
6. Socio-Economic Impacts;
7. Noise (Impact on the community and birds);
8. Travel Plan;
9. Statement to Inform on the Predicted Impacts from the proposed runway extension on the Dungeness to Pett Level SPA;
10. Statement to Inform on the Predicted Impacts from the proposed terminal building on the Dungeness to Pett Level SPA;
11. Statement to Inform on the Predicted Impacts from the proposed runway extension on the SAC; and
12. Statement to Inform on the Predicted Impacts from the proposed terminal building on the SAC.

As many of the consultation responses provided comments on Planning Applications Y06/1647/SH and Y06/1648/SH in one letter, this report covers both applications. The report makes it clear where responses apply to both applications or to just to a specific application.