



Press Release

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The Spectator produces film on airport expansion, sponsored by Heathrow Hub

The UK is waiting to find out which of the three shortlisted proposals for airport expansion will be chosen by the Airports Commission. The five person commission, which is chaired by Sir Howard Davies and reports to the Department for Transport (DfT), will deliver a Final Report in Summer 2015.

Heathrow Hub, the independent proposal to expand Heathrow by extending the northern runway has asked The Spectator to look into the different shortlisted options. Isabel Hardman, The Spectator's Assistant Editor, has spoken to various experts from Heathrow, Gatwick and Heathrow Hub, to hear more about the three different proposals:

The Spectator investigates: London airport expansion

<http://blogs.spectator.co.uk/coffeehouse/2015/04/the-spectator-investigates-london-airport-expansion/>

Jock Lowe, Heathrow Hub director, commented: "This excellent film, and Isabel Hardman's investigative reporting, supports our own research that only Heathrow can support the economic aspirations of the UK and provide the connectivity that London and the UK needs as a major commercial centre.

"Expanding Heathrow rather than Gatwick has won the overwhelming support of London's businesses. As the recent poll¹ demonstrated more than twice as many members of London First, the influential business membership organisation, believe that Heathrow should be awarded the new runway in the South East, ahead of Gatwick. Heathrow expansion will result in huge economic benefits that will spread across the UK. "

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Heathrow Hub is an independent, proposal for an integrated air and rail facility that doubles Heathrow's capacity and creates new opportunities for noise mitigation. For more information, please visit: www.heathrowhub.com

¹ <http://londonfirst.co.uk/our-focus/londons-airport-capacity/>