

## Gatwick – facts, figures and key messaging

### TEN KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- 46.4million annual passengers
- 230 global destinations – more than any other UK airport
- 66 long-haul routes to established markets (US, China, Middle-East) and high-growth global economies (South America and Asia). 1 in 5 passengers now travel long-haul
- 5.5 million overseas visitors use Gatwick as their gateway to the UK, spending £3.9bn on British goods and services
- Trade activity at Gatwick adds £7.2bn to UK GDP each year with Gatwick's cargo tonnage increasing by 11.4% in 2019
- At a national level, Gatwick offers a £2bn boost to the UK's GDP and generates around 85,000 jobs nationally, with 24,000 of these located on the airport
- At a regional level, Gatwick is the single biggest driver of economic growth in the region, accounting for £2.7bn of economic activity and supporting 1 in 12 jobs
- Gatwick became the first carbon neutral London airport in 2017 and the first UK airport to achieve zero waste to landfill in 2018
- Gatwick's noise footprint has reduced by 48% over the last 20 years, through improved operations, quieter aircraft and industry-leading initiatives
- One of the UK's best-connected airports with train links to 120 different stations

### GATWICK TODAY

#### A vital gateway for UK tourism

- Gatwick is the gateway to the UK for 5.5 million overseas visitors each year, offering a significant boost to the region's tourism
- Nationally these visitors spend £3.6bn on British goods and services each year, while at a regional level visitors spend 9.7million nights in the south-east each year, bringing a huge boost to the region's hotels, shops, restaurants and attractions
- New initiatives like Gateway Gatwick are helping further amplify activity to promote hotels, visitor attractions, restaurants and shops across the region.

#### A £7.2 billion trade boost to the UK

- Gatwick's growing global connections are an important catalyst for trade and investment activity in the national and regional economy, with the airport's 66 long-haul routes opening up new opportunities in particular
- An estimated £7.5 billion worth of international goods is transported through Gatwick between UK and overseas markets each year
- Trade activity centred on Gatwick added £7.2 billion to UK GDP in 2017 and sustained 113,800 jobs across the UK

#### The single biggest driver for the local economy, supporting 1 in 12 jobs

- By delivering £2.7 billion of economic activity, Gatwick is the single biggest driver of economic growth in the region
- The airport supports 1 in 12 jobs across the Gatwick Diamond area, which stretches from the edge of London in the north to the edge of Brighton in the south, and from Horsham in the west to East Grinstead in the east
- Working with a range of partner organisations, our 'Inform, Inspire, Invest' education programme offers a range of ways for young people to develop the right skills for the right job

## A thriving, sustainable airport committed to being a good neighbour

- Gatwick's [ambition is to be the UK's most sustainable airport](#)
- The Decade of Change strategy has seen Gatwick become the [first carbon neutral London airport](#); the first UK airport to achieve [zero waste to landfill](#); and a reduced environmental footprint since 2010, using [10% less energy](#), [30% less water](#) and with carbon emissions throughout Gatwick's own assets reduce by 50%
- Continued growth has been matched with [a 48% reduction in noise footprint](#) over the last 20 years
- Gatwick continues to be a major investor in the local community, and sponsored [52 community events in 2018](#), with staff raising more than [£192,000 for our charity partners](#)

## Vital transport links that connect the region

- As one of the UK's best-connected airports, Gatwick offers [train links to 120 different stations](#)
- Gatwick's is used by [1 million regular commuters](#) who live locally and use the station to get to work
- Airport passengers and local residents alike will directly benefit from a planned [£150million train station upgrade](#) and planned improvements in rail services, walking routes and bus facilities through Gatwick's £1.1 billion capital investment programme

## FUTURE GATWICK

### Continued sustainable growth

Gatwick's July 2019 Masterplan set out the intention to build [operational resilience](#) and continue the [sustainable growth](#) of the airport by:

1. Using new technology to build capacity and resilience on the [main runway](#);
2. Bringing the existing [northern runway](#) into routine use for departures only alongside the main runway by the mid 2020s;
3. Recommending planning policy [continues to safeguard land](#) for an additional runway.

### Low-impact, high-benefit plans

By bringing the Northern Runway into routine use, the plans will deliver:

- [Additional capacity](#) - between 10 and 15 additional hourly aircraft movements in the peak hours, which could help Gatwick deliver up to 70 million passengers by 2032
- [Enhanced competition](#) – additional capacity will provide further opportunities for airline innovation and passenger choice
- [Economic growth](#) – the plans are forecast to deliver nearly £2bn of value added economic benefit and deliver another 20,000 jobs across the UK
- [Similar noise footprint](#) – the extra capacity will be balanced by the airport's noise footprint remaining broadly similar to today's levels. This is mainly because of the introduction of new, quieter aircraft technology which have already made a significant difference
- [Minimal disruption](#) – the standby runway plans will be a privately financed, low-impact and low-cost development resulting in a highly productive scheme

### Strong public support and in line with Government Policy

- Gatwick's plans went through a [12-weeks of public consultation](#) which saw over [5,000 responses](#) from local residents, community groups, businesses, airlines, local and national politicians and other key partners, with [66% of respondents supporting](#) Gatwick making best use of its existing runways
- Plans to bring the existing northern runway into routine use are firmly [in line with Government policy](#) of encouraging airports to explore opportunities to ['make best use of existing runways'](#)

### A thorough planning process that will allow key parties to have their say

- Gatwick's Northern Runway plans will be taken forward by the [detailed Development Consent Order \(DCO\)](#) process that culminates in a final decision by the Secretary of State
- The DCO process will see detailed plans subjected to [period of public consultation](#) next year to allow local residents, councils, businesses, community groups and [key parties to have a say on the plans](#)