



Press Release
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Jock Lowe attacks Boris Johnson for trying to close Heathrow Airport costing 100,000 jobs

Jock Lowe of Heathrow Hub, the independent proposal to expand Heathrow shortlisted by the Airports Commission, commented on the Mayor for London's submission to the Commission today:

"The mayor is playing fast and loose with the jobs of at least 100,000 people by threatening to close Heathrow. By suggesting they move house or commute at least 3hrs a day to a new airport or change jobs he is failing to address the very real cost in human and economic terms of his plans. Furthermore, by persisting in ignoring our proposal which, by extending the existing northern runway brings no new people into the noise footprint, he is grossly exaggerating the potential impact of expansion at Heathrow. When you take into account newer quieter planes and the use of curved or two-stage approaches, an expanded Heathrow would actually be quieter than it is now."

Note to editors

The latest map and the executive summary of Heathrow Hub's updated submission can be found on Heathrow Hub's website: <http://www.heathrowhub.com>