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WHY CHOOSE A THIRD RUNWAY WHEN YOU CAN CHOOSE A LONGER RUNWAY?

Heathrow Hub is the independent plan being considered by the Government to increase airport capacity in the South East.

Led by ex-Concorde pilot Jock Lowe, our proposal is to extend Heathrow's existing northern runway to 6,650 metres and divide it in two with a 650 metre safety zone. Aircraft would land at one end and take off at the other.

If the Government chooses our plan, we would work with Heathrow Airport Ltd to ensure it is implemented.

Here is why our plan is better than Heathrow Airport Ltd's third runway proposal.

Cheaper for passengers

Our plan is £6bn cheaper than the third runway. So no additional costs would be passed on to passengers and airlines. By contrast, the third runway plan will add £40 to every return ticket in passenger charges*.

Less disruptive

Our proposal would cause less disruption, use less land and require the removal of fewer houses.

We would also keep the M25 open throughout

construction. We would build a new 16 lane section alongside and switch over when it's completed.

Gentler to the environment

Unlike Heathrow Ltd's third runway, our construction could be staggered with the first phase making use of existing spare terminal capacity. Further capacity would then only be released when legally binding noise and air quality targets are met.

Respite from noise

Our plan enables us to provide more respite from noise via offset, angled and curved approaches.

Better for Britain

Finally, our plan is quicker to build and could be operational by 2023. It would boost the UK economy by up to £214bn and create up to 164,000 new jobs nationwide.

So when it comes to choosing the best solution for enhancing Britain's airport capacity, the short answer is the longer runway at Heathrow.

To find out more visit heathrowhub.com

*IAG data quoted in The Times 23/6/16



The independent solution to airport expansion