

Hi everyone

There are just a few short days until the Bromley Council consultation on the airport's request for a variation of hours closes on 29th July.

If you haven't yet done anything, you still just have time to show your support, but you will need to email direct to [airport.consultation@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:airport.consultation@bromley.gov.uk) to avoid delays with surface mail.

If you prefer to use standard text, you can copy and paste the standard letter text below directly into an email, making sure you include your full name and address. Or you can draw down one of the standard letters, or the leaflet with the tear off strip, or write your own letter, and send in your support direct. (There is also now a full webpage on the subject at <http://www.bigginhillclub.co.uk/olympics.html> which includes all the standard responses as well).

John Willis

Standard text follows.....

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Dear Sir/Mme,

Re: Biggin Hill Airport revised Olympics Proposal

I understand that you are seeking view of the public in connection with the application by Biggin Hill Airport Ltd for a variation of the hours allowed within their lease for two specific calendar periods – the 2012 Olympics, and the 2012 Para-Olympics.

In my opinion, the most famous Battle of Britain airport in the world, and now the premier executive airport in the London area, should definitely be permitted to vary their hours as requested to enable them to take full advantage of the unique, once in a lifetime, event that is the 2012 London Olympics. It is imperative, given the airport's historical significance within the London area, that the airport be seen to be a major provider of services to the 2012 Olympics.

The requested variation is very small and unlikely to inconvenience anyone in the Borough, but without the increased hours, visiting aircraft, which will undoubtedly be carrying some of the world's most important Political Leaders and Personalities, will have to seek alternative airports that will enable them to arrive early enough to both reach the Olympic site in the mornings, and depart again in the evenings after the close of the games for the day.

These types of aircraft do not carry the hundreds of passengers that the opposition groups would have us believe – they are executive aircraft, carrying but a handful of important Olympic guests. The effects on surface congestion will be negligible, even more so by being spread over the increased operational hours. No relaxation is being sought for the relaxation of the restriction on the operation of "scheduled services", so this fear being spread by the opposition is irrelevant.

It is unthinkable that Biggin Hill Airport is prevented from playing its part in these Olympic Games, and it would be embarrassing if the opposition groups who would like to see the airport closed, are allowed to dictate to Bromley Council in this way. The Airport should be considered one of the precious stones in the Crown that is the London Borough of Bromley, and this is a way of Bromley involving itself in these amazing games that will be seen throughout the world.

This application should be granted

Yours faithfully

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