

A new runway at Heathrow and London and the South East

There is an urgent need for new runway capacity

- The government's preferred scheme for meeting the need for additional airport capacity in the south-east of England is a new north-west runway at Heathrow. This preference was reached in the **national interest** and will make sure the UK has the connections it needs to thrive in the global market.
- We face a capacity crunch. **All five of London's major airports will be full by the mid-2030s**, and four within a decade.
- If they fill up, there will be less room for flights and more delays, higher fares and reduced global connectivity.

UP TO **£74 billion** 
TO **PASSENGERS AND THE WIDER ECONOMY** OVER **60 YEARS**

FREIGHT CAPACITY AT HEATHROW TO

NEARLY DOUBLE

TO 3M TONNES EACH YEAR BENEFITTING **UK BUSINESSES**



A new runway at Heathrow would bring real benefits to people across London and the South East

- The government has selected the new runway that would bring the **greatest benefits across the UK in the shortest time** – such as new flights and opportunities for local jobs.
- The government would expect the airport to maximise the employment and skills opportunities for local residents, **sharing the benefits of expansion with neighbouring communities**. In particular, Heathrow has pledged to drive down youth unemployment in the five boroughs nearest to the airport.

- Heathrow expansion will mean a **greater choice of airlines** at Heathrow and **international destinations**.
- The increased competition at the airport is expected to **drive down fares**.

We recognise the impact on local communities and expansion will not be allowed at any cost

- The proposed Airports National Policy Statement sets out the planning policy framework which Heathrow would have to comply with in order to get development consent for building a new north-west runway. If designated, **the airport would have to continue to consult with local communities on the scheme**.
- The government has been clear that any expansion must be accompanied by a **world-class package for local communities**, which is **tough on noise** and **fair on compensation**.
- The government believes expansion can be delivered **without impacting on the UK's air quality obligations**.
- Heathrow expansion **will not be taxpayer funded** – the cost of construction and community compensation will be privately financed.

TENS OF THOUSANDS OF **LOCAL JOBS**
PLUS **10,000 APPRENTICESHIPS** 