

**TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**JOINT TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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**Report of the Director of Planning & Environment**

**Part 1- Public**

**Matters For Information**

**1 BOLD STEPS FOR AVIATION**

**Summary**

**This report outlines the Bold Steps for Aviation that Kent County Council would like to discuss on how the UK can meet its aviation needs through the connection of Gatwick and Heathrow with a high speed rail link.**

**1.1 Introduction**

1.1.1 Bold Steps for Aviation (**Annex 1**) is a discussion paper from Kent County Council, which suggests how the UK's aviation capacity needs could be met without the need to develop a new hub airport in the Thames Estuary. It is intended to contribute to the national debate and is published in response to the recent proposals from Lord Foster and the Mayor of London. If you would like to make any comments on this discussion document, please email them to [aviation@kent.go.uk](mailto:aviation@kent.go.uk)

1.1.2 Members to note the content of **Annex 1**.

**1.2 Legal Implications**

1.2.1 None.

**1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations**

1.3.1 None.

**1.4 Risk Assessment**

1.4.1 None.

Background papers:

Nil

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