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Dear Mr. Easton,

**PROPOSED RE-SURFACING OF SITE TO FORM AIRPORT CAR PARK INCLUDING CHANGE OF USE AT LAND OFF DYCE AVENUE ABERDEEN AB21 0BH – AMEDNED APPLICATION.**

**REF.: 211759/DPP**

This response is written on behalf of Aberdeen International Airport Limited (AIA). AGS Airports Limited is the owner and operator of AIA.

Thank you for bringing the amended application to our attention. AIA has considered the proposed amendments and held a short meeting with the applicant. AIA continues to object. With reference to our previous grounds for objection from 23 December 2021 (which we consider are still applicable), we would make the following additional observations:

- Despite claims that the proposed development is now intended for general use, the amended Transport Statement continually refers to the development as an 'off airport car park'. The Transport Statement demand section (2.5) still takes a predict and provide approach based on future airport passenger forecasts which is not in accordance with local, regional or national policies. 4.1 of the submitted 'Operational Strategy' proposes to operate a shuttle bus: "*to take passengers parking at the car park to Aberdeen International Airport*". It is apparent that the applicant anticipates the proposed development operating as an airport car park and any change of wording in the amended application description does not reflect any meaningful change to what is proposed and how the application should therefore be determined.
- Operating a shuttle bus with a 30 minute frequency for a 274 space car park as suggested in the Operational Strategy is not commercially viable. As such, it would be inadvisable to rely on future provision of a shuttle bus to make the proposal acceptable or sustainable in planning terms.
- The amended application has removed previous references to pedestrian access and is now silent on the subject, exacerbating conflict with Policies T2 and T3.

We can also confirm that the use of AIAs long stay 'Park and Depart' car park temporary use as a Government Testing Centre has ceased and preparations are underway to re-open the facility. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 07500 102 225 or at [ross.nimmo@agsairports.co.uk](mailto:ross.nimmo@agsairports.co.uk) should you wish to discuss any of the points raised in this objection in more detail.

Yours sincerely



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