



London City Expansion

How it would impact the Borough of Havering

(covering the constituencies of [Hornchurch & Upminster](#), [Romford](#) and [Dagenham & Rainham](#))

In its draft Master Plan London City proposed to:

- **Almost double the number of flights from their current level.** At present there are around 80,000 flights a year. There is an annual cap of 111,000. London City wants that lifted to 151,000.
- **Get rid of the 24 hour weekend break.** Currently no flights are permitted between 12.30pm on Saturday and 12.30pm on Sunday.
- **Bring in more early morning and late night flights.** But the night flight ban would remain.

Its final proposals will be revealed in its Master Plan expected to be published late 2019/early 2020.

The current situation

Havering is impacted by London City planes during both west and east winds. During the west wind (about 70% of the time in a typical year) City aircraft take off over Blackwall, Bow, Leyton, Leytonstone, Wanstead, Barkingside and **Collier Row** before heading north of **Hornchurch** (with a smaller number flying over **Romford** and then **south of Hornchurch**). During an east wind planes take off over Barking Reach, Dagenham and **Hornchurch**.

London City does not produce a map but its aircraft can be tracked at <https://travisley.topsonic.aero/>

London City concentrated its flight paths in 2016 which means that certain communities get all the planes.

In the future

London City is in the process of reviewing its flight paths. Options will go out to public consultation for revised flight paths in 2021. City is under pressure to rotate its flight paths in order to give people a break from the noise. That is likely to be one of the options put out for consultation.

If London City's proposals for expansion go ahead:

- There will be a near-doubling of City aircraft over the borough
- There will be planes throughout the weekend
- There will be more planes in the early morning and late evening

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