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## Our Days in Court

We started on Monday and there have been 3 days of legal argument, with a 4th and final day to come. The legal team has put our grounds of challenge to the judge.

In particular, that includes why the Government failed to properly apply aviation policy, to properly address the climate change impacts of this development and obvious and critical holes in the economic case - there is considerable doubt as to whether there will be any benefit to the national economy (as claimed by the Govt).

The case is challenging local environmental impacts (noise, transport, water quality) but also climate change impacts - this is another carbon intensive infrastructure project, which will lock in carbon emission when we are already off track.

Already we have seen some small but nevertheless tangible results from the legal proceedings - there has been a concession made by the Airport and Government in the form of a correction notice, which addresses one of the legal arguments we made about noise, tightening the longer term review of noise to the benefit of local communities.

Obviously we hope for a bigger win in terms of overturning the decision entirely.

We don't expect the judge to make a decision immediately, so will wait to see what the judgment says.

In the meantime, we continue to fundraise so we can continue to defend the local community and the climate.

**More funds are needed to continue this critical Legal Challenge**  
**Please contribute to our Crowd Justice fundraising campaign**

The link to fund raising is here: <https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/gacc/>

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