



# Flights over Brockenhurst have and will continue to significantly increase

Please take 5-minutes to read this short, evidence-led pack on Bournemouth Airport's arrivals over Brockenhurst. Flights are arriving lower, more often, and later at night. Here's the evidence, and how we can change it.

## THE HEADLINES

**If you are concerned about aircraft noise, you are not alone.**

Many of us value the convenience of flying from Bournemouth. **We are not against aircraft or the airport's expansion**, but like many residents we are concerned about the disturbance the flights bring. In fact, **3 in 4 residents polled<sup>1</sup> are worried about the flights doubling**. You are not alone. The noise is already rising, and with flights likely to double it is set to get far worse without action from the community.

The good news: **we believe it can be significantly reduced**, if the airport follows good practice, the authorities engage positively, and the community gets involved in the flight paths now being redrawn. **Your help is needed** to make a change and bring the noise down for good.

## THE PROBLEM

**Over the last 3 years the situation has got a lot worse.**



## 75% OF ARRIVAL FLIGHTS FUNNEL STRAIGHT OVER THE VILLAGE



Arrivals into Bournemouth over 3-years - Each blue line is one flight path

Brockenhurst sits about 10 nautical miles out, directly in line with the main runway and **75% of arrivals converge over the village** before final descent.

It is made worse by **aircraft arriving lower** than the airport's own published operating procedures, often turning and **leveling off right over the village**. this requires extra engine power, causing extra noise.

Bournemouth Airport has permission to **more than double passenger numbers**. A340 cargo flights may return, and cargo capacity keeps increasing.



**If we don't act, it will get far worse. See how you can help overleaf.**



# We have a once-in-a-generation chance to make a change

New satellite-guided flight paths are being drawn up right now - we have an opportunity to move the flight paths away from the village.

## THE RISK AND OPPORTUNITY

Designs for new flight paths using satellite navigation are being drawn up **right now**, and there will be a public consultation. The new routes are highly accurate: instead of today's scattered tracks, every aircraft can follow the **exact same line**.

If that line is drawn over us as it is today, it becomes permanent, a concentrated **noise super highway directly over Brockenhurst**. We have an opportunity to influence this before it happens.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

**Your voice really matters and it's making the airport listen.**



A formal consultation on the new routes is coming. For now, **every complaint counts**, and it is the weight of many that moves the airport. Please **log every flight that disturbs you**, as often as possible. Email them or follow the 2-steps below: [environment@bournemouthairport.com](mailto:environment@bournemouthairport.com) and copy [aircraft@yourbrockenhurst.org](mailto:aircraft@yourbrockenhurst.org).

## THE SOLUTION

**Four changes that would make a real difference.**



- 01 Route the new flight-paths around us**  
Place the new satellite routes to avoid Brockenhurst, without shifting the burden onto others.
- 02 Raise the height over Brockenhurst**  
Fly the standard 3° descent (or steeper), so aircraft are meaningfully higher and quieter.
- 03 Stick to a continuous descent**  
Hold every arrival to a smooth approach: no early descent, no leveling off over the village.
- 04 Hold the airport to account**  
Ensure compliance with the S106, Government Guidelines and the airport's own operating procedures.

### STEP 1 · CHECK



Scan to open the airport's live map. Find the aircraft that disturbed you and note its flight number and time.

### STEP 2 · SEND



Scan to open a ready-written email to the airport (copied to the campaign). Add flight & time, then send.