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The Sipson Shroud

On 19th November just one week after MP's debated whether Heathrow should expand - whether Sipson should be obliterated - Jonathan Whittaker will be bringing the Sipson Shroud to Parliament. He is being sponsored by Martin Horwood, MP for Cheltenham. The Chairman of Cheltenham FOE will also be there.

This huge shroud is crammed full with the comments, the protests, the 'think agains' of ordinary people living far from London in the West Country, Yorkshire, Cheshire.

Jonathan has booked Committee room 14 in the House from 2 - 4 pm. for private viewing for members and is hoping to have his huge shroud on display outside Parliament too.

Not only are many MP's asking the Government to think again about Heathrow expansion - now too people who've NEVER been consulted are giving Westminster the same message. Jonathan is asking MP's to come along and see the scale of the opposition - to sign the Shroud themselves. Among others who have signed the Shroud are Zac Goldsmith, Tony Juniper, Caroline Lucas and Mark Lynas.

Michael Meacher told the House on 11 November that the 'the local environmental impact on 2 million people in ..West London..will have widespread political, economic and social consequences...' and that 'tripling Britain's airport capacity is irreconcilable with meeting our climate change mandatory targets.'¹

The 2M group, NoTRAG, HACAN and environmentalists have consistently given the same message. Now those whom the Government never consults are beginning to say NO to Heathrow expansion too. Jonathan anticipates the Sipson Shroud will grow and grow. NoTRAG is determined Sipson will NEVER be bulldozed - its people will never be shrouded in misery, their homes, school and community destroyed by a Spanish construction company.

We fight on. Heathrow is big enough. It doesn't need to get bigger - just better.

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