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Dear Sirs

Please find my comments on the above attached.

I am deeply disgusted at the policy, and our governments failure to take radical measures to try to deal with the Climate Emergency.

You are failing miserably in your duty to take care of the epee of this country, our environment, and the world.

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Submission commenting on the Governments New regional Airports Programme

1. I am a concerned member of the public. i am terrified of the consequences for myself (though am now 62 years old), my children (aged 40 -21 years) and my grandchildren, who by all rights, should live a lot longer than me, their grandmother, or their parents.

Question 3: What, if any, changes would you like to see reflected in the new Programme and why?

There is a Climate Emergency, worldwide.

The environment is breaking down all over the world.

Any more than a 2 degree celsius rise above pre-industrial levels will cause catastrophic results.

Sea levels will rise, the oceans are dying, the arctic is on fire, so is the Amazon.

1.5 - 2 degrees is already locked in;
and there are tipping points and domino effects.

If our government and all the governments of the world - do not at least keep to the Paris Agreement, human life will become extremely difficult to impossible;
it is possible that most or all life on earth will end.
There will be floods and famine, plagues of disease, and resource wars; mass migration (already under way.)
billions of people will die, possibly all or most of humanity.
despite scientists warnings, carbon emissions are rising every year.

Radical measures are called for.
Aviation is one of biggest contributors to emissions.
we must stop flying.

Our government should be investing the 50 million euro that this document proposes to invest in regional airports, to public transport.

4. the Programme doesn't support Irelands transition to a low carbon economy. To do that, we must stop flying and private motoring, and invest fast in good public transport and bicycle travel.

5. Its rubbish.

