



SSE Briefing Note on Planning Application UTT/18/0460/FUL

Costs Award against UDC for G1 (35mppa) Refusal

1 Introduction

- 1.1 On 29th November 2006 UDC Development Control Committee (unanimously) refused the BAA/STAL ('G1') planning application which sought an increase of the cap on annual passenger numbers from 25mppa to 35mppa.
- 1.2 Following a five-month Public Inquiry in 2007 and subsequent deliberations, on 8th October 2008, the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government approved the planning application with conditions, including a 'Unilateral Deed of Undertaking' by BAA/STAL (the equivalent of a Section 106 Agreement). Costs were awarded against the Council.
- 1.3 On 26 March 2018 a local resident submitted a request to UDC under the Freedom of Information (Fol) Act 2000 asking for information on the amount ultimately paid out by UDC.

2 FOI request and response

2.1 Request:

"Dear Uttlesford District Council,

Following the decision of the Secretary of State in October 2008, to uphold Stansted Airport's appeal to grant 35mppa, costs were awarded against UDC. What was the award and what was the amount ultimately paid by UDC to BAA and or Stansted Airport?

Yours faithfully,



Stansted Mountfitchet"

2.2 Response:

"Dear 

Your request for information has now been considered and we can advise that £100,000 total was paid in costs by Uttlesford District Council (of which £11,000 was recovered from Hertfordshire County Council)."

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