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Dear Wing Commander Hobson

Kenley Airfield – Safety Fence – Planning Application

The City of London is aware that Kenley airfield will soon come into regular operational use by the RAF.

It appears that the forthcoming planning application strives to reduce the risks associated with operational flying in extremely close proximity to an area of intense public access and associated land management activity. The proposal has the twin benefit of improving safe access to the common and the removal of the temporary metal barriers that have attempted to fulfil a similar function for many years.

The City Corporation supports the important health and safety improvements this proposal can provide.

The City remains conscious of the need for all planning applications related to the airfield to reflect its status as a Conservation Area and that such decisions ultimately rest with the Planning Authority. The City's Epping Forest and Commons Committee will form a final view, having liaised with its local Consultation Group, and may provide wider comment during the formal application assessment period.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andy Barnard', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andy Barnard. Superintendent of The Commons. Open Spaces Department
cc. Philip Woodhouse, Colin Buttery.