# LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW

TO: CABINET - 15 July 2010

FROM: COUNCIL – 8 July 2010

#### MOTION REFERRED TO EXECUTIVE -

#### (A) 2M Motion

1. At the meeting of Council held on 8 July 2010, and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 14.6, a Motion proposed by Councillor Susan Hall and seconded by Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane, was resolved to stand referred to the next meeting of the Executive as follows:

"This Council welcomes the decision of the new Government to scrap proposals for a third runway at Heathrow Airport. A third runway and the resulting 220,000 extra flights per year would have blighted the lives of Harrow residents through increased levels of congestion, aircraft noise and pollution.

This Council is and will continue to be a proud member of the 2M Group; the alliance of 19 London and various other borough councils concerned about the environmental impact of Heathrow Airport.

This Council looks forward to working with the 2M Group in the future, as it strives to improve the quality of those for residents affected by Heathrow Airport. In particular, this Council welcomes 2M's campaigns to:

- Encourage the new Government to create an independent regulator for noise and air quality, which the previous Government failed to deliver; and in fact agreed an exemption to quality standards for Heathrow Airport.
- Alert the new Government to the significant amount of work needed to reduce NO2 levels, as the UK is currently not expected to comply with recommended NO2 limits until 2020.

This Council believes that a better, more environmentally friendly Heathrow Airport is in the best interest of all Harrow residents, and therefore instructs the Chief Executive to write to the 2M Group reaffirming our commitment to their goals".

### FOR CONSIDERATION

# **Background documents**:

1. Motion submitted to the Council meeting – 8 July 2010.

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