To: SPECIAL COUNCIL - 27th NOVEMBER 2002

SUBJECT: THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF AIR TRANSPORT IN THE

UNITED KINGDOM: MIDLANDS - CONSULTATION

FROM: PLANNING AND ENGINEERING

1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 That the response set out in the attached report (Chapter 6.0 onwards) be forwarded to the Government as the Council response to the consultation paper.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

2.1 In July of this year, the Government published seven consultation documents for each region of the UK entitled *The Future Development of Air Transport in the United Kingdom*. The Midlands document covers both East and West Midlands. These documents describe the anticipated demand for air travel looking thirty years ahead, the possible implications for air services and new airport infrastructure, and the potential impacts - economic, environmental and social - of such infrastructure. The documents invite comments by the end of November. The attached report sets out the Council response.

3. POLICY AND BUDGET FRAMEWORK

3.1 The outcome of the consultation process will have potential implications for all aspects of the Community Plan. The report has no direct budgetary implications.

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Background Papers

The Future Development of Air Transport in the United Kingdom: Midlands

Areas in District Affected: All

Executive Portfolio Area and Holder: Development

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