From Skyhooks to a Grounded Economy:

What does a Just Transition for the Aviation sector actually look like?

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An urgent call for jobs investment in response to Covid-19
Post-financial crisis: fewer jobs

Figure 2: UK aviation recovery following the 2007-08 financial crisis. NEF (2020) Crisis support to aviation and the right to retrain.
Airport-city planning
30% of Brits plan to fly less after the pandemic - only 15% plan to fly more.

But is there really 'no work'?

Should prosperity depend on the uncertain promise of a polluting industry's return to growth? Or can the Gatwick region take a different route?
City-region vision

16,000

The number of jobs that could be directly created across the Gatwick Diamond to transition to zero emissions, and tackle endemic under-provision in social care.
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‘If this was an emergency in flight we would have diverted to a safe destination to save lives long ago.’
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High carbon production

High carbon consumption

High carbon scaling up of both

Oil and gas workers' views on industry conditions and the energy transition

Climate impact of transporting goods in and out of the UK

36 million tonnes of carbon emissions
Two alternative futures:

“Airport City” (reliant on infrastructure and growth) or

City-Region (through a Just Transition to Green Jobs)
Airport City scenario:

Airport City. Economy hangs on “sky hooks”: driven by infrastructure (aviation) growth and international connections, airport as main employer.
City-Region Scenario:

**Green City-Region:** Re-grounded economy. Just transition to local green jobs creates more resilient local economy. New jobs align local economy with climate and biodiversity emergency.
Look forward to the discussion!

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www.greennewdealuk.org/updates/a-green-new-deal-for-gatwick/