

▶ 35+ PLANNING APPLICATION
PROPOSED SOUND INSULATION GRANT SCHEME

NEW SCHEME

We recognise that aircraft noise is a key issue for local communities, particularly for those residents living closest to the Airport.

We have undertaken a review of the current scheme and also those offered by other UK and international airports.

Our proposed new scheme would:

- cover a larger geographic area, meaning more households will be eligible;
- take account of additional noise metrics;
- remove the need for the householder to contribute; we would pay up to 100% of the cost; and
- be based on a tiered system to provide the highest funding for the noisiest areas to support those who are most impacted.

The grant would pay for noise insulation measures such as double glazing, mechanical ventilation and loft insulation.

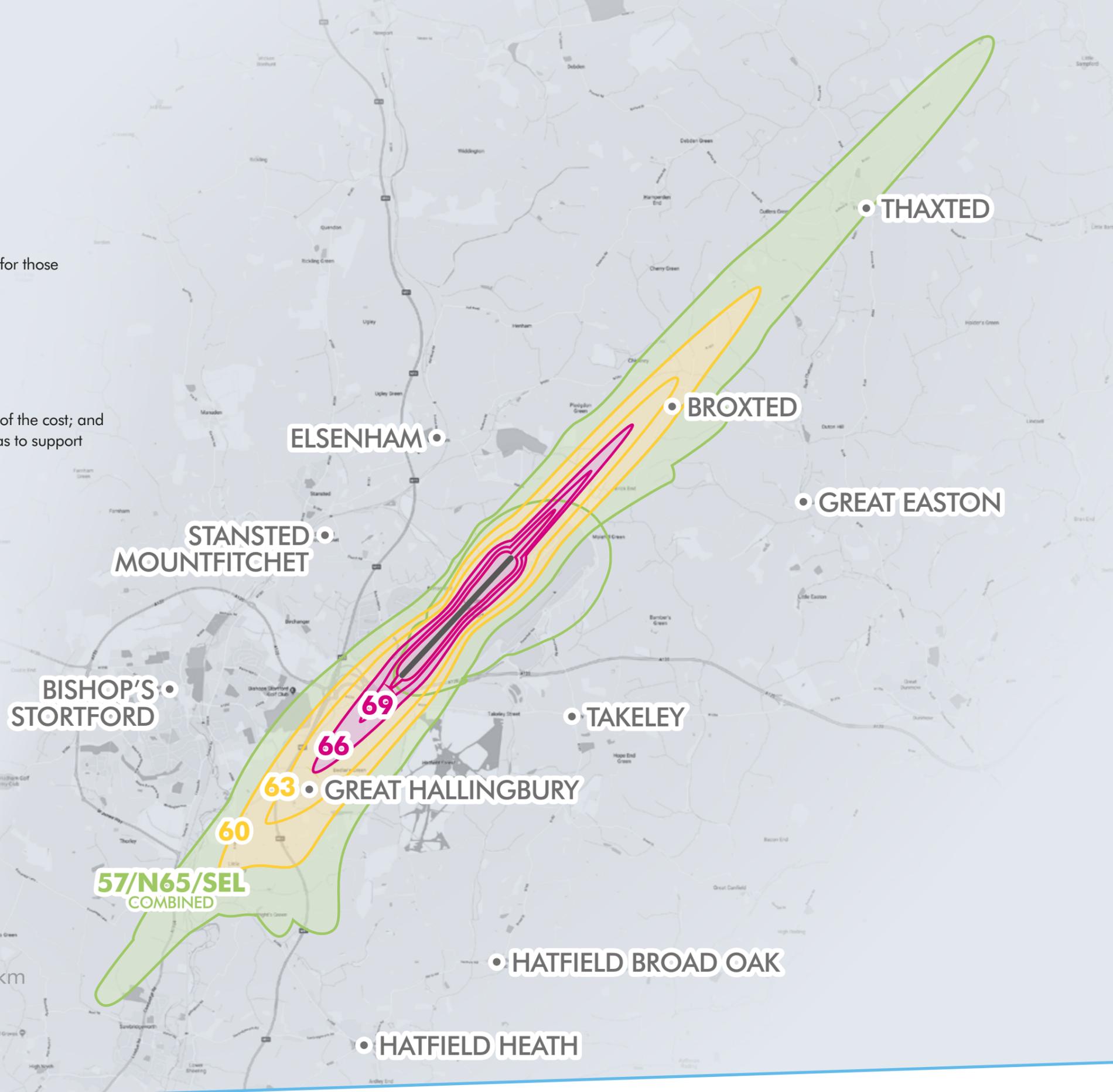
ELIGIBILITY

The current sound insulation grant scheme provides support to those within the 63 noise contour (63 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$). The proposed scheme, which is summarised in the table below and the figure opposite would provide support to those exposed to much lower noise levels, offering grants to those within the 57 noise contour (57 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$).

NOISE IMPACT	NOISE CONTOUR	GRANT MAXIMUM
UPPER	69 and 66 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$	£10,000
MIDDLE	63 and 60 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$	£8,000
LOWER	57 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$ / N65 200 / 90 dBA SEL* 600m distance / 55 dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$ ground noise	£5,000

*90 dB(A) SEL footprint for the noisiest aircraft operating at night (23:00 to 06:00)

For households subject to the highest levels of noise (69dB $L_{Aeq,16h}$ noise contour or more), we will also provide assistance with the costs of relocating.



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