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Although there was nothing to report earlier in the week, there has been a communication from the Aviation Communities Forum who have sent a letter to the Secretary of State

The letter to the Secretary of State asked him to commission a far-reaching review of the aviation industry, and the regulatory mechanisms through which it is overseen, in the light of the series of failures that have impacted the industry over the last year, culminating in the Covid 19 pandemic.

In addition, the Aviation Communities Forum pointed out that there had been very significant environmental, health and financial costs which collectively amounted to a systemic failure of the industry, its regulators and policy makers. They said that this must be addressed in forthcoming aviation policy in a way that the 2018 Green Paper failed to do. Finally, that the intention to carry out a review should be a condition of, and announced in parallel with, any “bail out” of UK aviation businesses resulting from the impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic.

The letter is available on the Airport Watch website here: <https://www.airportwatch.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/REFORMING-AVIATION-LETTER-TO-THE-SECRETARY-OF-STATE.pdf>