

**GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION
GEOGRAPHY C (1988)**

2401

DECISION MAKING EXERCISE (Higher Tier)

THURSDAY 24 JANUARY 2008

Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Additional materials (enclosed): None

Additional materials (required):

Answer booklet (8 pages)

Resource Booklet (2401/RB) – previously supplied



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- You will be given marks for using information in the Resource Booklet to support your answers.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The marks given in brackets [] will help you to decide how long you should spend on each task.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **60**.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where an answer requires a piece of extended writing.
- Resources 1–11 are contained in the Resource Booklet.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

SECTION 1: THE BACKGROUND**Question 1**

Use **Resource 1**.

Describe and explain **two** pieces of evidence from the resource to show that the use of air transport is increasing. [6]

Question 2

Use **Resource 2**.

Identify and explain **two** trends in air passenger numbers between 2010 and 2050. [6]

Question 3

Use **Resources 3 and 4** and/or your own knowledge.

Give **two** advantages and **two** disadvantages of the increased availability of cheap flights worldwide. [8]

Section 1: 20 marks

SECTION 2: THE OPTIONS**Question 4**

Use **Resource 5**.

Explain **two** reasons why the expansion of Birmingham International Airport should go ahead as planned.

[6]

Question 5

Use **Resource 6**.

Explain **two** possible reasons why the expansion of Coventry Airport is unlikely to go ahead as planned.

[6]

Question 6

Use **Resources 7 and 8**.

- (a) Explain why the British Airports Authority is in favour of airport expansion.
- (b) Explain why Friends of the Earth disagree with the BAA viewpoint.

[8]

Section 2: 20 marks

SECTION 3: THE DECISION**Question 7**

Use **Resources 9, 10 and 11** plus any ideas from the other resources or your own knowledge.

The development of Robin Hood as an international airport is a controversial issue. Here are **four** views about its future.

Option 1

The airport should be allowed to develop into an international airport to serve the whole region.

Option 2

The airport should not be allowed to increase in size and capacity.

Option 3

The airport should be completely closed down and a more sustainable use made of the site.

Option 4

The airport should be allowed to develop only if it can be seen to follow a sustainable aviation policy acceptable to local people.

Tasks

- (a) Choose **one** of the above options and explain **two** reasons for your choice.
- (b) Give a reason for rejecting **each** of other three options.
- (c) Your choice may not be ideal in every way. Give a disadvantage of your chosen option.
- (d) Your rejected options may have some good points. Give an advantage of **two** of your rejected options with particular reference to their sustainability. [20]

Section 3: 20 marks

TOTAL MARKS FOR PAPER: 60

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