We purchased this land for is restful nature, the silence and vegetation that enables us to hear the bird song.

Every now and again our defence force would fly by and that was fine.

But now we have loud aircraft noise frequently surrounding us. Do I hate the noise ... YES.

Was a letter during the planning stage of the second runway ever sent to us in the 20 years we have lived here? NO

Why not? Well, it was in the best interests of the aircraft commercial industry not to tell the community living, working and enjoying Mt Coot tha, that they would be affected by the proposed fight paths.

The community deserves an independent regulator with teeth that is responsible for protecting the community. And certainly one that is not paid by the industry they are regulating.

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