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21st July, 1934.

The Town Clerk, Dornoch, Sutherland:

Dear Sir.

At a time when the question of Airports is before the notice of many local authorities, we desire to offer our services as consultants.

A survey of the surroundings of a Town to list all possible landing sites, and the reduction of the list (where necessary) to the two or three most suitable sites, is an essential preliminary to any action by the Air Ministry. Even in cases where this has already been done some time ago, it is advisable to review the situation, as in the meantime, the requirements of Aviation have changed, and a ground earmarked for an Airport some years ago may be unsuitable for modern conditions.

Some authorities, who have in the past bought sites (but have not developed them) not adaptable to modern needs, have been able to sell them at a profit and take up new ground better suited for present day fast air traffic.

Air Commodore J.A. Chamier, one of the partners of this firm, has been connected with aviation since 1912. He has had a wide experience in the selection of aerogrome sites at home and Abroad, and is fully acquainted with the requirements and procedure of the Air Ministry with which he was associated for many years. We can therefore promise you the best of service.

Our fees, which vary with the amount of work involved, will be found to be strictly moderate, and we will welcome and appreciate your enquiries, without any obligation on either side until and unless definite arrangements are made.

Yours faithfully, CHAMIER GILBERT-LODGE & COMPANY.

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The Town Clerk, Town Hall, DORNOCH.

Dear Sir.

Aviation in this country has made such rapid strides since we last wrote you on this subject that, what may not have interested you then - may interest you now.

With the programme of increasing air forces recently approved by the Government, more and more aerodromes will require to be laid out in every part of Great Britain and those Councils and/or Corporate bodies, who have not yet seriously considered this question may, in the very near future, think it advisable to take definite steps to this end.

We desire to again bring our name before you as Aviation Technicians, Advisors and Consultants and, unless you have already made arrangements elsewhere, we would welcome the opportunity of discussing this matter with you.

One of the partners of this firm, Air Commodore J.A. Chamier, who was formerly Director of Technical Development in the Air Ministry, has had a large and varied experience in the choosing of suitable sites and the laying-out of aerodromes and seadromes both in this country and India as well as having been called in by the Indian Government to advise on the Bombay, Calcutta and Allahabad aerodromes.

We are at the moment Consultants for Town Councils, Shipping Companies, Harbour Boards, Transport Companies, and potential Aircraft Manufacturers.

At Brighton we were called in as expert witnesses in a Bill before the House of Lords where the recent prospects of building the Motor Racing Track were bound up with the question of Brighton's needs on the matter of aerodromes, as well as having been employed for examinations and reports on aerodrome and seadrome sites and operations round the coast of the British Isles.

We make periodical visits to America to examine the airport situation there and to keep us au fait with the lay-outs of some of the many airports and aerodromes behind that eastern seaboard.

We keep in close touch with the developments of aviation and its trends, which assist us in the task of choosing aerodrome sites in the light of the increased performance of modern future machines - so far as the future can be visualised.

We feel that our 28 years expert knowledge of aviation in all its aspects may be of value to you by enabling you to utilise to the best advantage the services of your own engineers and architects.

One of the partners of this firm is shortly making an extended tour of Great Britain and, if desired, will be pleased to call upon you when in your district, to talk matters over with you, without the slightest commitment or obligation on your part, at this stage.

Awaiting the favour of your reply.

Yours faithfully, CHAMIER/ GILBERT-LODGE & COMPANY.

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28th March, 1944.

The Town Clerk, Jak DORNOCH.

Sir.

Municipal Aerodromes

In view of the release of Air-Commodore Chamier from his duties with the Air Training Corps, we are now in full position to resume our business as Aircraft Consultants.

Prior to the War, our business consisted in acting in an advisory capacity to Boroughs and Corporations in connection with the selection of sites for Aerodromes and the design and construction thereof, or alternatively, the taking over of existing Aerodromes. We also acted as advisors to commercial Aircraft Companies and as operators of Flying Training Schools on behalf of the Air Ministry.

You are doubtless aware that such bodies as the Aerodrome Owners Association can give valuable guidance on matters of general interest (in fact, we are privileged to represent clients who are Members of this Association). Yet experience shows that many problems may, and do arise of a domestic nature where Consultants' services are advisable.

Air-Commodore Chamier has been actively engaged in both military and civil aviation since 1912. He has held the post of Director of Technical Development at the Air Ministry; and has been engaged as Consultant by many important bodies in the Aircraft industry, and by Boroughs and Corporations.

Whilst we are therefore qualified to carry through any schemes, from the selection of an Aerodrome site to the operation of a complete Airport, our usual work in connection with Public Bodies is to act as Consultants, co-operating with, but not replacing their own Departments normally dealing with such work. For this, the usual arrangement is an annual fee to cover all normal technical advice, any further expenses only being incurred under agreement, for any special work or travelling.