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In support of this planning application for the use of this land as an airfield. I fly from a farm strip at Oxenhope near Haworth, where we have a thriving and variety of wildlife on the airfield and on the adjoining farm lands. Most noticeably, in the uncut grass areas between runways, we have ground nesting birds that are not disturbed by the aircraft movements. I took some joy this last weekend watching a couple of birds of prey hovering over the field and occasionally diving to catch field mice. This they continued to do despite a number of my fellow pilots departing the airfield.

No doubt the wildlife who are by and large true survivors, become accustomed to anything that man does. I cannot imagine that a few aircraft movements is anywhere as disruptive as a tractor driving up and down the field.

We try to operate in harmony with the rabbits, peacocks, birds and sheep.

Oxenhope is home for 10 aircraft and one hovercraft, but the wildlife is still there.

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