Jardine disappointed at news from Edinburgh Airport

Today Edinburgh West MP Christine Jardine has expressed her disappointment at the news that Edinburgh Airport will not introduce an offset or curved approach for landing aircraft.

The solution had been put forward in an effort to reduce the impact of aircraft noise on communities near the airport.

After undertaking research on the plan, the airport yesterday published a report which concluded that introducing an offset or curved landing approach was not a viable option at the present time.

■ Ms Jardine said: "Although I understand the reasons why a curved landing approach has been ditched as an option, this is a disappointing outcome for the local community.

"But as the report says, it hasn't been completely dismissed as an option altogether.

"I'm calling on the airport to keep curved landings at the forefront of their thinking as we work together to find a solution to the impact aircraft noise is having on people living in Cramond and South Queensferry.

"I'm also encouraging the airport to keep an open dialogue with these communities.

"Edinburgh Airport is of course vital to the economic success of the city, but we must always balance its growth with the needs of local residents."