**Camp 270** **Luton Airport Camp, nr Luton, Bedfordshire**

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| **1947 Camp List** | | | | | | | |
| 270(G.W.C.) | Luton Airport Camp, Luton, Bedfordshire | E | Priswar, Luton | Luton 4162 | Luton | Lt.Col.M.F.F.Buszard | v/1453/2 |

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| **Prisoner of War Camps (1939 – 1948) - Project report by Roger J.C. Thomas - English Heritage 2003** | | | | | | | |
| OS NGR | Sheet | No. | Name & Location | County | Cond’n | Type 1945 | Comments |
| TL 118 211 | 166 | 270 | Luton Airport Camp, Luton | Bedfordshire | 5 | German Working Camp | Precise location not identified, NGR given for approx centre of airfield. |

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| **Location:** Entries from websites place the camp at;  ‘*Eaton Green Road’*, which runs along the N of the airport.  *‘..14 Nissen huts on the west side of the drive leading to Putteridge Bury House,* ***the one by the airport entrance which was the biggest****, and one each for Lilley and Breachwood Green’*.  The information from postal items / pow memories indicate there was a main camp by the entrance (TL 150 220 alongside Eaton Green Cottages on the map), with at least three smaller camps nearby.  **Before the camp:**  **Pow Camp:**  There was a camp magazine called ‘*Die Brucke’* (The Bridge).  Camp number included in an ‘Urgent Memorandum’ of 14 November 1947 (FO 939/270) regarding inspection of food parcels.  Camp commandant c1947 Lieutenant Colonel M F F Buszard, from the Northamptonshire Regiment.  **After the camp:**  Breachwood Green site was used for emergency housing. |  |
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**Further Information:**

National Archives FO 1120/240 – Re-educational survey visit reports for camps 266 to 276. Dated 1 January 1946 – 31 December 1948

IWM has a copy of the camp magazine for Christmas 1946. Catalogue LBY E.J.341

**Hostels**

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| **Breachwood Green**  The Breachwood Green camp was located in Pasture Lane, just below Bailey’s Farm (TL 1534 2158). Location identified with thanks to Roger Virtigo. |  |
|  | Ordnance Survey 1960 |