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To: Manston Airport **Subject:** Manston Airport

Dear PINS,

Regards

An operational airport at Manston is not just vital to the Thanet community but to the whole of the South East.

As an Engineer and former lecturer at a local college, I know how desperate our youngsters are for jobs and training. Too many local businesses are disappearing from our area. A functional airport will generate many ancillary offshoots which will help with jobs, training and improving the local economy. It's simply not economic for the area to have thousands of new houses filled with unemployed young and old.

I have lived in Minster for over 25 years. I brought my house knowing a runway is only 1 mile away and I have always been accepting of the noise and bustle which comes with an effective working business.

The council agreed to upgrade our roads to accommodate both the airport and our ferry terminal. We now have dual carriageways and a tunnel in place, yet no viable uses for this infrastructure. We have the perfect set up ready and waiting for this area to take off and provide a prosperous future for Thanet.

Our younger generation need jobs, a reason to live and a reason to remain in Thanet. More houses and no industry will not fulfil their hopes and ambitions.

As a former lecturer of apprentices I witnessed first hand the decline of businesses and the impact it had on our young workforce.

Bring back an operational airport, bring back jobs, training, prosperity and hope to this deprived, waning isle.

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