

Dear Sir / Madam,

We were invited to give a statement on how the development of a cargo airport at Manston will affect us.

We have received no information directly from River Oak about the proposals and have had to seek out the information for ourselves.

This is despite our home, school, workplace and place of worship being on the flight path. The plan to bring back cargo aviation to Manston is a horrific prospect to us. The proposal to also allow these planes to fly all night is also a nightmarish scenario to us.

We were hoping to see the site used in a more sustainable, "green", modern and varied way.

Our area needs more housing and because the council can't approve housing on the former airfield site they are currently building in the villages including ours. Who will want to live in these houses if cargo flights begin?

We feel that the closure of Manston was the opportunity to bring something fresh and new to the economy of Thanet, rather than rehashing the same old ideas.

Our village is being affected by these proposals already (the indiscriminate house building) and will be further affected if the plans go ahead.

The noise pollution will be considerable. It will result in sleep being disturbed for us and our children. We know how loud these planes are.

The noise will also be damaging to our children's education, our excellent local primary school is also on the flight path.

The air pollution will also be appalling, not only from the planes but also the extra lorries on the local roads.

So we lose on all accounts if this project goes ahead. Our local area will suffer, our school will suffer, our children will suffer, our workplace will suffer, our health will suffer, our family life will suffer and our future will suffer.

Please give consideration to just how badly this proposal for Manston will affect local people. We value our health and our sleep and our future. We want a bright future for Thanet, not a dirty, noisy, polluting one.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs.Eaves.