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I wish to offer support for the reopening of Manston as an airport.
I retired to the area in 2009, having previously lived and worked in close proximity to Heathrow.
I have first hand knowledge of the benefits that an airport brings:

- 1) Increased employment opportunities for all. This has positive outcomes for the community and financial benefits for families and the locality.
- 2) Improved training opportunities in both further education and apprenticeships. This is positive as it provides a future for everyone.
- 3) Educational training through the offering of work experience placements, which provide a view of possible life pathways and careers.

In my role as Assistant Head of a Slough Secondary school, and as a member of the board at 'Pitstop'! I was responsible for the Alternative Education that was offered to both our children and many others within Slough. In these roles I worked closely with BAA, a number of airlines, aviation engineering and cargo companies. They provided financial support, training opportunities, career presentations and staff expertise, which were invaluable.

I have had informal discussions with River Oak, and am of the opinion that they too would be very supportive. I was very impressed with the content of their proposals, which included reference to these matters. The opportunities to support the local and wider community are endless!

In summary, the 'positives' provide by an airport far outweigh the negatives.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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