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Well , its been a long haul since this airport closed and one hopes it will again be a main player in Thanet. As we need business in this area not more houses which will only enhance the rich, but put an ever increasing strain on the community with regards. Schools, Hospitals, Social care etc.

Lets get down to what I think about getting this airport up and running once more:

1. it will create work for the area.
2. it will enhance the area and make it more accessible to potential businesses.
3. Divert freight from main airports which will help in environmental pollution of cities and danger to air disasters. Thus freeing up passenger planes and increasing passengers for city routes..

Looking at the future which we should always review, is that the population is growing and we need better ways of dealing with freight and the movement of people.

In technology, within 10 years we could be looking at hyper loop transport systems that will take minutes to connect main cities.

With regards to freight, my plan would be to utilize Manston as a lorry/air freight rail transport link. We have the technology and could utilize the same rail freight system used in the channel tunnel to transport freight to various Rail Hubs through out the UK. From these hubs (say a radius of 200 miles [per hub) which could be used as distribution areas for that specific area. I would stop HS2 and look at creating distribution Hubs throughout the UK rails system. These would create more jobs around these hubs (Maintenance, repairs, support etc) and prosperity for northern areas especially. They would be mini industrial area.

Manston and the port of Ramsgate could be linked fairly easy creating a better use of both these facilities.

Looking at the actual road system at present and the higher cost of fuel and environmental pollution of the diesel engine. My option would be environmentally better for our future and transform Manston into an **International freight and distribution center**. Which is away from main towns and populated areas.

I would ask all involved with Manston to look ahead and give Manston airport your backing..

Find attached my previous comments.
Note, I can send map of possible UK hubs if required

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I as many Thanet people are against any housing complex being situated at manston airport. As the company that bought this site had no intention off making this airport work. If they had then why did they say that they would give it 2 years???? That was a scam and everyone new exactly what they had purchased this site for. I would expect that, if this land was only for industrial use they would drop it like a bombshell. Of course there would also be a concern with the Thanet constituency with the council members who backed this company.

The influx of over 9000 more people in Thanet would totally overwhelm the schools Doctors ,Hospitals, police and help organisations in this Thanet. Which are already stretched to breaking point. Also these new houses would only be affordable to people from outside this community. Not to those who are living in Thanet.

At this moment in time we need Big companies to come to Thanet, not small workshops that would only generate low employment.

My manston proposal:

This facility should be set up as part airport, but manly a freight hub to carry lorries on a rail network thought the UK. my reason for this is looking into the future, when the road net work in the UK would become overwhelmed with Traffic and not capable of moving goods through this congested system. (looking ahead)

My proposal would help the country and especially Thanet. It is a bold move that would assist this country in moving goods by rail and dropping of a strategic sites (Freight Hubs) though out the UK, and taking lorries of and already congested road system. I am sure that the Rail companies would benefit and keep pricing to a reasonable level. Also this would create jobs at these various freight hubs.

I would appreciate if my proposal be forwarded to the Transport minister for review.

I have attached a map and identified various freight Hubs. These can be changes to suite the area of distribution and also there would be facilities that do have the infrastructure to be change existing facilities.

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Colin john Bandick

Attachments

Officer's Response

Not yet available.

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