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Mr W Kapuscinski,



I am writing this submission as I am in total support of Manston Airport reopening, I have, after listening and questioning the applicants over the past few years come to the conclusion that, although an airport may have many faults, the reopening of Manston Airport will be of such great benefit not only to the local economy but to the UK as well, the local economy, of which I am certain you are fully aware of, is needing a dramatic injection of work and investment, but also a future for our younger generation. From my own prospective, I am a small business owner, I work together with my partner and am probably regarded as one of the smallest teeth in one of the smallest cogs in the UK economy, nevertheless, I, at times throughout the year, employ up to 5 people, all on an adhoc and part time basis, not a great deal may be said about this, but the bottom line is this, these people who I employ, and whom we pay way over the living wage, by design and because we believe in sharing wealth that has been created, take their hard earned pay, go home, and are then able to furnish their houses, pay bills, put food on the table, buy their children clothes, school uniforms and coats and shoes for the winter, its not a glamorous statement at all, but this is the reality of a small business employing local people.

With the possibility of Manston Airport reopening myself and other small business owners have brainstormed to come up with business proposals and ideas, that we could invest in using our own money that will create a spider web of work and money not only into the local community, but into the UK as a whole.

I have eight business ideas, which I could start from scratch, using my money, of which all will create jobs and prosperity. One of which I am going to outline to you, the others I would like to keep under my hat until such time is appropriate to approach the applicants and make a pitch to them, but I underline, it is the space, that reopening Manston Airport will create, that will give me, and others an opportunity to create jobs and permanent employment.

My business idea is as follows;

As I understand it, there are going to be several planes, if not more, parked up overnight at Manston Airport, all these planes will have engineers, pilots etc that will need ferrying to Local Hotels, where they can be fed and rested, ready for the following morning, when they will need to be returned back to the Airport, myself or others, could station executive 9 seater plus minibuses at the airport that are available to flight crews and others. In the great scheme of reopening an airport it is minute, titchy and small, nevertheless look at it from another angle, professional drivers, working in shifts, seven days a week would create full time employment, somebody to answer the phones, some garage to service the Executive minibuses who then could afford to take on young apprentices, to train them to be fully qualified mechanics, who they themselves have a trade, start a family and possibly buy a house. Just to keep a minibus in tip top condition does not only require a "local" economy to support it, but it needs input from other parts of the UK, insurance will need to be paid, parts for servicing will need to be manufactured and sourced, fuel will need to be transported to this region, all creating extra work and jobs throughout the UK.

This one idea could create at least 4-5 local full time positions, as well as some part time work, it will benefit the local garages through extra MOT & servicing work, the chap from the local tyre company will have more work to do, the cashier at the petrol station will have more customers, all creating wealth and prosperity into this local and UK economy, multiply this several times with different businesses over and over and over again, and this "spider-work" economy, although financially small, creates such an impact over the whole local economy as well as the UK, which will cost the taxpayer or the applicant absolutely nothing. This kind, and other small businesses will thrive and expand but only under the umbrella of Manston Airport reopening.

I write this submission to give you, the inspectors, an insight into how we locals feel about reopening Manston Airport, how it will affect many many people, some who will be skilled and some who will be unskilled, but all will be able to earn money, have a long term secure job, be able to provide for their families, but only with reopening Manston Airport.

Yours Mr W Kapuscinski

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