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1. The Advantages of Manston Airport to The-Isle-of-Thanet.

- 2. The Advantages of Manston Airport to The County of Kent.
- 3. How Manston Airport, under RiverOak Strategic Parteners plan could affect and enhance the U.K.
- 4. Why i Support this application.

1.the main advantage that the reopening of Manston Airport as a fully functioning airport could bring to the Isle of Thanet is the generation of work and jobs for the local people. The young people, especially in this area, need employment - they have one of the highest unemployment rates in the South East of England. (see*note1). The start-up of Manston as an airport should require local people to be trained in various aviation fields, as well as service and administration duties. Once the initial organisation is under way, local companies (Kent based) could be contracted to work on the airport and surrounding infrastructure, thus creating more jobs.

I understand that local people in the immediate and surrounding area would be worried about noise and pollution from the take off and landing of aircraft at Manston. The new aircraft seem to be much quieter than the old polluting and noisy Russian jets that used to land at Manston. Within the foreseeable future, electric powered take off and landing could be starting to appear.

- 2.I think that the County of Kent should have it's own major airport catering for business, freight and passengers. My recent experience of travelling by air to Newcastle from Gatwick has convinced me that local airports have major advantages over vehicular travel in this country (see*note 2). Yet again, as in local advantages, the County of Kent should gain from attracting business and tourists to the area.
- 3.By reopening Manston Airport,i think that this would show that this country is open to explore and for investment thro' an additional gateway into this country via. Kent,other than the traditional entry points of Gatwick and Heathrow. This would also show that this country is moving forward with it's infrastructure plans, thus attracting other countries throughout the world and creating an interest in us as a global player.
- 4.I support this application for the D.C.O. by RiverOak Strategic Parteners because i feel that R.S.P. are showing a real interest in the local area and people and i genuinely believe that they have the drive and backing to achieve their plans to enhance and develop Manston, The Isle of Thanet and County of Kent.

*Notes!

- 1.See attached sheet "Strategic Commissioning-Analytics,Kent County Council"December 2018.
- 2.My Personal Experience
- 3.General:my assumptions if the D.C.O. is Approved.

Signed: C.W. Smith (20014831)

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Unemployment by age group - % of all unemployed	
December 2018 Kent Great Brit	tain
% of all	% of all
Number unemployed Number une	employed
18-24 4,305 21.1% 180,715	18.9%
25-49 10,335 50.7% 519,815	54.3%
50-64 5,705 28.0% 253,250	26.5%

