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Subject: Re: Manston DCO
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Manston DCO

As a Thanet resident that has previously objected to RSP and their DCO application I would like to do so again and the following is just a few of the reasons as to why. The tone of my objection reflects RSP's approach to the DCO process.

RSP's application:

RSP's initial application was different in many parts from what they told people at their consultation. So different that I've noted residents referring to it as a CONsultation with emphasis on the word con. Now, at this late stage of the DCO examination stage, RSP's application is quite different from where it started. In fact, it seems to change by the day and sometimes minute. This renders any detailed objection from someone like myself extremely difficult to compose and somewhat pointless as the detail will likely have changed by the time someone reads it. One could be excused from thinking the applicant is making it up as they go along.

RSP funding:

My interpretation is that RSP need to show that they've got compensation funds available and that they reckon, with a fair wind behind them on a lucky day, that they can conjure up the £300 million build out costs from the secret queues of willing wealthy investors looking to see little to no return within their lifetime. Assuming that this extremely favourable criteria for an underfunded start-up is correct, then it is of little surprise that RSP have come to an extremely low compensation figure using noise contours that differ from real lived experience and noise levels higher than other airports that actually exist. So low that it's been questioned and residents have funded a proper set of noise contours from the Civil Aviation Authority which could to produce a real figure. Should the ExA warrant that this examination process is in the public interest to proceed then I would insist that real data be used rather than RSP's.

RSP's business plan:

It became clear during the examination that RSP either do or don't have a business plan and that either Dr Sally Dixon or someone else either did or did not write it. What became even clearer is that Dr Sally Dixon has never done one and doesn't know how to do them. In light of this, it is of little surprise that RSP's projected figure of 17,100 ATM's is 122% of the market available. One could be forgiven for thinking that RSP have plucked a figure from the air to qualify for NSIP status. RSP need to produce a business plan that bears independent scrutiny and backs up their audacious predictions for national dedicated air cargo domination.

Night Flights:

As the examination proceeds it's become increasingly clearer that RSP either do or don't intend to have night flights. The only thing that is not clear is what RSP are going to call these flights. However, we do know that they will or won't call them scheduled or programmed or emergency or humanitarian. It would be helpful if RSP committed to their stance on chartered flights as that's where the business they claim to want to attract

actually is and was when the real airport operated in the real world.

Sherlock Oldale

Sent from my iPhone

On 14 Jan 2018, at 4:22 pm, Aaron Oldale [REDACTED] > wrote:

Dear PI

I'm writing as a resident of Ramsgate who's recently received an email from a company currently calling itself 'RSP' informing me that they are planning yet another inadequate round of consultations pertaining to their attempted land grab of some 800 acres of brownfield land formerly known as Manston Airport. My question for you is thus: seeing as every independent report into the viability of an airport at Manston has come to the same conclusion, that it simply isn't viable, it seems ridiculous that RSP can continue to blight an entire district indefinitely. So can RSP continue indefinitely in their pre-application? It would be a substantial flaw in the planning process to allow a company with no evidence of any funds whatsoever to create such uncertainty to an entire district based upon a totally unviable business plan with no recourse for their actions or time limit. Please can you let me know if this is the case.

Regards
Aaron Oldale

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