

**MANSTON AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER EXAMINATION  
SUBMISSION TO DEADLINE 9:  
Comments on Information requested by the ExA and received from the  
Applicant to Deadline 8 and Comment on PD-018**

**Community – Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance**

1. We respectfully submit the Table below for the attention of the Examining Authority with supporting evidence to show that **a great number of Ramsgate’s working Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance** that are identifiable by a desktop search (together the (“**Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance**”) are predicted to exceed the 51 dB LAeq 16 hr noise contour.
2. As you will be aware this Table evidences clearly a very high level of community areas materially impacted by noise **with a majority of these Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance impacted at levels >57 dB LAeq 16 hr noise contour** including ones of great historical importance.
3. Our Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance cater for many religions – Catholic, Methodist, Anglican, Church of England, Judaism as well as Hindu – dating from 1062 to 1957 as well as offering community services such as Narcotics Anonymous.
4. Many of our Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance are Grade I and/or Grade II listed buildings and of historical importance.
5. In addition, the majority are working Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance with services for the public.
6. This is of particular concern in light of the socio-economic demographic of Ramsgate and perhaps engages the Equality Act 2010. We note that an Equality Assessment was untaken as part of the Airports National Policy Statement in relation to other proposed airport developments at LGW-2R, LHR-ENR and LHR-NWR<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup>[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/713315/airports-nps-equality-assessment.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/713315/airports-nps-equality-assessment.pdf)

7. As the Examining Authority will be aware under Section 6 of the Appraisal of Sustainability: Airports National Policy Statement Non-Technical Summary of June 2018 the proposed scheme must:
- (a) **avoid or minimise negative effects** on community viability, including housing, **facilities and indirect effects**,
  - (b) avoid or minimise **disproportionate impacts of any social group**,
  - (c) maintain and where possible **improve the quality of life for local residents** and the wider population,
  - (d) **minimise and where possible reduce noise impact** on human receptors,
  - (e) **conserve and enhance undesignated habitats**, species, valuable ecological networks and ecosystem functionality,
  - (f) **conserve and where appropriate enhance heritage assets** and the wider **historic environment** including **buildings, structures, landscapes, townscapes** and archaeological remains.
8. The Applicant's proposed scheme fails on all of the above counts (bold added for emphasis).
9. There are no feasible means of mitigation for the above Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance which are spread throughout Ramsgate.
10. We therefore respectfully request the Examining Authority to make a **robust recommendation** to the Secretary of State to **refuse to grant the Applicant's DCO**.

**Table**

**Community – Churches, places of Worship and/or Remembrance that Fall within Each of the Noise Contours**

No.	Noise Contour <sup>2</sup>	Community – Churches, places of	Open to Public for Services	Year Built
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<sup>2 2</sup> Map showing noise contours commissioned by Five10Twelve Limited and produced by the ERCD of CAA overlaid onto a google map

		<b>Worship and/or Remembrance</b>		
	> 57 dB LAeq (purple)	Christ Church  Grade II Listed building Status	Working church with services (Anglican)	1847
	> 57 dB LAeq (purple)	St Laurence-In-Thanel Church <sup>3</sup>	Working church with services (Church of	Founded in 1062 and is the oldest church

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<sup>3</sup> St. Laurence-In-Thanel Churchyard, you walk in the footsteps of Elizabeth I, William Pitt, the Duke of Wellington, William IV, Queen Victoria and many other well-known dignitaries. Consecrated in 1275, the churchyard covers three and a half acres and contains over 1,400 graves. Before stone memorials became common in the 17th century the churchyard was used to graze sheep and pardoners used the space to preach in the open air. More recently the churchyard was closed to burials and a Memorial Garden was created for the interment of ashes. As well as the valuable social history, the churchyard is an oasis for flora and fauna. Managed for the benefit of wildlife, the grass is not cut regularly and certain areas are left uncut to encourage wild flowers and food for wild creatures. Blackbirds, Wrens, Blue Tits, Robins, Jays and Green Woodpeckers are regular visitors. Butterflies include Speckled Wood, Red Admiral, Small Copper, Painted Lady and Common Blue. There are also Ladybirds, Dragonflies and several types of Bee and Spider. Following the burst of colour from Crocuses and Primroses in the Spring, Summer Flowers include Bluebells, Cow Parsley, Ox-Eye Daisies, Spear Thistles, Greater Knapweed and Arum Maculatum ('Lords and Ladies'). The churchyard is home to mature Oak, Yews, Poplars, Sycamores, Fir Trees and Holly. Ivy grows over old boundary walls providing important nesting sites for the birds and a food source in the Winter. As many species of bird and butterfly become endangered the environmental potential of St. Laurence-In-Thanel Churchyard is clear. There are over 1,400 graves in the churchyard. One of the earliest graves is of George Skinner, born in 1594, buried in 1656 who was alive during the time of Oliver Cromwell. Several luminaries rest their bones here; SIR WILLIAM GARROW: 1760 - 1840 The eminent Lawyer, Barrister and Politician; recently the subject of a TV series 'Garrow's Law', who was responsible for that cornerstone of British law - 'Innocent until proven guilty'. JOHN COLLIS BROWNE: 1819 - 1884 The doctor who invented Chlorodyne, originally a treatment for Cholera but which became a 'miracle cure' for everything from colds and diarrhoea to whooping cough, neuralgia and rheumatism. COLONEL CROMWELL MASSEY: 1742 - 1845 Who died in 1845 aged 103. Having fought for the East India Company against the Sultan of Mysore, he was captured and thrown into a dungeon for three years and nine months. After retirement he spent his last 11 years in Ramsgate. CAPTAIN JOHN WOOLWARD: 1780 - 1836 Having fought with Nelson at Aboukir he then became Harbour Master at Ramsgate for 26 years. D'ESTE MAUSOLEUM The resting place of two grandchildren of George III. Grandson Augustus Frederick had the mausoleum built for his mother, Lady Augusta Murray. She married the sixth son of George III in 1773 who became the Duke of Sussex and a favourite Uncle of Queen Victoria. Under the Royal Marriages Act of 1772, the marriage was ruled invalid and the couple parted in 1801. In the mausoleum are Lady Augusta, her parents - the Earl of Dunmore and his Countess, Lady Augusta's son, daughter and son-in-law - Baron Truro. Ramsgate road names remember the family - Augusta Road, Augusta Steps, Truro Road and D'Este Road. [http://www.stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk/stl\\_church-tours/](http://www.stlaurenceparish-ramsgate.org.uk/stl_church-tours/)

		Grade I Listed building Status	England)	in Ramsgate
	> 57 dB LAeq (purple)	Hadres Street United Church	(Working church with services Methodist/United Reformed)	1957
	> 57 dB LAeq (purple)	Kent Thanet Amman Temple	Hindu temple	
	> 54 dB LAeq 16 hr (pink)	St Augustine Church and Shrine.  It became St Augustine's official shrine on March 1, 2012, recognising the Saint's arrival near Ramsgate in 597AD.  Heritage Lottery funded Visitor Centre was completed in 2017  Grade I Listed building Status	Pilgrims are welcome each day at the Shrine Mass  Working Catholic church with services every day, to which all are welcome	In 597 AD Saint Augustine landed in Ramsgate Thanet. A shrine existed in Ramsgate from 604 AD until 1538 AD.  Augustus Pugin designed and built the church in 1848
	> 54 dB LAeq 16 hr (pink)	St George's Church and churchyard  Grade I Listed building Status	Key Ramsgate community services throughout the year	1824
	> 54 dB LAeq 16 hr (pink)	Sailor's Church  Grade II Listed building Status	Open to public	1878
	> 51 dB	St Ethelbert's RC	Open 8:30am-4:00	1902

	L <sub>Aeq</sub> 16 hr (yellow)	Church	pm Weekdays and 8:30am -1:00pm Weekends	
	> 51 dB L <sub>Aeq</sub> 16 hr (yellow)	St Luke's Church	Working church with services	1876
	> 51 dB L <sub>Aeq</sub> 16 hr (yellow)	Montefiore Synagogue & Mausoleum  Both buildings are now Listed Grade 2* and the Synagogue has been designated by Jewish Heritage UK as one of the Top Ten Synagogues of Britain.  Ramsgate Jewish Cemetery (1872)	Access to the synagogue for prayer or for interested visitors may be arranged by appointment through the Executive Director of the Montefiore Endowment: it may also be booked for weddings and other events.	1833

