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I have just learnt the following:

"The Examiners are proposing adding the following requirement to the DCO.

Requirement 1%:

"No passenger air transport departures can take place between the hours of 09.00 and 12.00 and no passenger air transport arrivals can take place between the hours of 07.00 and 08.00."

With the stated reason for this being that:

"In order to ensure that vehicle movements associated with passenger arrivals and departures do not impact on the am peak period...."

When KLM were running a CityHopper feeder to Amsterdam, there were 2 morning flights (4 movements) :

KLM1516 MSE-AMS dep 0635

KLM1519 AMS-MSE Arr 1005

KLM1520 MSE-AMS dep 1040

KLM1523 AMS-MSE Arr 2045.

Flights were operated by Fokker-70 with 78 seats.

All have now been withdrawn from services, replace by the Embraer-175 with 88 seats."

My comments would be:

1. The restrictions are too restrictive. When people are going off on holiday they normally (well I do), want to get to their destination early in the day.
2. Is the traffic that had in that area? Have traffic surveys been done?
3. Would the fast train link be re-routed to take into account the airport? Which, if utilised, (and encouraged), would impact far less on the roads in the Manston area.

My Wife and I would certainly take advantage of the fast train link (from Ashford) if it were available.

I don't know who is responsible for dreaming up the suggested restrictions but how would any other airport react?

On average, Gatwick airport has 45-50 flights a night in the summer, and 18-20 a night in the winter. There are no restrictions whatsoever, other than capacity considerations, during the day even though there are some holdups locally but then we are talking of tens of thousands of passengers, not hundreds as in the case of Manston. The suggested restrictions, in my opinion, are completely unjustified.

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