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To: [Manston Airport](#)
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Dear Sirs

The Examiners are proposing adding the following requirement to the DCO. Requirement 19c:

“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....”

Having carefully considered the RiverOak document: 5.2-20 - Environmental Statement - Volume 20 - Transport Assessment Appendix F: It would seem that despite the concerns of the Examiners, the roads (the present transport infrastructure) with minimal, but sensible, upgrading (at certain points of possible traffic congestion) will be able to adequately cope with any forecast additional vehicles feeding to and from the airport during 3 hour period to which they refer. Furthermore, I would suggest that there is no justification in proposals regarding the upgrading of the road transport infrastructure in the vicinity of the airport as wholly being the responsibility of RiverOak. The TDC and KCC have an equal responsibility to the public to not only improve the quality of access roads into and out of the Isle of Thanet, but also it is incumbent upon them to contribute towards the improvement of the roads in the close proximity to the present airport.

That aside it is obvious to me that within the text of Requirement 19c there is a very important word missing - “scheduled”. Even so, these suggested restrictions on operations at Manston are far too draconian (unjustly harsh or severe). Whilst I might agree that “scheduled” flights of large or wide bodied passenger jets carrying in excess of 200 passengers might impose some additional strain on the present road system during the particular times referred to, I nevertheless believe that to ensure a successful and profitable initial start up of airport the new operators must not be shackled by a hypothetical not yet proven statement claiming such operations would give rise to an excessive and unsustainable increase in road traffic in the area.

If there has to be a Requirement 19c might I suggest the following more reasonable amendment to the initial proposal:

During the first two years of renewed air operations at Manston Airport all scheduled passenger air transport departures planned between the hours of 09.00 and 12.00 and scheduled passenger air transport arrivals planned between the hours of 07.00 and 08.00 are to be restricted to aircraft types with a passenger carrying capacity of 200 or less. These hours of operational flying are subject to changes between GMT and BST.

Following the two year restriction on passenger air transport arrivals/departures during these hours of operation a review should be

undertaken to determine as to whether Requirement 19c be maintained or removed.

Yours sincerely
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