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Reference your proposal that there should be no passenger flights between 9.30 – 11.30 is in my view ludicrous.

- Firstly, that is the peak time for business men to travel for their work.
- Its the peak time for holidaymakers to fly off for their connecting flights.
- Traffic congestion around the airport is a non starter, if I remember rightly the KLM planes were very small, they only had I think 3 a day if my memory serves me well. I flew from Manston often and in no way was I caught up in any form of traffic jam, the airport had parking, the M2/Thanet Way was always running very well with the exception of an accident of course.
- If the thousands of houses are to be built at Manston – now that would cause a gridlock of traffic, looking at the local plans there is no new major roads going to be built.
- I travel from Ramsgate to Margate once a week, it is now quicker for me to get a train as I can get there quicker – from being caught up at Westwood Cross.
- Manston would in fact ease the congestion from thousands of houses, true it would see cargo personnel and lorries but this is infinisable compared with thousands of houses with at least 2 maybe 3 cars each?
- Doctors surgeries at Margate and Ramsgate rely on practice nurses and paramedics to see patients first before referring if they feel it is necessary to a doctor if indeed one is around. I personally waited 6 weeks for an appointment and then it was cancelled. They are not qualified as a doctor. I asked why no doctors and was told various reasons; over worked, too many courses they have to attend, early retirement as they are stressed up working late nights, writing a report on any child that comes in with a bruise on his head, half of the residents dependent on drugs – it went on and on. No provision has been given for extra surgeries or hospital if houses were built, even if extra surgeries were in the provision it is quite clear that no professional person wants to work in Thanet because of the high unemployment, crime and unsocial behaviour, I.e. just tonight - stabbing a dog which was bound up and throwing it in the sea – the [REDACTED] crime here in Thanet is getting worse. Plus the Council want to bring more undesirables from the London Boroughs on Benefits to East Kent draining the even more overworked doctors and a failing hospital. It beggars belief.

I was fortunate to be brought up in Ramsgate when it was a jewel, nice people, a Lido, a fun fair, model village, hoverport, activities like crazy golf, a boating pool, beautiful gardens, lovely shops – now all gone – an airport would bring new jobs into the area, inject money into a very deprived area and turn it around again.

Please consider these facts very carefully, we need work and an airport with sensible operating times to allow business men to come and work in Thanet. People flying into Gatwick, travelling to Thanet, taking a least a day longer, clogging up even more the congested roads is a non starter. We `do not want anymore houses in an already very congested, gridlocked part of Thanet, and being judgemental and I admit it, no more Benefit scroungers draining a very depleted service NHS service, we want professional people to come and live here and reinvest money into Thanet.

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