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Please consider investment in the community and the area's economy and welfare, by re opening this airport.

The foundation for a local employer and a sustainable revenue generator is already onsite, and seems too good an opportunity to start from scratch elsewhere.

Even if re opened as air freight only, a box would be ticked as helping toward a solution for an anticipated increase in air traffic over the coming years.

Access roads to site are mostly low gradient, dual carriageway suited to heavy goods, or a general increase in traffic.

Stimulation of any expansion or extension of high speed rail links that exist close by would follow.

Local business would gravitate and prosper, not to mention the employment opportunities onsite.

I own property on a development repurposed from redundant military use.

It works; the development is successful and has expanded over the years as popularity has grown.

There is no argument that plots of land with existing infrastructure are valuable.

The reality is, a new airport in the region WILL get built at some point in the future.

There is no redundancy for the need of a plot of land for the correct purpose.

A plot such as Manston which already ticks many **regulatory, positional, and availability** boxes for air travel has to have serious consideration as a contender.

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