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Manston Airport

Subject: Objection to RSP's proposal to reopen airport as a cargo hub

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I am a resident of Ramsgate -

I object to RSP's proposals for the following reasons:

Noise nuisance: The kind of transport which seems to be envisaged is likely to be at the noisier end of what is universally accepted as a a disruptive industry. The effects on physical and mental health of disruptive noise are well documented and particularly deleterious to the health of children and young people. The proposal envisages flights at intervals of up to every ten minutes. The effects on Ramsgate residents would be disastrous. This would especially be so in the case of night flights whether designated as scheduled, planned or even 'late arrivals.'

Nature of the planned development: Ramsgate is only slowly emerging from a period of great social deprivation and poverty. It needs investment and regeneration which builds on its many advantages as a beautiful and historic seaside town within easy reach of London and prepares the town for the 21st century rather than this proposal which looks to the industries of the past. Tourists and new workers are hardly going to be attracted to a town blighted by low flying transport planes and the small number of jobs created would swiftly be offset by making the town unattractive to other kinds of development.

Housing: Thanet will (whether current residents like it or not) have to take its share of the new housing universally agreed to be essential. Using part of the essentially 'brownfield site' at Manston, as proposed by its current owners, will in effect protect Thanet's remaining farms and countryside from being built over.

Overall RSP's ambitions are for the wrong kind of development at the wrong time and in the wrong place. I, and I think most Ramsgate residents, object.

Sent from my iPad