From:
To: Manston Airport

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Dear sir/madam

I was very shocked to hear that you have delayed the decision on the Manston airport DCO until May. As a resident of Ramsgate and someone who has great interest in the reopening of the airport, I do not understand why you have extended the decision for another 4 months and asked for even more information from interested parties months after the deadline for the submission on this case had closed. I'm also very concerned that you have accepted more submissions, after the closure date of July 2019, by one particular Ramsgate resident that has an axe to grind over the reopening of Manston as an airport.

I cannot see how you change the rules of the DCO as it is layed out, and the decision period has now somehow gone from 3 months to 7 months. I am strongly in favour of the airport reopening, the area needs the investment, and desperately needs good quality jobs. I understand that RSP has invested in the region of £40 million so far in the airport project. This delay will, I'm sure affected their ability to move forward, and also incur more legal costs. Please bring the Manston Saga to an end as quickly as possible, so the people of Ramsgate and Thanet as a whole can improve a very poor employment black spot, and bring some well needed prosperity to the area.

Yours sincerely Robin Laurence