

**31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**  
**Manston Airport DCO post-examination submission.**

I write on behalf of Commuters Against The Cargo Hub (CATCH), a Facebook-based action group of 30 people.

We are an interested party opposed to the DCO allowing Manston to be developed as a cargo airport. We have already submitted to, and spoken in person at, the PINs Examination process.

Following the SOS's request for comments on post-examination submissions by fivetentwelve, and also the appropriateness of Riveroak to undertake this project, we would like to offer the following response.

Below are 21 reasons why the SOS should reject the DCO.

The DCO is designed to be a front-loaded procedure. The Applicant began their DCO application process in 2016. Despite this the Applicant still has:

- No aircraft.
- No airspace agreement
- No status as an aerodrome operator.
- No current capacity to fly aircraft.
- No agreed site for re-locating the MOD's High Resolution Direction Finder
- No investors.
- No confirmed business partners to run the airport
- No UK-registered business address
- No transparent source of funding.
- No expert cargo market projections.
- No business plan.
- No successful track record in managing or developing airports.
- No accurate noise contour maps.
- No realistic plan for mitigating damage to heritage assets
- No accurate budget for mitigating noise effecting local residents and schools.
- No accurate or consistent environmental impact report.
- No meaningful investigation into the jobs, businesses and economy the airport will damage.
- No support from local council.
- No regard for presenting the public and the planning inspectors with truth.
- No proven case for Manston as an NSIP.
- No credibility.

All evidence of the above is contained within the Planning Inspectorate examination submissions from fivetentwelve, No Night Flights, Stonehill Park and other local action groups and residents including all post-examination submissions.

Yours sincerely,

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