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To: Manston Airpor

Subject: Re: "For the attention of the Manston Airport Case Team".

Date: 14 June 2021 10:57:02

James, sorry just re-read my email below and corrected a few typos so please forward this and not the first sent.

Thanks Diana

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From: Manston Airport < Manston Airport@planninginspectorate.gov.uk >

To: Diana White

Sent: Mon, Jun 14, 2021 10:33 am

Subject: RE: "For the attention of the Manston Airport Case Team".

Dear Ms White

Thank you for your email; I confirm receipt of your response to the latest consultation in respect of the re-determination of the Manston Airport application for development consent. It will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for consideration.

Kind regards

James

Manston Airport Case team

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From: Diana White

Sent: 14 June 2021 06:57

To: Manston Airport < Manston Airport@planninginspectorate.gov.uk >

Subject: "For the attention of the Manston Airport Case Team".

I am writing in support of the need for Manston airport to open once again as an airport. It not only has important historical links, which will be lost for ever, it's geographically in an important position, close to London, with fast and easy access on high speed trains and easy access to Europe. It was always well used with EU Jet and then later with KLM and would be again if it were to re-open. It would help regenerate this area too.

While I understand there is an argument for housing, the government need to address this need from a more practical perspective. Developing pockets of land here and there is not judicious nor is it ever successful, generally with poor public services in place. Governments and planners need to think about building 'new towns' rather than extending existing villages, which just drains local resources, putting immense pressure on the existing services. Small developments in 'spare' fields, in-filling which just produces sprawls of pastiche developments with no thought of the existing infrastructure. More importantly more people = more vehicles which creates congestion as infrastructure is poor/restricted and leafy lanes become over used rat runs. Lanes and villages never designed, nor suitable, for the extra volume of vehicles using them. We have just had roads closed off where I live and the return of nature, hares, badgers, rabbits, owls, buzzards; animals I have not seen in the 40 years I have lived here has staggered me. These are the creatures that suffer too.

Furthermore, the jobs created in an airport is crucial for an area with little employment. This is very evident if you drive in an out of Thanet first thing in the morning and from 5.00 - 7.00 in the evening. I have spent years working in Broadstairs and driving from where I live in Minster I see the traffic leaving the island, queues of vehicles, which are literally bumper to bumper leaving the 'island', where as I drive straight through with no problem into Broadstairs. On my return the same happens again but in reverse. The traffic returning is again bumper to bumper in one two mile + line. This proves one thing, the majority of people living here have to leave the area for work and this is because there is little employment in the area. Development of houses will provide work, but only for the duration of construction so maybe for a couple of years only. Once the houses are built there will be no work and the people moving in will all be driving back out for work.

We need to generate employment not exhaust the services we have. The argument of noise given by many is vacuous, the airport was here long before most local people were born, added to that no one can move into a house with a train line at the end of their garden and then demand it be re-routed and this is what has happened here. The people complaining have moved here in recent years but the airport was already here.

Regards Diana White

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