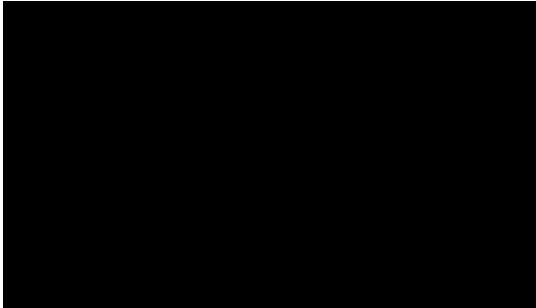


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Vince Francis



Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing once more in reference to Manston Airport & its re-opening. Much has been said about the Airport, but as a nation we need future slots for aircraft. Brexit has shown that we will become more dependant on cargo being brought in from all over the world & aircraft is the quickest way this will happen. Heathrow & Gatwick when they are back up running are at capacity as we all know. If the 3rd runway at Heathrow is not built, then we need more runways. Manston is already there to be used, it can be up & running far quicker than any new runway to be built. Cargo flights are increasing, I see this on Cargo news, there are many more new planes being built for the purpose of carrying cargo only.

Not only does the UK need this development, but so Thanet needs employment, this could be a game changer for an area already suffering some of the highest unemployed in the Country. Much has been made about the negative impact on Thanet, especially Ramsgate, but as a businessman who has lived & worked (and employed) here, there has to be a balance between the negative & positive impact. Many of the anti airport people are people who have recently moved into this area. They are more concerned about having a nice quiet life by the sea, than seeing the area pulled out of this hole that we are in.

The future of aircraft are much quieter engines, more efficient & from what I understand much greener. With these improvements, many of the negative comments people are making will all but be redundant. So I urge you to look at this development & understand that we as a community need these jobs it will create. Over time it has the potential to create many direct & indirect jobs. We would also be playing our part in the future prosperity of UK Plc

Thank you for your time

Vince Francis