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To: 
Subject: Manston Airport, Thanet
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Dear sirs,

Please find attached my letter in support of the opening of Manston Airport and my reasons for backing it.

Regards,

Mrs S Maynard

20th June 2021

For the attention of The Manston Airport Case Team

Dear Sirs,

Re: the application to reopen of Manston Airport primarily for cargo

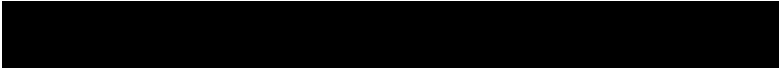
I would like to make the following points:

1. Thanet is a deprived area which would benefit greatly from the reopening of the Airport.
2. With the advent of Brexit it makes sense to have an up-to-date cargo hub situated just over the channel to save on food miles and have environmental benefits as there would not be the need for so many lorries.
3. Opening the airport would bring much needed skilled, well paid jobs so our young people would be able to stay in the area.
4. Opening the airport would bring businesses to the area and be of great benefit to those business already located here.
5. Its proximity to the ports of Dover and Ramsgate, and the road and train links to the rest of the country make it a good location.
6. The uplift of the airport to this forgotten part of the South East would be phenomenal enabling much need infrastructure, services and schools etc to be improved. The quality jobs it will bring will also help greatly with the economy of the area.

Please let us have our airport back as it will be such a benefit to the area.

Yours faithfully.

Mrs S. Maynard



Sent: 04 July 2021 19:17

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

Subject: Reopening of Manston Airport

Dear Sirs,

Please find attached my letter explaining my reasons for the re-opening of Manston Airport.

I do hope you find in favour of reopening it.

Regards, Mrs S Maynard



6th July 2021

For the attention of The Manston Airport Case Team

Dear Sirs,

Re: the DCO application to reopen of Manston Airport

Further to my letter of 20th June I understand you need more information on the following:

Benefit 1a: Runways/airport facilities - I believe the National Policy is not to remove runways but get the best use of existing ones - Manston has one of the longest.
The Thanet Local Plan shows the land is designated for aviation use only.

Benefit 1b: Location - Thanet is a deprived area, with low levels of employment (skilled or otherwise), lack of the suitable housing for local people and the poor health and life expectancy which comes from deprivation. Opening Manston Airport would offer well paid skilled and unskilled jobs and stop the young people from having to leave Thanet to earn a decent living wage.

COVID – when Covid hit it became apparent that a cargo airport situated at Manston would have made a great difference to getting in supplies from both Europe and the rest of the world. Thus avoiding the problem of relying on supplies coming by road from the Continent and all the chaos that happens when the French close Calais.

BREXIT – since the advent of Brexit it has become obvious that there is a need for a designated cargo airport to enable the reliable flow of goods. Especially in the light of the new trade agreements being awarded to countries like Australia, Japan etc. It would also stop the need for traffic solutions like Operation Stack when the Channel is blocked as there would be less lorries to crossing the channel.

Also, with more freight coming from all over the world, and passenger planes not having so much hold space, Manston would prove a great benefit to the supply line.

CARBON FOOTPRINT – Thanet is located in the South East corner and is surrounded on three sides by water so take off and landing would not be over populated areas. Also, by landing cargo at Manston there would not be the need for so many lorries criss-crossing the country as there is a planned rail link as well as a good road network.

Also, I believe the designers of the aircraft to be used are working on the technology to use biofuels and I believe RSP are fully in favour of this.

In conclusion: In my opinion the re-opening of Manston would be a really great asset to Thanet and the surrounding areas by

1. offering a good variety of quality jobs
2. hope for our young people
3. bring prosperity to this forgotten corner of England
4. RSP have shown their commitment to the area by supporting various community projects, etc and working hard to get this project off the ground.

Please, please, please look favourably on this DCO and let us have our airport back.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S. Maynard