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Dear Sirs

I feel compelled to write regarding the ongoing situation with Manston Airport.

I was amazed when its future was yet again put in doubt.

I have lived here pretty much all my life , and when Manston Airport was previously having cargo flights in the 1980's was living right under the flight path in Plains of Waterloo Ramsgate. Some of the reasons given by current residents, especially in Ramsgate are at best, unfounded. It is like living close to a railway line, you very quickly do not notice it. Also it is worth noting that in the '80's the planes were extremely noisy.

Sadly, Thanet has a high level of deprivation and very few quality jobs available. The children of the majority of my friends, including my own, have had to leave the area in order to succeed in secure, well-paid jobs as there is currently so little available for them here that offers long term prospects.

What is being proposed by RSP is nothing short of a lifeline for our area, and certainly a much needed facility for our country as a whole especially after Brexit when we will be able to strike trading deals worldwide, but to do this we desperately need an infrastructure that can cope with the new opportunities that lie ahead. Having freight vehicles arriving on the ferries in Dover may be fine for imports from Europe but not necessarily an option from other parts of the world especially for any perishable cargo.

I have followed the twists and turns relating to our airport over the years and find it very sad that a number of, often relatively new, Thanet residents want to be as obstructive as possible regarding such an exciting opportunity for our area. I have yet to see a viable argument for not backing RSP. One of the arguments which keeps raising its head is 'it has never been successful as an airport before'! That would be like saying there is no point in a restaurant opening in a particular location because no restaurant has been successful there previously. So please let RSP prove them wrong, let them prove how successful it will be and let's prove that we can be proud to live in such a thriving area.

I sincerely thank you for your attention.

Regards  
Anita Rothermel

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I would like to submit my thoughts regarding Manston Airport and the DCO submission.

Following Brexit, we are going to have the opportunity to trade with many countries around the world but a good freight infrastructure is required in order to source the products and using ferry companies is not viable for non EU countries. Manston has been designated for aviation use and could be a vital link for air freight going forward.

Thanet is an extremely deprived area and the opportunity for so many jobs for the future should be welcomed with open arms.

Riveroak have already invested so much money into this operation and we are delighted that a company such as theirs should want to use their vision and improve our futures and those of our children.

I ask you to consider all these points when deciding on the DCO - we so desperately need this investment in our area.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely  
Anita Rothermel

Broadstairs lifetime resident