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**To:** [Manston Airport](#)  
**Subject:** Re-determination of the Application by RiverOak Strategic Partners Ltd for an Order granting Development Consent for the reopening and development of Manston Airport in Kent.  
**Date:** 30 June 2021 20:43:08

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For attention of the Manston Airport Case Team

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write further to my previous email of 21st June from my partner Dennis Flint and myself in favour of the reopening and development of Manston Airport, and to all previous correspondence submitted to you that we wish you to consider still active and alive.

With regard to National Policies, these still apply; there have been no actual changes.

Thanet District Council Local Plan was adopted in July 2020. On page 30 of the plan there is the TDC Policy (SP07) on Manston Airport which safeguards it for airport related activities. Government has also committed to reinstating the existing runway at Manston Airport following the use of the land for lorry parking.

The Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS) was reinstated following a legal challenge so, as such, it is not a new Policy. Although it mainly relates to the 3rd runway at Heathrow, it refers to **Making Best Use of existing runways** (1.39, 1.41 and 1.42 on pages 11 and 12 plus 2.28 on pages 17 & 18).

There is also reference to "Need for Air Freight" (2.7 on page 14) and "Need for Increased Airport Capacity (see 2.10 to 2.18 on pages 15 and 16).

There are so many reasons why Thanet desperately needs what the reinstated Airport will bring. Deprivation here is rife. The health effects of unemployment and stress has a great toll on life expectancy - suicides and up to the loss of 19 years of normal life: Thanet is in the worst 10% of the Country - from Office of National Statistics.

Since Covid-19 and BREXIT there have been many changes that would warrant extra cargo provision. There is a large growth in on-line purchases that probably will not return to its previous Pandemic levels.

The new Australian and Japanese Trade Deals will need air links.

The frequent disputes at French Ports cause ferry delays, sometimes for days, so this again promotes the need for airfreight.

The forthcoming London Resort Theme Park in Kent will be a big draw to tourists - 12.5 million visitors are expected each year. What better than that they could fly to Manston; be transported from there to the new Parkway Railway Station, on to Ebbsfleet Station and to the Theme Park.

In addition to my previous comments on the education and jobs benefit of the reopening and development of the new Manston Airport, various Mori Polls show that the vast majority of Thanet people want the return of Manston Airport as a freight hub, leading eventually to passenger travel.

They know what a huge benefit such investment will bring and we must not waste a not-to-be repeated Local and National opportunity on the very small number of tutored-antis who are agitating to have this application overturned.

I look forward to your confirmation of receipt.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Gillian Emans

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At this time we want to promote the cause of NEED, to the United Kingdom and, from a local's point of view also, to Thanet.

The opening of a new, larger Airport by RSP will represent the best, biggest opportunity for Thanet ever as far as much needed employment, which it desperately needs and would be crazy to turn down.

RSP has promised re-employment of ex staff and local people - but one of the most exciting things is the connection with local schools, colleges and universities for education and training. Apprenticeships for our young people in all spheres of airport work is a wonderful opportunity and will give them hope for their future.

Nationally, the opportunity for the Country to

have a freight hub, just across the sea from Europe, must surely rate as a necessity and I hope it will be considered as such.

In addition, we feel that this is exactly the place to have an Airport as Manston has an excellent climate and rarely has snow or fog, which affects Gatwick and other airports. Also, on take-off the planes would be over the sea in minutes.

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