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**To:** [Manston Airport](#)  
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Dear Sirs

Common-sense should prevail and the RSP DCO application given the go-ahead for our deprived area.

I was born in Ramsgate just before WWII and have lived there all of my life (so far). I attended Clarendon House School and worked in a few different shops in Ramsgate's Harbour Street and High Street before becoming the office administrator at the Caffyn's garage in Grange Road. All of these were near or under the eastern approach for aircraft to Manston airport and I can easily say that neither I nor others, who I was at school with or worked with, ever found issue with noise from any aircraft. Over that time that included RAF, USAF and civilian aircraft based there at different times.

As I understand it the Thanet District Council's newest adopted Local Plan retains Manston Airport for aviation use only, ref [TDC Policy \(SP07\)](#).

The applicants for the DCO are now the owners of the airport and we should be supportive of their investment (some £30+m to date) and a further £300m or so waiting in the wings to get Manston operational again. The need is there as mentioned in the Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS) which advises **making best use** of existing runways and indicates the need for air freight and increased **airport capacity**: [see 1.39, 1.41 and 1.42 on pages 11 and 12 plus 2.28 on pages 17 and 18, also see 2.7 on page 14 and 2.10 to 2.18 on pages 15 and 16](#).

We have this being handed to us on a plate and it can only but bring more employment to the area, better people's lives and help such a deprived area with run-down town centres and little more than a few tourists each year when the weather is good. The latter doesn't sustain good employment opportunities for the young.

Do make a difference to the lives of those in East Kent and move the DCO forward to allow RSP to deliver its project and give our area hope for the future.

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