From: Manston Airport

**Subject:** For the attention of the Manston Airport case team

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Dear Sir,

Living and running our business so close to Manston airport, I have a vested interest in Manston reopening initially as a freight hub and secondly for selected passenger services along the lines proposed. When Manston was open we frequently used the flights from Manston to Manchester, Manston to Schiphol and Manston to Geneva both for business and pleasure.

If the plan was to build a new airport from scratch I could understand why there might be some local resistance to some sort of airport being built, but Manston is an established Airport with one of the largest and longest runways in the UK so it would be complete madness not to reinstate the facility, maximise what it can offer and incorporate all the other currently needed services and business opportunities.

Building just housing on the site is crazy, we already have huge housing developments in the area and no local jobs for the families that occupy the housing. Building developments create only short-lived employment – when the development is complete the jobs are gone!

Surely there must be a decision made on common sense. Reinstate the airport along the lines RiverOak have carefully and thoughtfully set out, create employment and encourage new business to this area of Kent that is so badly needed.

## Best regards





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