For the Attention of Manston Airport Case Team

My Ref 20014233

I am writing yet again to object to the granting of a DCO by the SOS for Transport in regard to Manston Airport.

In view of the current climate emergency, I see no logic in trying to develop a polluting and noisy cargo hub next to an historic seaside town. As the Government are currently pondering how modifications to existing housing can meet ambitious climate targets, it defies logic that, concurrently, I may be required to modify my house whilst cargo planes are newly sanctioned to fly low over my rooftop.

Ramsgate Town Council have now published an independent report from a highly regarded company, Alan Stratford Associates, clearly demonstrating that this venture cannot hope to demonstrate the need for such a venture required by a DCO.

I find it astounding that Sir Roger Gale is an advocate for RSP's plans whilst simultaneously very opposed to piecemeal housing being built on greenfield land in this area. The plan for housing on the airport brownfield site would have solved this problem so I fail to see why our local MP's are so vocal in their support of a cargo hub. They maintain that most residents want the cargo hub but can produce no evidence to prove this assertion.

Statistics show there was no need for such a venture pre pandemic and climate emergency commitments and from all reports I read, there certainly is no need now. Need being the very essence of awarding a DCO, I oppose this on those grounds alone.

You're faithfully

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