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Subject: Re: DCO consent order for the former Manston Airport, Thanet, Kent - 07/07/2021
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For the attention of: The Manston Airport Case Team

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: DCO consent order for the former Manston Airport, Thanet, Kent - 07/07/2021

As a resident of Ramsgate and having lived under the flight path of the previous commercial airport at Manston I would like to register my objection to any plan to reopen the airport. I believe it will be detrimental to the long-term welfare and prosperity of this seaside resort. How anyone can envisage an airport surrounded by sea on three sides, sharing highly congested roads with Dover, the busiest seaport in the United Kingdom, as anything other than some sort of ill-advised financial undertaking by off-shore investors is beyond my understanding and apparently that of the your own HM Planning Executive.

RSP who wish to reopen the airport published a glossy 48 page brochure laying out all their plans for the future development. This brochure, which was made available only to those who knew of, or could attend one of their consultation meeting, makes very interesting reading not for what it said but for what it did not say. That Ramsgate is:

- A town with 40,000 inhabitants.
- That the flight path is directly over the centre of Ramsgate.
- That the end of the runway is a mere half a mile from the edge of the town of Ramsgate.
- And like some very bad joke, or that we don't really matter. The RSP brochure mentions Ramsgate just 5 times in 48 pages.

Now you may think there is nothing strange there but let me assure you that under any other planning application of this significance the town and population of Ramsgate by the simple fact of their location would be the only matter under discussion. It appears that RSP have decided that as they cannot explain away the massive financial damage they would inflict upon our seaside resort and tourist industry once this airport is running, RSP have opted for the solution of pretending that Ramsgate DOES NOT EXIST!

Yours sincerely

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