From: Manston Airport

Subject: Mansion Cargo hub evidence **Date:** 08 July 2021 21:45:26

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing to submit evidence against the development of Manston Cargo hub. I'm a travel writer and I've written a number of National pieces on the wonderful town of Ramsgate and what it offers visitors. See links below so you can understand a little about our bustling, growing town:

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/united-kingdom/england/kent/articles/ramsgate-what-to-see-do/

https://www.loveexploring.com/news/67043/things-to-do-in-ramsgate

Nationally, 11% of people work in tourism but in Thanet that jumps to 19%. The government's own inspectorate said that an airport would decimate this industry and more people would lose jobs that gain employment at Manston.

TDC have declared a climate emergency and KCC has climate targets to meet. The UKs National carbon budget has already been allocated elsewhere.

There is no easy or cheap transportation to London or the rest of the country. There will be tens of thousands of extra lorries on the road (including fuel tankers) and there is no current technologies that will make these "green". There is also no National need for a freight airport. The inspectorate already came to that conclusion and nothing has changed since. They also said that there would be a detrimental affect on resident's health. This has not, and will never, change.

We live closer to this airport than anyone else does at British airports - our house is 2000 metres as the crow flies (closer to Heathrow than some of its car parks) and others live closer. But as it stands none of us will get compensation for sound proofing our homes.

I hope that you reach the logical conclusion that an airport isn't needed, isn't viable and would be detrimental to public health, the environment, schools and employment in the local area.

Rachel Mills.

