Dear reader,

I email to express my opinions and views with regards to the reopening of Manston Airport.

I am fully in favour of the airport running in the near future for both commercial (cargo) and passenger flights.

The way I see this issue is that the UK is already struggling for airport capacity and with the closure on Manston, we have removed the option of aircraft landing there even in an emergency. This can only serve to compound the capacity problem It seems really strange that we're taking houses down in Heathrow to build a new runway and at the same time letting a decent airport disintegrate

I believe from memory that Mick Jagger had to emergency land there one time. Should there be a problem with the main London airpprts, bad weather or a terrorist attack, etc., then some of the traffic could be diverted to Manston, just a short distance from London.

My other main beliefs about Manston opening again soon is that it will bring many new jobs back into the area and I am sure that you know that Thanet is pretty deprived and poverty sticken in some areas. Adding the jobs back to Manston will help boost the ecconomy in the area. Opening the Ferry port in Ramsgate too will have a large impact on the qualoty of lives of the newly employed.

I understand that some people have concerns about pollution amd noise, both of which are getting better as technology advances.

I urge you to make the decision in the favour of reopening the airport for at least the very important reasons given

It has a big historical place too which should not be over looked. It was heavily used during the war and boasts to have one of the longest runways in Europe.

I, like many others cannot wait to hear the good and exciting news and I look forward to seeing the Manston airport fully operational very soon.

Best regards Jason Kemp