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Manston Airport

Subject: Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 - Re-determination

of the application by RiverOak Strategic Partners Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for

the upgrade and reopening of Manston Airport.

Date: 09 July 2021 19:33:02

For the attention of the Manston Airport Case Team.

Sirs,

As a local resident I would comment as follows.

Despite the previous grant of consent by the Secretary of State, withdraw follow Judicial Review, nothing is seen in the new documents that would set aside the previous findings of the Planning Inspectorate in that the proposals essentially failed on all counts and that consent should no be granted.

In addition, and since July 2020, the Government has made great play about levelling up the North South imbalance of investment. If this proposal is, as is argued by the applicants, of National importance, its location as far South East within the country is at complete variance with the Governments stated aims of increasing investment and job prospects in the North of England.

It is essential the all aspects of potential pollution should be considered in this case including emissions from international aviation, both short and long term. The Governments has made the reduction of reliance on fossil fuels and reducing and the reduction of pollution from such fuels a matter of policy. Potentially increasing aircraft movements in and around this area of the South East, an area already overflown by routes out of Gatwick, Heathrow, Stansted, Southend, Luton and London City airports, can only conflict with these policy aims. At the same time the location of Manston is totally divorced for the majority of markets that one would assume that a project of National importance would serve, and must therefore rely on road transport for the onward movement of goods, leading to more pollution from road transport.

The Secretary of State is on this occasion urged to take greater note of the Planning Inspectorates original findings, and one hopes fresh findings, in this case and not grant consent.

Yours sincerely

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