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Here is my comment in answer to the report. I think I have to put it on PINS but haven't a clue how to go about that?

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We have an ever growing population in Thanet - with children leaving school with no hope. Manston would/should be operating as a freight airport which would then support associated industries, food handling, food production, preparation, catering industries and logistics. As well as aircraft maintenance, apprenticeships, security, admin, historical events, eventual passenger services the list goes on. It is an airport cited between two coastlines where if a plane was in trouble it would not affect high density housing at the moment. Manston has easy access to road and rail which is improving all the time with fast links to London. Strategically it must be one of the best placed airports as whether people agree or not we are entering a period of great uncertainty. The future will see us relying on more food imports and cargo (we hope?) we will need the capacity to handle this. Thanet is deprived, the populace are low earners in low earning jobs most people living on the edge with very little purpose in life. Manston would give that purpose that incentive to support high end salaries and high employment and other factors the roll out from this would be enormous benefiting everyone. This paragraph says to me in simple terms what we need our aims to be. I do not need to write a 5 page essay - this is base lines from a sensible human being that sees things as they are - and can 'read' the problems around the corner and know we need to act now so if you forgive my words - stop the rot in Thanet and give people a purpose give them sustainable work - coffee shops and art galleries are ideal if you can afford them - sadly many will not. Thanet needs work for its population which the airport will produce - it's our responsibility to secure the airport for our future generations or put them on the scrap heap which then brings all the social problems connected with that.....

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