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**To:** [Manston Airport](#)  
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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to **oppose** the re-opening of Manston airport. My reasons are as follows:

**Noise pollution**

The position of the runway couldn't be worse for causing environmental damage to the town of Ramsgate in terms of noise and pollution. I experienced at first hand the noise pollution from large aircraft flying low over my house in Ramsgate before the airport closed. Noise blighted the town.

**Lost jobs and economic blight**

Ramsgate is not a prosperous community, and the local economy relies heavily on visitors and tourism. Local people rely on visitors and tourism for employment. The airport as it was employed only 150 people most of them part-time. Therefore the airport has never been a significant employer in the area, and has made a negligible contribution to the local economy.

As well as a successful tourism industry, the town has recently become a thriving centre for artistic and musical industries. It has attracted many people from London who invest heavily in the area. Ramsgate has enjoyed a real boost since the airport closed, and these green shoots of progress would be destroyed if the airport were to reopen.

The figure put forward by RSP of 23,000 airport jobs is a pipe dream and would never be realised. Desperately needed jobs would be destroyed if the airport were to reopen.

**An airport is not needed**

Every independent report has concluded that an airport is not needed at Manston. The commercial failure of every previous incarnation of the airport demonstrates that an airport is not needed at Manston.

For these reasons, I ask you to reject this damaging proposal to reopen the airport.

Yours sincerely

Robert Beattie

