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To: [Manston Airport](#)
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I write as an interested party in connection with your recent letter regarding the redetermination of the Manston DCO.

In your letter you have asked for things which have changed since the examination.

Since the campaign for the reopening of Manston Airport began we have seen Cllrs that support the reopening and the DCO dominate proceedings at the council. Despite the council, under various colours, commissioning a number of their own independent reports from aviation experts that concluded an airport at Manston was not needed or viable and having been presented with other independently commissioned reports that confirmed the same, Cllrs have sought to discredit these reports and their evidence but without any grounds other than "we want an airport".

The council has recently undergone an audit which heavily criticised them for discrediting expert reports, not making decisions based on evidence and on many occasions ignoring officer opinion, proposals and decisions. Such criticism must extend to decisions made by Cllrs to support the airport and the DCO. On that basis I hope the SoS will discount any comments from Thanet District Council in support of the DCO as their decisions have not been made in an informed manner, based on evidence clearly available or in line with government framework regarding the operation of local councils.

Please confirm this submission will be accepted as a representation and be presented to the Secretary of State.

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