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Subject: RSP DCO Reference to upgrade and reopen Manston Airport - TRO20002-003503

Date: 28 June 2019 14:16:44

Dear Sirs,

In its second dDCO [PD-018] issued on 14 June 2019, the ExA proposed a new Requirement 19c. Surely the proposed further restrictions of daytime flights is totally inappropriate for any working airport, not just Manston.

My husband and I attended the Ramsgate No Night Flights (NNF) meeting on Friday, 7th September, 2018 at Chatham House & Clarendon School, to hear their interpretation of things regarding RSP's DCO for Manston Airport. Sadly, I found several items to be scaremongering and inaccurate; not least that they were quoting from the very first draft DCO submission and not the amended version! However, that aside, towards the end of that meeting, it was proposed by a member of the audience, knowing the huge, strong public support across Thanet FOR Manston Airport reopening, that to increase their voice with PINS, they ought to form several groups such as Small Businesses Against Manston Airport, Homeowners Against Manston Cargo Hub, Dog walkers against Manston Airport, Pensioners against Manston Airport, Nethercourt Action Group, etc. I think the ExA will find that most members of these groups originate from the No Night Flights group, so are the same people.

It seems to me and is only my personal opinion, that the NNF group are not just against Night Flights, but reading their similar, if not repetitive submissions, are against the airport reopening at all and are collectively and systematically trying to stop ALL future flights from Manston Airport.

Ramsgate and its Georgian/Regency style properties and other Grade II listed buildings directly under the flight path, all survived for around 100 years - until 2014, when the airport was shut. Passenger flights, noisy (now banned) freight aircraft, and the noisiest RAF and American Airforce aircraft ever, flew overhead. Knowing that, I believe that Ramsgate and it's buildings will survive again, with the Isle of Thanet's desperately needed reopened Manston Airport.

Manston Airport is needed to provide local jobs for the deprived area of Thanet, as well as for the wider East Kent community. Manston Airport is needed Nationally because of the desperate capacity situation at other London Airports in the South East, as well as saving the UK economy millions of pounds, daily, due to being forced to use other European airports, then trucking goods back into the UK.

I therefore object to any further restrictions on day flights, whether they are freight, RAF, or passenger flights.

Kind regards,

Angela Stevens.

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