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To: [Manston Airport](#)
Subject: For the attention of the "Manston Airport Case Team"
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Dear Sirs

I fully support the reopening of Manston Airport in line with RSP's DCO application, especially that they are the owners and have over £300m earmarked to achieve it.

I was born in Margate and have lived all of my life in Minster, other than when at university in Leicester.

I would really like to put my ICT degree to proper use locally but opportunities are so scarce even within commuting distance these days. For the younger ones of us we really need the airport to 'take off' so to speak to help with real meaningful employment opportunities.

Thanet District Council support Manston's revival, ref their latest adopted Local Plan (2020) retaining the airport for aviation use only [TDC Policy \(SP07\)](#). Neighbouring Dover District Council is also supportive of Manston's reinstatement and development

I attended Clarendon House Grammar School and never found any noise from any aircraft to be detrimental to my studies whilst there.

We have seen the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need for increased cargo movements into, out of and within the UK becoming more important than ever, especially with the huge increase in e-businesses. Even the Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS) advises **making best use** of existing runways and indicates the need for air freight and increased **airport capacity**: [see 1.39, 1.41 and 1.42 on pages 11 and 12 plus 2.28 on pages 17 and 18, also see 2.7 on page 14 and 2.10 to 2.18 on pages 15 and 16](#).

We have Manston on our doorstep just waiting to become the huge cargo hub that RSP has planned for it – all with private money!

Don't allow this opportunity for our area to lose out on such a project. It just makes sense!

Do make a difference to the lives of those in East Kent and move the DCO forward to allow RSP to deliver its project and get our unemployed back working.

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