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To Whom It May Concern.

As a local resident of Ramsgate that will be impacted by the noise and pollution of the reopening, as a trading hub, of Manston airport, I DO NOT want to see it reopening.

When the airport was used as a passenger hub, we had several planes a day, flying very low of Ramsgate, which were noisy and polluting as I mentioned in my opening sentence. The planes were so low the houses would sometime shudder because they were so low. Under the new proposal there will be dozens of more planes a day, starting early in the morning and until late at night. Also these planes will be, in general older, meaning noisier and more far more polluting than the new passenger plans. Which will impact not the population of Ramsgate, but also Broadstairs and other surrounding areas of Thanet

The owners of Manston have said that it will create thousands of new jobs, which I refute. I do believe it will create jobs but not the level they say. How will it create thousands of jobs as most of the systems will be automated and so the jobs will be mostly required to fix and ensure the equipment is working. I also suspect that many of the jobs needed, for the automated equipment will be highly specialised, meaning most of the job won't be given to the local population, but to people outside, thus increase the local population increasing the prices of housing pushing out local people even more.

Another rejection of the airport will be in the increased level of transport because there is no rail infrastructure at the airport. This will mean the use of petrol and diesel HGV, creating more noise and pollution on top of the increasing airplanes landing and taking off. With the current lack of HGV drivers, how do they propose to get the "goods" delivered.

BUT, the biggest reason why it should be rejected is because the government's own independent report, said there is no need for Manston to get the go ahead. But the Rt Hon Secretary of State, who is an avid pilot (could there be a conflict of interest here) decided to do another round of submissions. Why is that Also if it comes out that it is recommended it not go ahead is he going to ask again and again until he gets his way.

We have a serious issue with unaffordable housing in Ramsgate, made worse with people from urban areas moving away to Thanet in increasing number, due to Covid. Manston and the surrounding area should be used as a green housing area with a green rewilding project and not a noisy polluting airport.

Regards Keifer Derrin