

## Manston Airport and the Regeneration of Thanet.

RiverOak are a company keen on re-opening Manston Airport in Kent, for commercial aviation, both passenger and freight - it needs the freight to pay for the passengers - and UK Limited is desperate for more freight capacity in the South East England.

RiverOak wish to invest about £0.5 Billion in infrastructure alone in East Kent and Thanet - the knock-on effects will be huge, plus there will be local jobs, and education and training will be put in place so local people can participate.

RiverOak's Development Consent Order (DCO) has been accepted for Examination by the National Infrastructure Planners – i.e. PINS accept that Manston is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, and that RiverOak have the necessary money to pay for it.

SMAA believe that one of the key reasons that around 85% or more of Thanet and East-Kent people support the return of Manston Airport, is that there will be many thousands of jobs created, many on the airport by RiverOak themselves, more on the airport and elsewhere by other firms in a knock-on effect.

What are your thoughts ? – Please tell the National Planners : <http://bit.ly/PINSreg>

## Deprivation, Jobs, Education, Regeneration

- Deprivation

In 2015, out of over 5000 wards in the South East, 5 Thanet wards were listed (most deprived first) in positions 1, 2, 3, 7, 10. The list does not stop there, with other data suggesting that matters have worsened by 2018. (Kent County Council, 2018)

According to new 2017 data just released by The End Child Poverty coalition, Thanet has the highest child poverty rates in Kent, and Thanet has some 10,500 under 18s living below the poverty line, equating to 34.7% of the isle's youngsters.

<http://www.endchildpoverty.org.uk/poverty-in-your-area-2018/>

- Thanet Unemployment 2018

Thanet unemployment rate (May 2018) is bad at 4.9%.

Rates are particularly high for young people between the ages of 18 and 24.

(Kent County Council, 2018)

In the last year, more than half the total increase in unemployment in Kent has been in Thanet.

(Government statistics)

- RSP Investment in Infrastructure

RiverOak will be investing nearly £0.5 billion in infrastructure in Thanet and East Kent, which will have an immense effect, even before the additional money from jobs. This huge amount of money will feed into a range of local firms, and thence into the wider economy of Thanet and East Kent.

- Jobs

There will be many thousands of jobs created, many on the airport by RiverOak themselves, more on the airport and elsewhere by other firms in a knock-on effect. There will be many extremely well paid jobs with excellent career development.

Many of the jobs created by re-opening Manston Airport will be in existing firms in the area, or in new service firms.

Taxis, buses, clothing, food and other consumables supply, engineering supply ... will all benefit.

In addition there will be many jobs on the airport, associated with the airport, or created in the wider economy

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'In Europe, direct jobs at airports generally breakdown as follows (Intervistas, 2015):

- Airlines 28%
- Ground handling 14%

- Airport and Air Traffic Control 14%
- Retail and other in-terminal services 6%
- Airport security and passenger screening 6%
- Customs, immigration and government jobs 5%
- Ground transport 5%
- Food and beverage 8%
- Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) 6%
- Other 7%'

Year	Freight tonnage	Passenger numbers	Jobs by RiverOak	Direct Jobs	Total Jobs
Y5	173,741	686,672	697	2,150	14,612
Y10	212,351	975,591	761	2,749	18,693
Y20	340,758	1,407,753	1,024	3,417	23,215

(Extracted from RSP : 7.4 - Azimuth Report Vol 4. Table 4 : Forecast job creation)

- Education & Training

The key step to also making the aviation and related jobs accessible to the people of East Kent and Thanet, is education and training. SMAa and KNMA are extremely pleased that RiverOak have a very pro-active approach to employing local people where possible, and to that end, putting in place relevant education and training. SMAa & KNMA members have used their local knowledge and contacts to facilitate this process, and are spreading the news of these possibilities to the people of Thanet.

- Regeneration of the area

Airports attract business. Inflow of new businesses brings money to the area which in turn encourages improvement.

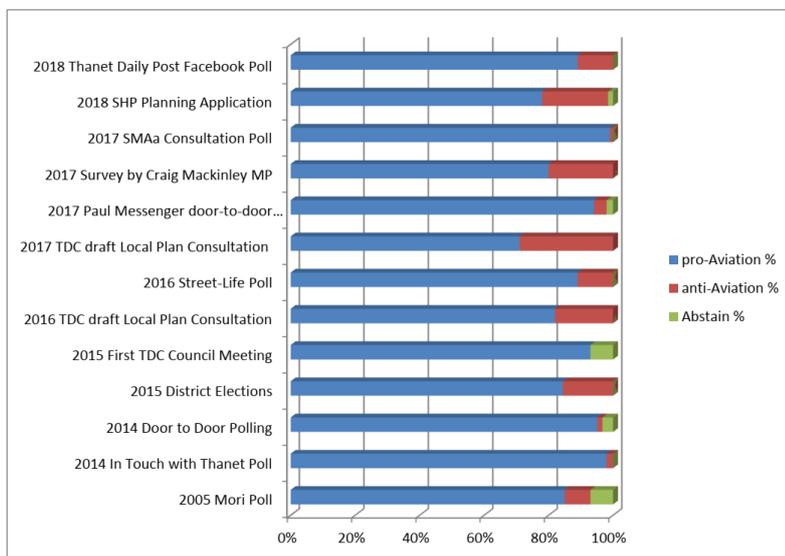
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The people of Thanet are eagerly awaiting this regeneration of the Isle.

85% or more of them support Manston returning for Aviation :

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The pro/anti Manston Airport data as bar graphs - 2005 (Mori Poll) to current.  
- abstain is not always valid.