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Our reference: PCU/RARE/Z2260/3368364

Sir Roger Gale MP  
House of Commons  
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Dear Sir Roger,

**Application by Home Office for full planning permission to construct modular builds to replace current temporary marquees, temporary training facility and associated infrastructure at the former RAF Manston, Manston Road, Ramsgate, Kent, CT12 5BS. Planning Casework Unit Application no: PCU/RARE/Z2260/3368364.**

I have been asked to notify you, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government, that the above detailed planning application has been deemed both Nationally Important and Urgent. This decision has been taken having regard to the [Crown Development, Written Ministerial Statement, 13 February 2025](#).

The application has been made to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and conforms with the information requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Crown Development) (Urgent Applications) (Procedure) (England) Order 2025.

My officials will notify you of the outcome of the planning application.

I will deposit a copy of this letter in the House Library.

Best wishes,

**MATTHEW PENNYCOOK MP**  
Minister of State for Housing and Planning