

## MINUTES OF MEETING

### **Melbourne Airport Noise Abatement Committee**

**10.00 am Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2008  
Hume Conference Room, Level 2, T2, Melbourne Airport**

#### ATTENDANCE

##### **Present:**

Simon Gandy	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Gilbert Richardson	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Renee Atkinson	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Marc Storti	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Peter Sullivan	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Steve Finlay	Melton Shire Council
Capt. Brian Williams	Virgin Blue
Andrew Sellick	Qantas Airways Melbourne
Rob Ball	Moonee Valley City Council
Ken Owen	Airservices Australia (Canberra)
Peter Meagher	Airservices Australia (Melbourne)
Kim Giaquinta	Hume City Council
David Kirkland	Department of Planning and Community Development
Cr Kathryn Eriksson	Brimbank City Council
Catherine Hunichen	Brimbank City Council
Malcolm Ramsay	Hobsons Bay City Council

##### **Apologies:**

Sarah Renner	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Rob Jerrom	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Warren Bennett	Board Airline Representatives Australia (BARA)
Capt. Cameron Tribe	Virgin Blue
Darren Jackson	City of Whittlesea
Michael Sharp	Hume City Council
Councillor Renata Cugliari	Melton Shire Council
Marianne Richards	Department of Infrastructure
James Nancarrow	EPA Victoria
Councillor Kris Pavlidis	City of Whittlesea
Roger Gottlob	DOI (Comm.)

#### **1. WELCOME**

Simon Gandy thanked those present for their attendance at the meeting. Malcolm Ramsay and Renee Atkinson were welcomed as new NAC members representing Hobsons Bay and Melbourne Airport respectively and Capt. Brian Williams was welcomed on behalf of Capt. Lewis Beech from Virgin Blue.

## **2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the November 2007 NAC meeting were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting proceedings and will be placed on the Melbourne Airport website.

## **3. ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

### **3.1 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* APAM to check what historical noise data is available.

Some yearly noise complaint data is available.

**Action : Historical noise complaint data will be reported further at the next NAC.**

### **3.2 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* APAM to distribute the October 2007 Noise Enquiry Unit Report with the NAC minutes.

Completed.

### **3.3 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* APAM to investigate new graph for complaints per 10,000 aircraft movements.

**Action: Airservices Australia to advise availability of monthly aircraft movement data.**

### **3.4 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* Airservices to undertake a PIR of the June 2006 34 Arrivals change by February 2008

A preliminary report was provided under Section 5 of the Agenda, with the final report anticipated to be available at the next NAC.

### **3.5 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* Airservices to ensure N70 to be split to Day and Night.

**Action: N70 reporting change to be commenced by the May NAC.**

### **3.6 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* APAM to confirm date for the next Brimbank Community Noise Forum.

The next date was likely to be Tuesday 4 March 2008.

**Action: APAM to finalise arrangements for the next Community Noise Forum with Brimbank City Council.**

### **3.7 Previous Action Item Update**

*Action:* Qantas to provide an update to the next NAC meeting regarding the basis for the decision.

The decision to make the Perth 727 conversion to a 737 last in the schedule was primarily driven by load capacity.

#### **4. REVIEW OF NOISE ENQUIRIES (November 2007 – January 2008)**

The number of monthly noise complaints received by the Airservices Noise Enquiry Unit relating to Melbourne Airport was 57 (from 25 complainants) in November, 140 (from 29 complainants) in December and 209 complaints (from 48 complainants) in January.

**Action: Airservices to review reporting including complaint details including time of day, weekday/weekend, runway usage and cross reference with wind data.**

**Action: APAM to investigate graphing number of complainants.**

Steve Finlay advised the NAC of a Council resolution dated 4 February 2008 regarding a proposal for additional residential development within the Shire of Melton. This was noted.

#### **5. AIRSERVICES REPORT ON FLIGHT PATH CHANGES 34**

Airservices presented a preliminary report on the 34 arrivals change including some portable noise monitoring in Newport. The final report is anticipated to be available at the next NAC.

**Action: Airservices to present the findings of the PIR of the June 2006 34 Arrivals change to the May 2008 NAC.**

#### **6. NOISE AND FLIGHT PATH MONITORING SYSTEM 2007 Q3**

Airservices presented the results of the Noise Abatement Procedures Review. It was concluded that the runway use at Melbourne Airport is largely dependent upon weather and aircraft operational requirements. The preferred runway modes published under the Noise Abatement Procedures assist with mitigating noise impacts on communities near the airport to the maximum extent practicable.

**Action: APAM to distribute copy of Noise Abatement Procedures Review.**

Airservices also provided an overview of the Q3 NFPMS report in particular the results of the noise monitoring terminals. It was indicated that subject to siting approvals the portable noise monitoring terminal for Sunshine North could be installed during the first quarter of 2008. It was agreed by the NAC that the Keilor portable noise monitoring terminal remain in place until the November NAC, with a view of making an application to Airservices as a permanent site.

#### **7. COMMUNITY NOISE FORUMS**

Refer Section 3.6 above.

#### **8. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Melbourne Airport Environs Overlay Notification

Concerned was expressed by local councils and the State regarding Melbourne Airport's request to be notified of all planning applications within the overlay areas. This was seen as an inefficient use of resources given some applications were clearly not of interest to Melbourne Airport.

**Action: DPCD to write to Melbourne Airport and affected Councils with a recommendation on how to streamline the notification process.**

Steve Finlay raised concerns regarding over flights and suburb reporting for Melton South.

**Action: Airservices and APAM to investigate separating Melton and Melton South complaints.**

Qantas advised of its implementation of Required Navigation Procedures at other airports to minimise the impact of aircraft noise on communities and for more efficient aircraft operations.

**Action: Qantas to provide presentation on Required Navigation Procedures at the May 2008 NAC.**

## **9. NEXT MEETING**

Scheduled for Tuesday 13 May 2008 at 10.00 am in the Hume Conference Room, Level 2, T2, Melbourne Airport.

### **SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS**

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