

MELBOURNE AIRPORT COMMUNITY AVIATION CONSULTATION GROUP
Minutes, Pre-meeting—Tuesday 16th February 2016, 4pm–6pm
Diggers Rest Community Hall, 48 Plumpton Road, Diggers Rest

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| Present: | Darrell Treloar | Independent Chair |
| | David O'Connor | Community |
| | Susan Jennison OAM | Community |
| | Frank Rivoli | Community |
| | Leanne Deans | Noise Abatement Committee |
| | Michael Sharp | Australian Mayoral Aviation Council |
| | Bob Baggio | Melton City Council |
| | Liz Beattie | Victorian Trades Hall Council (proxy for Luke Hilakari) |
| | David Kirkland | Victorian Department of Land, Environment, Water and Planning (proxy for John Ginivan) |
| | Capt Paul D'Elia | Pilot, Virgin Australia (proxy for Capt. Darren Gray) |

Also in attendance were:

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| Neil Hall | Airservices Australia |
| Nick Seselja | Airservices Australia |
| Marcelo Alves | Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development |
| Carly Dixon | Melbourne Airport |
| Pam Graham | Melbourne Airport |
| Trent Kneebush | Melbourne Airport |
| Kris Perkovic | Melbourne Airport |
| Anna Gillett | Melbourne Airport |

Apologies:

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| Cr Adem Atmaca | Australian Mayoral Aviation Council |
| Mateja Rautner | Community |
| Luke Hilakari | Victorian Trades Hall Council |
| John Ginivan | Victorian Department of Land, Environment, Water and Planning |
| Captain Darren Gray | Pilot, Virgin Australia |

1. Welcome and introductions—Darrell Treloar, Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced those members attending as proxies: Liz Beattie, David Kirkland and Captain Paul D'Elia.

Paul D'Elia is attending his first meeting as a pilot/Virgin Australia proxy representative on the CACG. Paul and colleague Captain Damian Spencer will jointly share the duties of substitute representative for Captain Darren Gray when he is not available in future.

2. Apologies

The Chair noted the members that had provided apologies (as above).

3. Introduction to meeting format

The Chair discussed the new trial format for 2016, noting that the format will be reviewed at the end of the year and that any improvements will be made, as required, throughout the year. Minutes will note actions/decisions arising from the meeting and will be published to the CACG website.

A report of this meeting will also be provided to the public meeting as a brief summary report.

Neil Hall asked how questions on notice from the community will be dealt with under the new arrangements. The Chair noted that past practice has been to provide a written response in the minutes, where questions cannot readily be answered at the meeting. It is also acceptable, even preferable, to take questions on notice as this allows for a more considered response to a question.

4. CACG work plan and priorities

It was agreed from the CACG November 2015 meeting that pre-meetings in 2016 include a more detailed discussion on topics of agreed interest. February's focus is on the RDP while the May meeting will consider aircraft noise abatement and subsequent meetings will consider further topics including curfew/noise sharing, community health, ground transport and airport safeguarding. This approach allows for a lengthier discussion and deeper understanding of the issues and opens up the possibility of inviting presentations from experts.

It was proposed and agreed that planning for the May meeting, and discussion of aircraft noise abatement, be based on the following elements and possible speakers:

- a. Understanding Aircraft Noise
 - i. Airline pilot: Why do aircraft fly like they do?
 - ii. Acoustics engineer: How is aircraft noise generated?
 - iii. Measuring aircraft noise.

- b. Minimizing Aircraft Noise
 - i. ICAO approach to Aircraft Noise.
 - ii. Noise Abatement Procedures— Neil Hall.
 - iii. Complaint handling, monitoring and reporting.

- c. Discussion
 - i. Noise management.
 - ii. Options for improvement.
 - iii. What next?

A brief "brainstorming" session also identified the following to be addressed:

- Consideration of outcomes to inform a future Airservices "Strategic Noise Impact Plan".
- Understanding of the discretion available to pilots/airlines.
- definition of a "noise radius" around the airport.

In relation to future consideration of community health, the following elements were identified for attention:

- Earlier consideration of community health at the time the 2013 Master Plan was prepared.
- Potential impact of airport operations on community health.
- Additional impact arising from operation of the 3rd runway.

5. Runway Development Program Update—Pam Graham, Melbourne Airport

Pam Graham provided a detailed progress report on the Runway Development Program (presentation attached with the minutes).

The first part of the report was an update on the Runway Development Program's timelines. The RDP's timelines have been reviewed, with Melbourne Airport now expecting to publish a preliminary draft MDP for public comment during 2018 and for a draft MDP to be submitted to the Commonwealth Government in 2018–19 for their consideration and approval. Subject to approval being granted, the airport expects construction to commence between 2019–2021 and for the new runway system to be operational between 2022–2024.

The second part of the report was a presentation on the choice of east–west orientation for the proposed third runway. This was prepared in response to an action arising from the CACG November 2015 meeting for more information on the east–west orientation selection.

In summary, east–west was chosen as it best addresses the criteria and provides the best capacity, operational, safety, environmental and growth outcomes. Safety was especially critical. East–west eliminates the need for aircraft moving to and from the terminal precinct to cross active runways when the parallel runway configuration is in use—as the terminal would be between the parallel runways. With no crossing of 'live' runways, safety is enhanced, there are fewer delays for aircraft waiting to cross the runways and flight path/taxiing distances and times are shorter.

This report was **NOTED**.

6. Victorian Government Airport Safeguarding measures

David Kirkland, representing John Ginivan, spoke briefly about Victorian government initiatives to enhance airport safeguarding, including a commitment to reviewing the Melbourne Airport Environs Strategy Plan, updating the Melbourne Airport Environs Overlay and to implementing the principles of the National Airports Safeguarding Framework in state planning.

The Victorian Government recently launched a new website 'Planning for Airports' www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/planning/plans-and-policies/planning-for-airports, which is a central resource for airport-related planning information in the Victorian context.

Frank Rivoli asked for further information on how Victoria's planning laws protect communities from aircraft noise and suggested discussion of this be included when John Ginnivan provides a more detailed presentation at a future meeting.

ACTION: John Ginnivan to include the additional information requested in a more detailed presentation on Victorian government safeguarding measures at a future CACG meeting.

Safeguarding Training for Planners: training course on airport safeguarding is being offered by DEWLP. Melbourne Airport is also considering a similar training course later in 2016 and has run such courses in the past, which have been attended by Council planning staff.

Michael Sharp suggested it would be worthwhile to extend training to planning consultants and the property/development industry in general as they would benefit from a more detailed understanding of safeguarding and airport overlays.

7. Reports

7.1 Work plan: status of actions—Kris Perkovic, Melbourne Airport

Kris Perkovic provided an update on the status of items listed in the status report.

This report was **NOTED** and completed items will be deleted from future reports.

The Chair spoke to the "Status of Actions Arising from Strategy Session held on 18 August 2015" and the current status was **NOTED**.

7.2 Noise Abatement Committee—Leanne Deans

Leanne Deans provided an overview of the Noise Abatement Committee meeting held on 15 February 2016.

This report was **NOTED**.

Michael Sharp advised that Hume City Council received several complaints in January about increased aircraft noise over Greenvale and asked that more information on this be provided.

ACTION: Nick Seselja, Airservices, to follow up on noise complaints in Greenvale for January 2016.

7.3 Planning Coordination Forum—Carly Dixon, Melbourne Airport

The Planning Coordination Report was considered as part of the Melbourne Airport Report (Agenda item 7.5) as there were a number of similar items.

7.4 Airservices Australia—Neil Hall

Nick Seselja presented the Airservices Australia Report (attached with minutes).

Key items included the following:

- Smart Tracking: a new smart tracking approach flight path is being considered for Runway 16. An environmental impact assessment on the smart tracking system is currently being undertaken—more information is expected to be provided at the May 2016 CACG meeting.
- Difference in noise reporting between Sydney and Melbourne Airport (outstanding action): Noise information reports are the same for all Australian airports with the exception of Sydney, which is required to provide additional information via its long term operating plan.
- Analysis of flights departing Runway 16 from midnight–4am and the number of flights from 11pm–6am (outstanding action): data provided on Runway 16 departures for 2015 including data by aircraft type.
- Keilor noise monitor update: Airservices met with Leanne Deans and Susan Jennison regarding the siting of a new noise monitor. Agreement is expected soon, possibly by the end of February 2016, on a site that meets both technical and community considerations.
- Webtrak enhancements: information/display upgrades to Airservices' webtrak flight tracking service.

This report was **NOTED**.

The Chair thanked Nick Seselja. Members of the CACG were given the opportunity to ask questions regarding the presentation.

David O'Connor asked if there is an option to print off Webtrak. Nick Seselja agreed to examine the possibility of doing this.

ACTION: Nick Seselja to check if this option is available.

7.5 Melbourne Airport Report—Carly Dixon

Carly Dixon presented the Melbourne Airport report, inclusive of the Planning Coordination Forum report. (Note: The PCF meeting was held on 11 February 2016).

Key items included the following:

- Official opening of Terminal 4 on 9 December 2015.
- Strong passenger growth in 2015—close to 33 million passengers passed through the airport, consisting of 24.2 million domestic passengers and 8.7 million international passengers. This represents an increase of 4 percent, or 1.38 million new passengers.
- China is the standout international market. The strongest percentage growth in 2015 was from: China, 26%, France, 22.8%, Vietnam, 16.5%, India, 15.8%, Sri Lanka, 15.2%.
- New daily Tigerair Melbourne–Bali service announced, commencing 23 March. Aircraft to be used is Boeing 737-800, with 180 seat capacity. Service is expected to create 70 local jobs.

- The Melbourne Airport Jetbase preliminary Major Development Plan: The Jetbase project includes the construction of a new purpose-built jet hangar and prestige passenger terminal with associated infrastructure within aviation precinct site that is subleased from Melbourne Airport. The MDP will be out for public comment from Wednesday 24 February 2016 to Wednesday 25 May 2016 and will be available at <http://melbourneairport.com.au/about-melbourne-airport/planning/major-development-plans/melbourne-private-jet-base.html>
- Business Park Major development plans: Update on the status of four warehouse sites at the Melbourne Airport Business Park. Melbourne Airport will proceed with MDPs for sites 1 and 2. Sites 3 and 4 will be considered at a later time.

This report was **NOTED**.

7.6 Chair's Report

The Chair highlighted key elements of his written report, including the departures of the following people:

- Sarah Renner, Executive Planning and Development, Melbourne Airport.
- Elizabeth Joldeski, Manager Stakeholder and Government Relations, Melbourne Airport.
- Rod Burgess, former Director Economic Regulation and South East Airports, Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.

All staff were either written to or thanked in person for their contribution to the Melbourne Airport CACG.

Richard Wynne meeting: The Chair and CACG Community member David O'Connor met with the Victorian Minister for Planning, the Hon Richard Wynne MP on Thursday 19 November 2015 to discuss planning controls at Diggers Rest and the use of planning instruments to protect residents and the airport from potentially negative impacts due to aircraft noise.

8 Other business

8.1 Review of Terms of Reference

It was agreed this matter be held over to the May 2016 meeting by which time DIRD's response to the Orima Research may be known.

8.2 Rezoning proposal—8-20 & 22-28 Phillip Street, Dallas.

Trent Kneebush, Melbourne Airport, updated the meeting on a rezoning proposal for the Melbourne Water site at 8-20 & 22-28 Phillip Street, Dallas, which is within the Melbourne Airport Environs Overlay.

Melbourne Water has requested that the site be rezoned from Public Use Zone (Service and Utility) to Mixed Use, which would allow residential development. A site specific provision in the planning scheme has also been sought, which would allow for lots smaller than 300sqm, in accordance with the Development Plan Overlay.

This rezoning request is contrary to the stated commitment to airport safeguarding. Should the rezoning be permitted, it could expose new residents to aircraft noise.

The proposed rezoning is on public exhibition with submissions due by 25 March 2016.

Submissions must be made online at:

<http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/planning/panels-and-committees/current-panels-and-committees/government-land-standing-advisory-committee/government-land-standing-advisory-committee-submission-form>

More information can be found at:

<http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/planning/about-planning/planning-services-directory/fast-track-government-land-service/8-20-and-22-28-phillip-street,-dallas>

The Victorian Government's Land Standing Advisory Committee will consider submissions on the rezoning proposal before making a recommendation to the Minister for Planning.

ACTION: CACG to provide a submission opposing the Melbourne Water rezoning proposal for the site at 8–20 & 22–28 Phillip Street, Dallas.

8.3 CACG Frequently Asked Questions

A Melbourne Airport CACG Frequently Asked Questions document was circulated to members. The FAQ provides responses to the most frequently asked questions, based on information provided by Melbourne Airport, Airservices and other agencies.

ACTION: Kris Perkovic to provide the CACG FAQ as a PDF document to members with the minutes.

Meeting closed at 6.25pm.

Next meeting: to be held on Tuesday 17 May 2016 from 4pm–6pm at the Ultima Function Centre, corner Keilor Park Drive & Ely Court, Keilor.

Community Aviation Consultation Group: Action Items Status Report, February 2016

| CACG Mtg | Description | Lead | Status |
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| 2011 Work Plan | Airport Rail Link | | The CACG continues to support this project. |
| 2011 Work Plan | 4 Warehouse Major Development Plans | Melbourne Airport | An update was provided to the CACG on 16 February 2016. Draft MDPs are currently being developed for two of the four warehouse sites—these are sites 1 and 2. MDPs for sites 3 and 4 will be considered at a later time. |
| 2011 Work Plan | Smart Tracking: An Environmental Assessment of a new "Smart Tracking" approach to Runway 16 is being prepared by Airservices and stakeholders will be consulted ahead of implementation. | Nick Seselja | Completed: update provided to the CACG at the pre-meeting on 16 February 2016. |

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| 18 Feb14 & 19May15 | Airservices to investigate departures from Runway 16 between 12:00 midnight and 4:00am and provide an update on the number of flights recorded between 11pm–6am. | Nick Seselja | Completed: Airservices provided an update on Rwy 16 departures to the CACG at the pre-meeting on 16 February 2016. |
| 19 Aug14 | Melbourne Airport to facilitate a conversation between Airservices, Susan Jennison and David O'Connor regarding local community involvement with the aviation heritage project undertaken by the University of Canberra. | Melbourne Airport | The University of Canberra has been contacted to provide an update on progress with the aviation heritage project. |
| 19Aug14 | Victorian Government to provide the CACG with a copy of their submission to the DIRD Master Plan/MDP regulatory review. | John Ginivan | Completed: The CACG was previously advised the Victorian Government response will be made available when all submissions are published on-line by the Commonwealth. DIRD has now indicated the submissions will not be available on-line and are not public. |
| 17Feb15 | Airservices Australia to enquire regarding Sydney Airport reporting based on aircraft type and report to a future meeting. | Nick Seselja | Completed: Airservices provided an update to the CACG at the pre-meeting on 16 February 2016. |
| 17Feb15 | Update to be provided on outcomes of the Federal Government's review into CACG consultation processes. | Marcelo Alves / Jesse Gillard | Progress report provided to the CACG Gladstone Park meeting on 17 November 2015. A further presentation on the review findings will be made to a future meeting. |
| 19 May 2015 | Melbourne Airport to consider strategies to reach CALD communities and ensure engagement appropriately targets residents that will be affected. | Melbourne Airport | Melbourne Airport is considering options for directly targeting CALD communities and will report progress to future meetings of the CACG. |
| 17 November 2015 | Clarification on the specific studies/research undertaken in determining the orientation for the third runway to be provided to the CACG. | Pam Graham | Completed: Presentation on the east–west orientation made at CACG pre-meeting on 16 February 2016. |
| 17 November 2015 | Trial of the new meeting format to be implemented. | Kris Perkovic | Completed: Implemented as from 16 February 2016. |
| 17 November 2015 | Review of new meeting format trial to be conducted in November 2016. | Darrell Treloar | |

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| 17 November 2015 | Priorities listed in the CACG work program to be addressed at future meetings. | Darrell Treloar | Completed: Timetable discussed at CACG Pre-meeting 16 February 2016. |
| 17 November 2015 | Consideration of changes to the CACG Terms of Reference, suggested by Leanne Deans, to be listed on the February 2016 pre-meeting agenda. | Darrell Treloar | Discussed at CACG Pre-meeting 16 February 2016 and referred to May 2016 meeting |
| 17 November 2015 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Link to 'Plan Melbourne refresh' document to be provided to members. b. CACG submission to 'Plan Melbourne refresh' to be prepared. | Darrell Treloar | Completed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Link provided to members on 18 November b. Plan Melbourne Refresh submission sent on 18 December (copy provided to CACG members). |
| 16 February 2016 | Victorian government safeguarding measures | John Ginivan | A more detailed presentation to be provided on Victorian Government safeguarding measures at a future CACG meeting, with particular reference to how Victoria's planning laws protect the community from aircraft noise. |
| 16 February 2016 | CACG to provide submission to Melbourne Water rezoning proposal for the site at 8–20 & 22–28 Phillip Street, Dallas. | Darrell Treloar | |