

**Date:** 20 August 2021

**Starting time:** 9:00am

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

## 1.0 WELCOME

The Chair opened the meeting at 0900 hrs. and welcomed those present.

A reminder was provided to all members that the correspondence distributed to the Committee is confidential until voted by the Committee to be accepted at the following meeting.

<b>Present</b>	<b>Company/Organisation</b>
Russell Synnot – Chair	Synnot & Wilkinson
Brenton Cox	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Kym Meys	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Matthew Eygenraam	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Jamie Sangster	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Alicia Bickmore	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Brett Eaton	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Robert Owen	Netley Residents Association
Luisa Halacas	Office of Steve Georganas
Karrylyne Johnson	The Department of Infrastructure
Russell McArthur	The Department of Infrastructure
Gerard Mears	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Tim Gill	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Evan Knapp	South Australian Freight Council (SAFC)
Garth Palmer	West Beach Resident Alliance
Terry Buss	City of West Torrens
Michael Coxon	City of West Torrens
Mike Wilde	Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT)
Barry Salter	Holdfast Bay Residents Alliance
Klinton Devenish	City of Adelaide
Phillip Martin	City of Adelaide

<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Company/Organisation</b>
Mark Young	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Steve Georganas	Member for Adelaide
Mary-Lou Bishop	City of Walkerville
Rebecca Abley	City of Holdfast Bay
Catherine Cashen	South Road Inner West Action Group (SRIWAG)
Mayor Amanda Wilson	City of Holdfast Bay
Rachel Sanderson MP	Member for Adelaide
Cr Kenzie van den Nieuwelaar	City of Charles Sturt

## 2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 21 May 2021

Proposed – Bob Owen and Seconded Evan Knapp that the minutes of the 21 May 2021 meeting be adopted – Carried.

### 3.0 CORRESPONDENCE

#### 3.1 Correspondence In:

- Apologies
- Reports

#### 3.2 Correspondence Out:

- Previous Minutes, Agenda and Reports.

### 4.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS – NIL ACTION ITEMS

### 5.0 AIRPORT UPDATE

**5.1 Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) Report** – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: A number of new domestic routes have been announced since the last meeting including Townsville (QF) and Launceston (VA). At the time of the meeting, Hobart is the only location where travel is possible without having to quarantine on either side of the journey.

It was noted that AAL's number one business driver now is National and State vaccination rates. It was noted that airlines are very keen to fly and travellers have strong demand to travel when borders are open.

**5.2 Property and Development and Land Use Report** – The Report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: There continues to be significant demand for Property at the airport. Works have commenced on the upgrade of the intersection of Transport Avenue and Richmond Road to facilitate the use of Transport Avenue by B-Double vehicles. Several civil works will commence within the next 8 weeks with completion programmed for the end of the year.

**5.3 Environment Report** – The report was tabled and taken as read.

**5.4 Adelaide Airport Technical Working Group (AATWG)** – The Group discussed a few items including dispensations, ANO report on CACG representation, Buckland Park and height limitations.

**5.5 Terminal Expansion Project Report (TEEx)** – The Terminal Expansion project has continued with the commencement of the international baggage reclaim component of the project which includes airside road works, which is the last major component of the construction contract.

As we near the end of the project, there continues to be major work packages completed with most of the work on Level 2 now completed which included an internal staircase and escalator works in the international arrivals areas and all retail tenants base build (Duty Free base build and VIP Departures). The forecourt works adjacent to Atura Circuit/Taxi Drop Off/Northern Terminal have also been completed, however will not be opened straight away as there are works to be completed in this area with the relocation of the Vickers Vimy aircraft.

As part of the South Australian State lockdown in July, all works on the Terminal Expansion Project stopped for a period of 7 days. Following the lifting of the lockdown restrictions, the project recommenced. This shutdown period has impacted the project program by 7 days. Both AAL and Besix Watpac continue to work on mitigating any impacts to the program. It expected that the project will be finished by the end of this calendar year.

The relocation and exhibition of the Vickers Vimy aircraft within the Terminal Expansion has seen a cross functional Design and Relocation team come together in early April to progress the design and planning for the move of the historical aircraft.

The aircraft will be dismantled by dedicated conservationists, transported to the new location, and then reassembled in the new exhibition space. As part of the project, it is intended to demolish the existing memorial building where the aircraft is currently located, which will need approval from the Commonwealth.

Following the approval of the design concept, the team is finalising the program which is targeting an opening in mid-2022. The South Australian Government, Federal Government and AAL are all contributing to the project.

## **6.0 AIRPORT AGENCY UPDATE REPORTS**

### **6.1 Department of Infrastructure –**

Five Year Plan on Aviation:

- Noting the continued impact of COVID-19, the Australian Government will be providing an update to the sector in Quarter 4 2021.

Extension of Australian Government COVID-19 Support

- Domestic Aviation Network Support (DANS) and the Regional Airline Network Support (RANS) programs extended until 31 December 2021.
- Airservices Australia fee waiver extended until 31 December 2021.
- Domestic Airports Security Costs Support extended until 31 December 2021.
- Tourism Aviation Network Support program extended until 30 November 2021.
- Aviation Services Accreditation Support extended until 31 December 2021.
- A new Retaining Domestic Airline Capability (RDAC) program to assist airlines maintain core sovereign domestic airline capabilities through the retention of essential aviation sector skills and knowledge, which will run until 31 December 2021.

The Government has provided airlines with more than \$4.9 billion in assistance so far.

It was noted that the International Freight Assistance Mechanism would also be extended to 30 June 2022 in line with current contracts.

National Airports Safeguarding Group:

- Meeting held on 13 July 2021.
- Discussed draft Recommendations from the Implementation Review of the National Airports Safeguarding Framework guidelines (NASF).
- Proposed measures to be provided to Federal and State Transport Ministers by end of 2021.
- Next meeting – Nov 2021.

Email [safeguarding@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:safeguarding@infrastructure.gov.au)

Regulation Sunsetting:

- The outcomes of previous consultation will be used to inform options presented for stakeholder feedback.
- The work will be staged thematically over the coming three years, with an initial focus on cutting red tape, duplication, and inconsistency in reporting requirements.
- Stage 1 issues paper (internal airport operations) to be circulated to stakeholders for comment before the end of 2021.
- Later stages subject to consultation throughout 2022.
  - Stage 2 streamlining Commonwealth responsibilities for the control of on-airport activities.

- Stage 3 increasing flexibility & modernising environmental, building control and airspace frameworks.
- Stage 4 progressing legislative reforms to the Airports Act.
- CACGs consulted as part of Stage 3 consultation (encompassing building control, environment protection and protection of airspace) and Stage 4 amendments to the Airports Act and Major Development Plan triggers.

Aircraft operations during the Adelaide Airport curfew period:

- The Department granted 9 dispensations at Adelaide Airport.
  - There were 9 arrivals and nil departures.
- Nil dispensation requests were refused.

It was noted that several engineering issues accounted for the higher number of dispensations as limited staff were available.

It was noted that the seasonal weather patterns increased the use of Runway 23.

**6.2 State Department of Infrastructure and Transport Report –** Please refer item 9.1.

### **6.3 AirServices Australia (ASA) Report –**

The State border closures across the country have impacted movement numbers. It was noted that ASA teams are still operating in split teams in case of a COVID-19 outbreak.

It was noted The Department of [Primary Industries and Regions SA](#) (PIRSA) are conducting operations to drop sterile fruit flies in targeted areas of the greater Adelaide region to support in the fruit fly operations. During August - December 2021 residents may notice a low flying aircraft which will perform sets of flight path sweeps to drop the flies. The aircraft has a Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) dispensation to operate not below 500 feet (152 metres) above the ground over built-up areas. To learn more, further information about the initiative can be [found here](#).

A Committee member noted at 5am on Friday 20 August, a helicopter was travelling over residential Adelaide and asked what the procedure was and if they can return to base over less populated areas. It was noted this movement would be followed up and reported back at the next meeting.

It was noted that 2 noise monitors were noted as offline on a few separate occasions.

It was noted that complaints mostly relate to emergency services and helicopter movements.

The Aircraft Noise Ombudsman (ANO) has recently completed an investigation into complaints about flight paths and aircraft operations over inner Melbourne. The lessons from the investigation include:

- Community engagement should consider a wider audience than the CACG and communities located immediately surrounding an airport;
- Communities under or near flight paths need to be considered as part of the engagement activities; and
- Sightseeing operations that occur a considerable distance away from airports can have an impact on communities sensitive to aircraft noise.

The ANO made three recommendations which Airservices has accepted.

The recommendation relevant to this CACG is that:

- *Airservices invite the CACG to review the adequacy of their representation of their community membership given that the aircraft noise from “smart tracking” flightpaths and sightseeing operations affects areas at considerable distances from airports*

For further information the full ANO report is available at: [www.ano.gov.au](http://www.ano.gov.au)

To aid the CACG in reviewing the adequacy of your membership and representation we have completed the following:

- We have undertaken a review of aircraft noise complaint hotspots for each CACG location and have shared this information with the airport and CACG chair;
- The complaints hotspots cover the last three years to provide insight into complaints pre-COVID and current operations; and
- Detailed information on complaints issues covering 2017 to date are available on our interactive tool available at [here](#).

The CACG might also consider the following:

- Identifying communities under existing and future flight paths as published in the current Master Plan;
- Identifying communities under existing and future Number Above noise contour in either the current Master Plan or relevant Major Development Plans/Approvals documents (as appropriate); and
- Speaking with your operators to identify sightseeing or unusual operations which may impact communities.

For future flight path change projects:

- We will request the CACG to consider an expansion of community membership to include potentially affected locations for the duration of the project.

It was noted that noise complainant data from the last 3 years was sent to the Chair to assist with establishing the correct attendance coverage for the Committee. It was noted that over the last 3 years, complainants were received from 122 suburbs around the airport. A break down is below:

- 42 suburbs had more than 1 complainants in 3 years
- 3 suburbs had more than 10 complainants in 3 years (Mile End, Glenelg North and Hallett Cove)

It was noted that the Committee has a very wide range of representatives.

Airservices Aircraft Noise Information Reports for Adelaide are available [here](#).

It was noted that there are several ways to lodge a complaint or make an enquiry about aircraft noise or operations with AirServices Noise Complaints and Information Service (NCIS).

- directly via WebTrak
- using AirServices' online form
- by calling 1800 802 584 (freecall) (Due to COVID-19 this number isn't available)  
The hotline is staffed Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays, from 9 am-5 pm Sydney time
- by fax (02) 9556 6641; or
- by mail – Noise Complaints and Information Service PO Box 211, Mascot NSW 1460

**6.4 Aircraft Noise Ombudsman Report** – Nothing to report to Committee.

**6.5 Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) – Review of Adelaide Airspace** – No update.

## **7.0 PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

**7.1 Planning Co-ordination Forum Report (PCF)** – The report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: Given the ongoing international border restrictions and volatility regarding COVID, PAL wrote to the Deputy Prime Minister on 5 August seeking a two year extension for the PAL Master Plan following discussions with DITRDC. In its letter, PAL noted that it would be extremely difficult currently to forecast Parafield Airport activities with any certainty and such, a forecast would not be a true representation of forecasts for the purposes of public consultation. DITRDC has informed PAL that given they are expecting international borders to reopen mid to late 2022, they have recommended an 18 month extension to be signed off by the Deputy Prime Minister. This extension would mean the PAL Master plan is due in June 2024.

**7.2 City of West Torrens (CWT)** – The Report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: The Property and Assets Group at CWT have been very busy. A number of grant funding and stimulus packages have been available, and the council have been accessing for ovals, clubs etc. The property impacts from the Torrens to Darlington for the North South Corridor project were noted.

**7.3 City of Holdfast Bay** – Nothing to report to Committee.

**7.4 City of Adelaide** – Nothing to report to Committee.

**7.5 City of Charles Sturt** – Nothing to report to Committee.

**7.6 West Beach Parks Report** – Nothing to report to Committee.

**7.7 Town of Walkerville Report** – Nothing to report to Committee.

## **8 NEW/ OTHER BUSINESS**

### **8.1 Airborne Gravity Survey – Geoscience Australia**

This item hasn't progressed any further.

### **8.2 Proposed Buckland Park Development**

A number of maps were shown to the Committee displaying the flights that overfly the Buckland Park area based on AirServices Australia data. Based on recorded flights in 2019, approximately 100 aircraft per day passed over the Buckland Park area. As predicted in the 20-year plan, this number would grow to 140 flights per day. If this area was to be residential, then a letter informing all buyers would be encouraged, similar to the letter the City of Salisbury produce. The Chair thanked ASA for their hard work in collecting the data.

### **8.3 Consultative Committee and Technical Working Group Chair – Expression of Interest Process**

An Expression of Interest (EOI) document was circulated to all Committee members and was also sent to two prospective candidates. It was noted submissions close on 17 September 2021. A recommendations panel has been created which is comprised of six Adelaide and Parafield Committee members with the panel to make a recommendation to the Airport Managing Director for decision. It was requested that the Committee consider the EOI, noting the key requirement of independence and send any potential candidates to Alicia Bickmore.

### **8.3 Russell McArthur**

It was noted that Russell McArthur would be moving to AirServices Australia. Russell's contribution to both the Airport and the Committee was noted and will be missed. It was noted that the Committee had limited insight into the Department before Russell joined the Committee and Russell had created reports such as the dispensation report to provide members with detail. The Chair noted that Russell's

support has been invaluable to the Committee. The Committee, airports and local councils were thanked by Russell for their collaboration and engagement with the Department.

#### **8.4 Airport Signage – Western Suburbs**

A Committee member noted the lack of signage when heading to the Airport from the Beach. DIT will investigate and report back.

### **9 FORMAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **9.1 Sir Donald Bradman and Marion Road Intersection Upgrade**

This item is only in early planning stage and nothing further is available to be provided.

### **10.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS**

#### **10.1 Helicopter return to base procedure in curfew – ASA**

#### **10.2 Airport signage – Western Suburbs (DIT)**

### **11.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next formal meeting is scheduled for Friday 19 November 2021 at 9am.

**Meeting Closed at 9:59am**

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