

Adelaide Airport Consultative Committee (AACC) MINUTES



Date: 21 August 2025

Starting time: 9:00am

Location: Coorong Room, Adelaide Airport Management Centre

1.0 WELCOME

The Chair opened the meeting at 9.02am and welcomed those present acknowledging the traditional custodians and then proceeded with the business set out in the Agenda.

| Present | Company/Organisation |
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| Kate BALDOCK | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Brenton BURMAN – Chair | Independent Chair |
| Brenton COX | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Angelo CATINARI | City of West Torrens |
| Tim GILL (<i>by Teams</i>) | Airservices Australia (ASA) |
| Damien ANDERSON (<i>by Teams</i>) | Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) |
| Iliia HOURIDIS (<i>by Teams</i>) | City of Adelaide |
| Michael LOWE (<i>by Teams</i>) | West Beach Neighbourhood Watch |
| Kate ANDERSON | West Beach Parks |
| Tom GANLEY (<i>by Teams</i>) | Parafield Airport Limited (PAL) |
| Bob OWEN | Netley Residents Association |
| Adam REED | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Edgar AGIUS | City of Charles Sturt |
| Vicki SIMMONS (<i>by Teams</i>) | Malaysia Airlines |
| Barry SALTER | Holdfast Bay Residents Alliance |
| Helen BRAITHWAITE | Green Adelaide - Dept for Environment and Water |
| Brett EATON (<i>by Teams</i>) | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Stefan SMERDON | Aircraft Noise Ombudsman |
| Robert SNEWIN (<i>by Teams</i>) | City of Holdfast Bay |
| Kym MEYS | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Michael COXON | City of West Torrens |

| Apologies | Company/Organisation |
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| Alicia BICKMORE | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| James SANGSTER | Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) |
| Jonathan WILSON | South Australian Freight Council (SAFC) |
| Adam GLADMAN | The Department |
| David COWELL | Airport Environment Officer |

2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 22 MAY 2025

The Minutes were approved on 23 June 2025 and loaded onto the Airport's website.

3.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

3.1 A request was made to include freight statistics in future report

This item is ongoing.

3.2 DIT new representative contracts details will be provided

Details have been provided to the Committee.

4.0 CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Correspondence In:

- Apologies
- Reports
- Letter from Committee member regarding community consultation
- Response from the Commonwealth – letter sent from the Chair regarding attendance

4.2 Correspondence Out:

- Previous Minutes, Agenda and Reports
- Project Flight concepts

5.0 AIRPORT UPDATE

5.1 Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) Report

The Report was tabled, and the following was noted: The financial year 2025 set a record-breaking 8.7 million passengers — marking a 2.3 per cent increase over FY24. International traffic continued trending upward, with more than 1 million passengers travelling through the airport and outgrowing FY24 by 8 per cent.

In Q4 FY25, Adelaide Airport saw more than 2.1 million passengers passing through the terminal. This marks a 2.9 per cent increase in passenger traffic compared with the same period last year, driven by solid demand for international and domestic travel.

International traffic reached 276,000 passengers this quarter, reflecting a strong 17.2 per cent increase compared with the previous quarter. The growth was contributed to by Malaysia Airlines seasonal capacity boosts and Fiji Airways increasing services from two to three flights per week — adding 340 seats weekly. A key milestone was also achieved on 25 June 2025, with the launch of Indonesia AirAsia's service to Bali.

Domestic and regional saw 1.9 million passengers passing through the terminal — an increase of 1.1 per cent. Leisure travel played a key role in this growth, boosted by the April school holidays and Adelaide-based events like AFL Gather Round, which attracted strong visitor numbers. This level of growth was exceptional in the context of Adelaide's fourth largest domestic carrier, REX, exiting from the domestic market.

Looking ahead to FY26, Adelaide Airport is set to welcome the return of Cathay Pacific and Air New Zealand's Christchurch service, along with the launch of Qantas international flights to Auckland and United Airlines flights to San Francisco.

Renders for Project Flight which is AAL's next phase of terminal construction projects was sent to all members during the quarter and the Airport is very excited to delivery these projects.

5.2 Property Development Report

The Report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: The Australian Space Park – Fleet Building was handed over to Renewal SA and their tenant, Fleet Space Technologies in June 2025. The building was delivered to a very high standard, on time and underbudget.

5.3 Environment Report

The report was tabled and taken as read and the following noted: The Adelaide and Parafield Airport PFAS PCG was held during August, with updates provided on separate investigations being undertaken by Airservices Australia and the Commonwealth. Airservices have provided their Detailed Site Investigations report, as well as updated Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment to AAL, and this will be presented to key stakeholders of the PCG in the coming months. The Commonwealth investigations are also progressing, with all site investigations near completion for Adelaide. It is

expected that reports for Commonwealth Investigations will be available for review by Adelaide Airport in late 2025.

Several soil and groundwater assessments were undertaken through the quarter including developments along Buttercup Link Road from Richmond Road, and baseline soil assessments for pre-development lease commencement in Catalyst Park and Airport Junction. AAL is also continuing to progress the design of SA Water potable main realignment. Routine compliance air quality monitoring reporting was also provided for Parafield Airport, prior to relocating the monitor to Adelaide Airport for a further 3 months of monitoring.

A small number of complaints were received during the quarter in relation to ground based activities, including an ongoing complaint from residents adjacent the Adelaide University playing fields in Foreman Street West Beach. Adelaide Airport has also been in contact with the West Beach Neighbourhood Watch to discuss plans for development along the northern side of West Beach Road

The Friends of Patawalonga Creek continued their volunteer work throughout the quarter, with Trees for Life assisting with ongoing watering of new plants planted throughout the extended dry period. Trees for Life were also engaged to undertake an additional planting upon land in Mountbatten Grove West Beach, where previous planting had been undertaken in 2024. This was also represented by volunteers from SA Power Networks, working in conjunction with Trees for Life.

There were 6 confirmed strikes reported at Adelaide during the quarter, with strikes continuing to remain low.

The prestigious Engineering Heritage Award presented to the Vickers Vimy aircraft, specifically the G-EAOU, by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE). This award recognizes the aircraft's significance as a historical artifact and its contribution to the field of mechanical engineering, particularly in aerospace. The award was presented at [Adelaide Airport](#) in a ceremony held on July 25, 2025.

5.4 Adelaide Airport Technical Working Group (AATWG)

The group met the day prior and discussed a number of items including the completion of all current runway and taxiway projects, building heights, upcoming runway closures due to routine works and Airservices provided a comprehensive presentation on the Aircraft in your Neighbourhood background technical work.

6.0 AIRPORT AGENCY UPDATE REPORTS

6.1 Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (DITRDCA)

The report was provided and included updates on Rex, Whyalla Airport update, Sunsetting, Western Sydney Airport, Aviation Industry Ombuds Scheme, Aircraft Operations during the curfew period, movement summary and dispensations. It was noted that curfew movements have decreased since the last quarter.

6.2 State Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) Report

It was noted that consultation on the Public Transport Strategy closed in June and a large number of submissions were received. The feedback received will help guide future developments. The Tram Grade Separation Projects have commenced and will provide better traffic benefits. The renewal of Jetty Road Glenelg is underway. The Marion Road and Sir Donald Bradman Drive Intersection Upgrade will be completed in early 2026 and will improve access to the airport.

6.3 Airservices Australia (ASA) Report

It was noted that aircraft traffic is stable and below the 3-year average. 22 individual complainants were received and the main complaint issues included standard flight path movements, curfew movements, general aviation traffic, helicopters and unusual movements. It was noted that the airports complaint

numbers are low compared to other major international Australian airports especially as it's an inner-city airport.

More information can be found here [Airports - Airservices](#).

6.4 Aircraft Noise Ombudsman (ANO) Report

Nothing to report.

7.0 PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS

7.1 Planning Co-ordination Forum Report (PCF)

It was noted that an office building development was discussed which is in a similar location as the Airport Management Centre. The development is out for marketing interest and the final design will depend on the tenants. A number of technical studies have been completed for this location and as the development will exceed \$25 million, a Major Development Plan will be required.

7.2 City of West Torrens (CWT)

The report was tabled and taken as read and the following noted: It was noted that the Council has a strong interest in tree canopy coverage, traffic and drainage. It was noted that Thebarton Theatre works have concluded and a formal reopening will occur in October. It was noted that the Council have several road upgrades at the moment and have invested a lot of money to improve traffic.

7.3 City of Holdfast Bay

It was noted that the Jetty Road Glenelg upgrades are progress well and it was noted the Council is experiencing issues with the Algae Bloom.

7.4 City of Adelaide

It was noted that the Council are involved in the pre-work for COP31 and noted a location announcement is expected in November 2025.

7.5 City of Charles Sturt – Nothing to report.

7.6 West Beach Parks Report

It was noted that the park is receiving queries about the Algae Bloom and possible cancellations from interstate guests at Christmas time.

8.0 NEW / OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Updates from Community Representatives

The letter sent to the Committee regarding resident consultation was discussed and noted that early consultation would be appreciated. It was noted a presentation will be provided on Merit Use Applications and Major Development Plans including a summary of what community consultation is currently provided at the next meeting.

A Committee member congratulated the airport on the recent taxiway works and noted that the residents appreciated the consultation.

It was noted a memorial bench located on Ansett Avenue view is obstructed and the local council are looking at solutions.

9.0 FORMAL PRESENTATIONS

Nil

10.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

10.1 A request was made to include freight statistics in future reporting.

10.2 A presentation will be provided regarding merit use applications and major development plans, including a summary of what community consultation is currently undertaken

11.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next formal meeting is scheduled for Thursday 13 November 2025 at 9.00am.

Meeting Closed at 9:57am