

# Adelaide Airport Consultative Committee (AACC) MINUTES



**Date:** 22 May 2020

**Starting time:** 9:00am

**Location:** Teleconference

## 1.0 WELCOME

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

<b>Present</b>	<b>Company</b>
Russell Synnot – Chair	Synnot & Wilkinson
Mark Young	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Brenton Cox	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Brett Eaton	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
Rob Kaftan	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)
Robert Snewin	City of Holdfast Bay
Roberto Bria	City of Holdfast Bay
Evan Knapp	South Australian Freight Council
Phillip Martin	Adelaide City Council
Mike Wilde	Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI)
Juergen Ruppert	Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI)
Robert Owen	Netley Residents Association
Michael Coxon	City of West Torrens
Terry Buss	City of West Torrens
Trian Gonis	Office of Steve Georganas
Barry Salter	Holdfast Bay Residents Alliance
Alby Goodsell	AirServices Australia (ASA)
Fiona Lawton	AirServices Australia (ASA)
Kenzie van den Nieuwelaar	City of Charles Sturt
Joseph Solomon	The Department
Peter Atkins	The Department
Garth Palmer	West Beach Resident Alliance

<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Company</b>
Steve Georganas	Member for Adelaide
Marylou Bishop	Town of Walkerville

## 2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 21 FEBRUARY 2020

Proposed – Bob Owen and Seconded Garth Palmer that the notes of the 21 February 2020 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**

#### **4.1 Air quality study – AAL**

COVID-19 has resulted in sustained lack of flying – this has minimalised the possibility of aircraft engine emissions and also continues to have a severe financial impact on AAL. As a result this item has currently been put on hold.

#### **4.2 Netley Noise Attenuation Mound update – AAL**

Progress currently impacted by COVID-19 similar to that described above.

#### **4.3 Trash collection Keswick/ Brown Hill Creek Update - AAL**

NRM recently cleaned out the area and the Airport was provided a good briefing from NRM. The Airport's maintenance team was also now aware to know to pay more attention to this area. A Committee member thanked the City of West Torrens for arranging a meeting and discussing the issues. It was noted that the Airport would arrange a meeting with SA Water to discuss their responsibilities.

#### **4.4 Update on South Road extension work – DPTI**

Some investigation work is occurring on the North-South corridor to understand the subsurface, geology, structure and the feasibility of delivering these options before they progress to a decision on the final configuration of the corridor. This will likely occur towards the end of the year.

#### **4.5 Building heights CBD development – AAL**

Since the last meeting, 6 approvals have been granted including building developments, oval lights and cranes. The proponents of the proposed high-rise development on Pulteney Street have re-worked their submission which is now lodged with ASA and CASA for assessment. The re-work includes changes to the tower crane height but not the height of the building.

#### **4.6 Key Stakeholders – Draft Flight Path Design Principles – ASA**

Please refer item 6.3.

### **5.0 AIRPORT UPDATE**

**5.1 Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) Report** – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: Much of AAL's operations were now closed or functioning in only a limited way. There were no international services operating outside of repatriation flights, and domestic and regional flying was down by 97 per cent.

The Committee was reminded that the airport was privately owned – largely by a number of Australian superannuation funds. Due to AAL's international customer base, the airport recognised very early on that this was going to be an extremely challenging period for the business and implemented sensible and prudent steps to ensure the Airport was in the best position to make it through COVID-19 and emerge strongly. The Airport has implemented a raft of proactive and sensible

measures to preserve financial viability. The Airport has taken steps to reduce operating costs, without compromising the ongoing safety and security of all stakeholders including essential travellers and staff.

It was noted that a number of freight-only Singapore Airlines flights have operated out of Adelaide and are being underwritten by the Australian Government. The program is designed to ensure local suppliers maintain access to export markets.

Ongoing construction of AAL's terminal expansion project is still proceeding, as is planning for the Airport East freight and logistics hub and the commencement of construction of the headquarters for Mitsubishi.

Importantly, the Airport is already looking ahead to what the recovery phase may look like and what actions we can take to ensure a smooth reintroduction of services and facilities, particularly within the terminal precinct and with the health and safety of passengers and staff paramount.

A Committee member thanked the Airport for looking after staff and for doing a great job under trying circumstances.

**5.2 Property and Development and Land Use Report** – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: The Property Department's focus has been dealing with the impact COVID-19 has had on tenants and looking after various requests. The construction of the new facility for Pilatus Australia is progressing well and the project is running to program. The construction program is anticipated to complete by August 2020. It was noted that the current times were tough for property development.

**5.3 Environment Report** – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: AirServices has been conducting surveys to monitor PFAS in the West Beach area and is investigating any long-term changes or seasonal variations. The third round of results are available and the results are consistent with the data collected in September and December 2019, but AirServices will continue to monitor for 2 more years. The Airport has updated the Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment regarding PFAS. All investigation data, including the groundwater survey data, were taken into account when calculating the risk assessment. It was noted that off airport risk was low and acceptable.

**5.4 Adelaide Airport Technical Working Group (AATWG)** – A number of issues were discussed at the last meeting including the status of COVID-19 and the impacts on the operations and business, particularly relating to fluctuating noise complaint numbers, issues with TEx, Master Plan and height limitations.

**5.5 Adelaide Airport Master Plan** – The Adelaide Airport Master Plan was approved on 2 March 2020 and is now available on the [Adelaide Airport website](#). No conditions were attached to the approved Plan but a few minor amendments and clean-up of some of the language was completed. This included clarification around aviation training facilities and land use farming. A Committee member thanked the Airport for responding to every dot point provided in submissions. The Airport noted that Plan is better from all the submissions received and thanked everyone who provided their input.

## **6.0 AIRPORT AGENCY UPDATE REPORTS**

**6.1 Department of Infrastructure** – The report was tabled with the following items noted: The Department congratulated the Airport on the Adelaide Airport Master Plan document.

The Department have been busy in the initial response to COVID-19 which includes supporting the aviation sector during the COVID-19 crisis. The Department has set up a new structure which used to be the aviation and airport division. It's now in 2 separate divisions; one is focused on policy responses to the various issues arising and the other is focused on rolling out the range of programs

the Government has announced. Most of those measures were focused on keeping airlines flying. The COVID-19 economic impact has been felt right across the country and any additional support for the industry would be a last resort but the Department is in regular contact with airports and airlines.

Fourteen curfew dispensations were approved between January and March 2020 and no diversions occurred. A question was asked about low-noise heavy freighter movements and if these have reduced since COVID-19. It was noted that these operations have largely continued as normal.

**6.2 State Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure Report** – DPTI are supporting the Airport with the Ground Transport Strategic Infrastructure Plan which is progressing well. Due to COVID-19, DPTI are accelerating some of the planning study work across the State including the Marion Road study.

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

#### COVID-19 Update

ASA has entered into a new way of working and have implemented strict protocols as social distancing is hard to do in close quarters. ASA teams have their own toilets and kitchen and anyone showing flu/COVID symptoms can only return to work once a negative test is shown. Those who aren't required in the office are working from home. ASA has experienced a significant reduction in revenue and are reviewing all expenditure.

#### Noise complaints

Due to the working from home arrangements, the noise complaint phone number has been discontinued as calls aren't able to be recorded from home. While capital city airport complainant numbers have decreased, complainant numbers have increased greatly across Australia from GA Airports as more people work from home. These predominantly relate to emergency services, helicopter operations, and medical operations.

#### Draft Flight Path Design Principles

ASA plan to release the Final Principles and supporting documentation for a public comment period from 29 May 2020.

#### ANO

New ANO – Mr Kieran Pehm

AirServices Aircraft Noise Information Reports for Adelaide are available here: <http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/aircraftnoise/airports/>.

It was noted that there are a number of 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 - <https://webtrak.emsbk.com/adl3>
- using AirServices' online form – [www.airservicesaustralia.com/aircraftnoise/about-making-a-complaint/how-to-make-a-complaint/](http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/aircraftnoise/about-making-a-complaint/how-to-make-a-complaint/)
- 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
- Adelaide Historical WebTrak Noise application: <http://myneighbourhood.bksv.com/adl5/>

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

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

**7.1 Planning Co-ordination Forum Report (PCF)** – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: The submission AAL provided on the Planning and Design Code was discussed which included expanding the Facilities Zone to include a wide range of activities that are not necessarily aviation and defence related.

The Chair of the PCF has transitioned. After 12-13 years Brenton Burman will transition as Chair of the PCF to Kym Meys, the Airports Planning and Infrastructure Executive General Manager. Brenton was acknowledged for his dedication to the Forum and strong contributions over many years and will still remain a valued member of the forum. This is a natural succession transition but due to COVID-19 has been brought forward.

**7.2 City of West Torrens (CWT)** – The Report was tabled and taken as read.

**7.3 City of Holdfast Bay** – The Council has been hit hard with COVID-19 as are other Councils especially as the Council relies on tourism and international tourists. The Council's focus has been assisting the Community and Local Business.

**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**

### **8.0 FORMAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **8.1 PFAS Update – Airservices**

Please refer item 5.3.

#### **8.2 Terminal Expansion Update (TEx)**

Please refer item 5.1.

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

#### **10.1 Air Quality Study Update – AAL**

#### **10.2 Netley noise attenuation mound Update – AAL**

#### **10.3 Trash Collection Keswick/ Brown Hill Creek Update – AAL**

#### **10.4 Update from DPTI on South Road extension work – DPTI**

#### **10.5 Building heights CBD development – AAL**

#### **10.6 Draft Flight Path Design Principles – ASA**

**10.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next formal meeting is scheduled for Friday 21 August 2020 at 9am - location and mode of meeting is to be confirmed.

**Meeting Closed at 10:47am**

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