

Adelaide Airport Consultative Committee (AACC) MINUTES



Date: 20 November 2020

Starting time: 9:00am

Location: Microsoft Teams

1.0 WELCOME

The Chair opened the meeting at 0900hrs 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.

Present	Company
Russell Synnot – Chair	Synnot & Wilkinson
Mark Young	Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL)
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 Snewin	City of Holdfast Bay
Mike Wilde	Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT)
Robert Owen	Netley Residents Association
Angelo Catinari	City of West Torrens
Elena Tieri	Office of Steve Georganas
Barry Salter	Holdfast Bay Residents Alliance
Klinton Devenish	City of Adelaide
Russell McArthur	The Department of Infrastructure
Kylie Hayes	The Department of Infrastructure
David McMahan	The Department of Infrastructure
Catherine Cashen	South Road Inner West Action Group (SRIWAG)
Walter Dollman	North Adelaide Residents Society
Alby Goodsell	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Fiona Lawton	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Garth Palmer	West Beach Resident Alliance
Evan Knapp	South Australian Freight Council (SAFC)

Apologies	Company
Terry Buss	City of West Torrens
Michael Coxon	City of West Torrens
Jeremy Westell	Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)
Rachel Sanderson	Member for Adelaide
Marylou Bishop	Town of Walkerville
Steve Georganas	Member for Adelaide

2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 21 AUGUST 2020

Proposed – Bob Owen and Seconded Evan Knapp that the notes of the 22 August 2020 meeting be adopted – Carried.

3.0 CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Correspondence In:

- Apologies
- Reports
- New Committee member request.

3.2 Correspondence Out:

- Previous Minutes, Agenda and Reports.

4.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Air quality study – AAL

Please note this item is on hold due to COVID-19.

4.2 Netley Noise Attenuation Mound update – AAL

The Airports facilities team has scheduled in weed management of the mound. The Airport thanked the community for their patience.

4.3 Trash collection Keswick/ Brown Hill Creek Update - AAL

The Watson Ave Basin was noted as due to be cleaned out early in the New Year.

4.4 Building heights CBD development – AAL

It was noted that 4 buildings have gone through the approval process under the Airports Act. 3 tower cranes have been approved and 2 other developments are currently awaiting assessment by CASA and ASA. The development on Pulteney Street is currently with the Department of Infrastructure for assessment and still waiting on CASA and ASA advice.

4.5 Update on PFAS investigations and actions – AAL

ASA undertook its sixth quarterly monitoring round in September. Airservices has engaged GHD Pty Ltd to undertake ongoing monitoring of offsite groundwater monitoring wells, located within the residential area to the west of the Adelaide Airport. The latest results indicated that PFAS concentrations in groundwater down hydraulic gradient of the Adelaide Airport are similar to previous monitoring events and within the same order of magnitude. As such, PFAS concentrations in groundwater are considered to be stable within the assessment area. The next quarterly monitoring will be completed in mid-December with the results available in January 2021.

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: A FAQ document regarding the Airports operations during the South Australian lockdown is available on the [Airports website](#). It was noted that international inbound passenger services have been temporarily suspended. International aircraft will still be arriving but only carrying freight. The international flights will be departing with very limited passengers who have exceptions to travel.

5.2 Property and Development and Land Use Report – The Report was tabled and the following was noted: The TEx project will be looking to open up parts of the Northern end of the Terminal (shut since mid-March) by Christmas. It was noted that a Committee Member would like a briefing about the Airport East activities. It was noted this will be arranged by the Airport.

5.3 Environment Report – The report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: In September maintenance dredging was undertaken at the northern end of Patawalonga Creek adjacent West Beach Road. This was following observations showing increasing water levels backing-up in the Mile End-Cowandilla drain, on the northern side of the culvert (owned by City of West Torrens). A significant volume of native reeds and associated sediment was removed which was likely restricting the flow of water throughout the greater creek system. Due to increased rain forecast for the final quarter of 2020, and a history of flooding in this area, the area will be monitored closely in the coming months. AAL is working with the City of West Torrens, to coordinate future maintenance works in this area as required.

5.4 Adelaide Airport Technical Working Group (AATWG) – A number of areas of the airport were discussed including the curfew dispensations, airspace review, ASA update, height limitations and runway closures. All items discussed were covered in depth at this meeting from the various stakeholders.

5.5 Terminal Expansion Report (TEx) – It was noted that, in line with Government requirements, the TEx construction site and all other AAL construction sites across the airport will be closed during lockdown.

6.0 AIRPORT AGENCY UPDATE REPORTS

6.1 Department of Infrastructure – The report was tabled with the following items noted: The Australian Government is examining options to further support and strengthen the aviation industry, both to manage the current impacts of the COVID-19 downturn, support the recovery and look at pathways for longer-term reform. The Future of Australia's Aviation Sector Issues Paper can be downloaded [here](#). Submissions closed Friday 13 November, some late submissions until the end of November have been accepted.

Government Response to COVID-19:

- Aviation traffic is still far below pre-COVID-19 levels.
- Including the measures outlined in the Budget, the Australian Government has provided \$2.7 billion in support for the aviation sector. This includes:
 - Extending the Domestic Aviation Network Support program to 31 January 2021;
 - Extending the Regional Airline Network Support program to 28 March 2021;
 - Continuing the International Freight Assistance Mechanism until 30 June 2021; and
 - Supporting the Civil Aviation Safety Authority, Airservices Australia and the Australian Transport Safety Bureau.
- Government support measures are detailed at Australia.gov.au
 - JobKeeper has been extended until 28 March 2021 in recognition of the continuing effects of COVID-19 on the economy and across all industries.

It was noted that airports had received JobKeeper but otherwise had not at this point received any direct government support but had likely indirectly benefited from the support to airlines.

The National Airport Safeguarding Advisory Group, last meet on 21 August 2019. COVID-19 has pulled all resources but will reconvene when appropriate.

The Sunsetting review of regulations is continuing.

Breaches of Adelaide Airport Curfew
August 2020

- The Department has investigated a breach of curfew which occurred on 25 August 2020.

- An international airline was found to have arrived into Adelaide Airport during the morning curfew period without a dispensation in place.
- The airline had planned for an arrival after the curfew period. However, human error has resulted in a landing prior to the curfew period ceasing.
- The international airline has advised that procedures have been put in place to minimise future breaches of the curfew from occurring in the future. The Department will not be pursuing further action against the airline as a result of a first offence.

November 2020

- The Department is investigating a breach of curfew which occurred on 14 November 2020.
- A business jet was reported as arriving into Adelaide Airport during the curfew period without a dispensation in place.

Dispensations granted at Adelaide Airport

- In October 2020, the Department granted 2 dispensations at Adelaide Airport. One was an arrival and one was a departure. Two dispensation requests were refused.

6.2 State Department of Infrastructure and Transport Report – The Government announcement of the Torrens to Darlington section being the final piece of the North South Corridor. Government announced a hybrid option was preferred and will include tunnels, motorways, under and over passes at key intersections and is expected to be completed in 2030. Refer to [link](#) Torrens to Darlington Project (T2D) home page. The Department will increase their level of interaction with the Airport and the Executive Director of the North South Corridor will now sit on the regular meetings with the Airport.

Providing admin and procedural support towards facilitating Airport East access on Transport Avenue. The infrastructure deed will progress which supports the Master Plan with an aim to complete by the end of the month.

6.3 AirServices Australia (ASA) Report – The last 24 hours has been exceptionally busy at ASA due to the Government lockdown announcement. ASA still needs to provide a service during this time so rosters have been reduced and risk assessments have been undertaken to allow a high duty of care.

Following a national consultation between 13 January – 9 March 2020 and a public comment period between 10 June – 8 July 2020, ASA has released a Flight Path Design Principles document. ASA would like to thank everyone who participated in the consultation and the public comment period by providing comments and submissions. During the public comment period, over 4,000 people visited the project page and ASA received a total of 143 comments and a number of detailed submissions. The Consideration of Feedback Report and the Principles document are available on Engage Airservices.

The Community Engagement Framework was released on 17 August 2020. ASA recognises that aviation operations and updates or changes to these operations, can impact communities in various ways. ASA recognise the value of engagement and engage with the community on flight path and airspace changes and current aircraft noise and operations. The Community Engagement Framework replaces the ASA Communication and Consultation Protocol (2016). More details about the Community Engagement Framework are available by accessing the documents through Airservices Website or Engage Airservices. ASA has upgraded their website and has a dedicated 'Community Tools' section.

The October reports have been updated and are available on the website. The complaint numbers are consistent and stable. The main issue noted is permitted curfew movements and emergency service operations.

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

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](#)
- 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 –

Stakeholder Feedback summary

- Received feedback from 21 stakeholders via the CASA Consultation Hub, 3 Direct emailed responses and a direct response from Airservices Australia.

Issues raised include:

- the numbers of and the volumetric size of current Restricted Areas under RAAF control;
- requirements for flight planning around these areas, versus that of direct planning through;
- congestion at Visual Reporting Points such as Outer Harbor – St Kilda and Dublin;
- number of Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STAR's), into Adelaide;
- desire for a Visual Coastal Route North and South of Adelaide;
- access to Parafield from the West, e.g., from Port Lincoln and Southern Yorke Peninsula;
- some areas of Class G airspace only provide for 1000ft terrain clearance in certain regions to Recreational Aviation Pilots;
- inefficiencies in Air Traffic management due to Adelaide Approach controllers being re located to Melbourne;
- arrival delays such as holding and vectoring during periods of apparent low traffic volumes;
- Gawler airfield proximity to RAAF Edinburgh and the associated airspace restrictions for pilots flying at Gawler;
- local drone flyers with apparent lack of knowledge on boundaries as to where drones can be operated in the public space; and
- general air traffic flow improvements requested by an Airline Pilot Representative Organisation.

The above points cover most issues relevant to airspace. Compilation and capture of all feedback is currently underway for internal peer review and it was anticipated that a public draft would be available in early December, however with the CASA Christmas shutdown over the Christmas period the release of the draft for public consultation will be in the New Year.

7.0 PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS

7.1 Planning Co-ordination Forum Report (PCF) – The report was tabled and taken as read.

7.2 City of West Torrens (CWT) – The Report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: The Council is excited about the hybrid tunnel option for the North South Corridor.

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

A Notification of Planned Activity - Airborne Gravity Survey was sent to all members. Please provide any questions to the Chair.

8.2 Thank You

The Chair thanked all members, stakeholders and presenters for the data provided and the detailed reports. The Chair thanked the Airport for continuing these meetings under difficult circumstances. The Chair wished everyone a safe Christmas and a Happy New Year.

9 FORMAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations to the Committee.

10.0 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

10.1 Netley noise attenuation mound update – AAL

10.2 Trash Collection Keswick/ Brown Hill Creek Update – AAL

10.3 Building heights CBD development – AAL

10.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next formal meeting is scheduled for Friday 19 February 2021 at 9am via Microsoft TEAMS.

Meeting Closed at 9:41am

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