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## **MEDIA ADVISORY NOTE / MEDIA RELEASE**

### **‘Real time’ mock emergency exercise at Archerfield Airport**

Archerfield Airport Corporation (AAC) will conduct a multi-agency, ‘real time’ mock emergency exercise at Archerfield Airport to test the airport’s preparedness in dealing with an aircraft emergency.

**When: 9.30am to 12 noon - Tuesday July 10, 2018**

**Where: Airside, Archerfield Airport – near the corner of Ashover and Balham Roads, Archerfield**

Airport tenants and users, residents and those working in local businesses are advised that smoke devices will be used to simulate a fire, and that emergency services will respond as they would in a genuine emergency (eg. sirens). Actors will also pose as injured passengers.

***\*There is no cause for alarm. This is a mock exercise only.***

The exercise, ‘Broken Bird’ will involve personnel from AAC, Airservices Australia, Queensland Police, Queensland Fire and Emergency Services, Queensland Ambulance Services and Queensland Government Air. All learnings from the exercise will be used to improve the airport’s Emergency Management Plan and multi-agency procedures employed in the event of an aircraft emergency.

**The exercise scenario:** A helicopter has a forced landing on airport (landside) with five people on board including the pilot. All are injured, although the pilot escapes from the wreckage. Air traffic controllers in the Tower declare an emergency and call Police. The crash site is wet because of recent rain; its location near the fence has attracted onlookers, causing traffic congestion. There are several B Double trucks parked along Balham Rd, parallel to the airport fence, impeding direct access to the site.

**Media:** Media representatives are invited to attend the emergency exercise; and any pre-event publicity to advise motorists or those working or living near the airport would be appreciated.

Media representatives who wish to be airside to cover the ‘emergency’ and associated response must attend a safety briefing/induction at 8.30am – ground floor of Terminal Building (access via Main Gates on Beatty Road). However vision of the ‘crash site’ may be possible from the footpath for those unable to attend the induction. Media representatives who are airside and wish to leave the ‘crash site’ before the exercise ends may do so, but only once an escort has been organised.

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