

## **Community Aviation Consultation Group**

Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 26 July 2017

**Meeting:** 4.00 - 6.00pm

Venue: Acacia Ridge and Districts Community Centre

	Topic		
1.0	Governance Introductions / Apologies  Opening address and welcome by the Chair at 4.00pm A list of member attendees and apologies is included at Attachment 1		
2.0	Adoption of minutes of previous meeting  Moved - Ian Tait Seconded - Tim Abberton		
3.0	Matters Arising from previous minutes		
	Bordan Blahy said at last meeting letter to CASA and Airservices from 3 years ago was going to be re-sent.  Heather Mattes advised there was a response from Airservices and CASA. CASA advised they did receive the letter in June 2014, however no evidence that it was actioned so as to provide a reply to the group. Russell Dwyer advised it was not a safety issue and should be referred to Airservices as they are the entity responsible for noise matters.		
Action	Copy of response letter from Airservices to be emailed to CACG members with minutes along with map of the airport.		
4.0	<ul> <li>Correspondence</li> <li>Letter advising Narelle Ball appointment as Aircraft Noise Ombudsman.</li> <li>Letter from resident 5 March regarding low flying plane.</li> <li>Letter from Keith Barnes re low flying plane over Acacia Ridge.</li> <li>Letter from the Airservices to Jan Taylor – Chairperson – Archerfield Airport CACG regarding Flight Path review – CACG letter 20 June 2014.</li> </ul>		



## **Archerfield** Airport Corporation

## 5.0 Archerfield Airport Update by Heather Mattes

**Airport Feedback Report** – This is a new process where we log any feedback about the airport. Topics from spreadsheet were reviewed.

**Anzac Day** – Heather took concerns about noise on Anzac Day to AAC Board Meeting and the Board has agreed to restrict all circuit activity from midnight to 1pm on Anzac Day the same as State Government restrictions. Aircraft will be allowed to land but certain activities will not be allowed. Some organisations get requested for flyover, AAC does not get involved with these requests. CACG has commended AAC for this action.

**Master Plan 2017 – 2037** – The Master Plan was approved by the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport The Hon Darren Chester MP on 15 July 2017. There are no material changes, other than the removal of the east/west tunnel from under the airport as agreed by State and Local Governments.

**Corporate Social Responsibility** – This year AAC has donated to Save the Children and Aussie Helpers.

**Social Events** – AAC hosted a Women in Aviation - International Women's Day cocktail evening in the terminal. The guest speaker was an aeromedical retrieval nurse from LifeFlight. Aviation Historical Society Australia meets weekly in the terminal building. Australian Federation of Air Pilots is holding a function in the terminal in September 2017. Southside Chamber of Commerce BAD (Business After Dark) evening in September 2017. Brisbane Open House is on 7 October 2017.

**Run-A-Way North** – AAC has sponsored a group of Basair students flying to North Queensland and the Northern Territory to raise awareness of aviation opportunities in the indigenous communities and to also raise funds for RFDS.

**Outback Air Race 2018** – The 2018 race will start from Archerfield Airport, head north then to Broome, the race raises funds for RFDS.

**Property** – Transition Estate Logistics Park external roadworks have been completed. Building 676 is being upgraded for LifeFlight Operations who will have 2 helicopters operational from Archerfield later this year. RQAC went into liquidation on 18 July 2017 after 98 years. Queensland Aero Club has formed and will retain the memorabilia. **Airside works** – work is being done on Taxiway Alpha, Taxiway Bravo East and on the main car park. AAC has just completed a Geotechnical survey on the main runway. Bordan Blay asked about the Geotech report; Heather advised that the CBR test is a penetration test for evaluation of the mechanical strength of the runway subgrades and base courses and in readiness for detail design for the main runway extension and strengthening improvement. AAC has engaged Avisure to manage high risk birds. **Inflight Noise complaints** – Nil

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**Environmental Site Assessments** – AAC are carrying out the Environmental Site Assessments when tenants vacate to ensure contaminated land is identified and remediated.

**PFAS & PFOS** – DIRD has issued Health Based Guidelines for Environmental Management of PFAS & PFOS.

**Annual Environmental Report** – AAC will take on more on-line resources, and will work with tenants to improve the standard of their environment reports. AAC will review any activities to determine any risks to surface water and will consult with QUU regarding high levels shown in monitoring points nearby the sewer pump that is on the airport.

**5 Year Asbestos Report** – This report has been completed with recommendations for remedial works in various buildings.

**Airspace Annual Technical Inspection & Survey** – This shows the trees have grown and infringe the OLS even further. Light poles on the sports field also infringe the OLS, AAC will be having further discussion with Brisbane City Council about those issues.



**Archerfield** Airport Corporation Airservices – AAC met with Airservices about changes to airspace for Archerfield Airport due to the growth of Amberley Airport operations and the new Brisbane Parallel Runway to open in 2020. Heather proposes to form a Technical Group and invites members of the CACG to ioin. Oxley Creek Transformation Group – AAC has met with them regarding a Brisbane City Council initiative for a 20 year transformation of the Oxley Creek boundary flood plains. Oxley Creek is a boundary for Archerfield Airport so they are wanting to know what they can do there. Special CACG meeting 20 September 2017 - AAC will outline the Major Development Plan and will do an in depth presentation. Email copy of March to June 2017 Airservices Noise Complaints and Action Information Service Reports Send maximum tree heights permitted and list of trees which do not attract birds to Robert Tompkins – Groundsman at Lady of Fatima School. 6.0 **Basair Presentation** Basair will retain Building 9 for Griffith University students. They are opening three new companies, Brisbane Aviators, Eagle Aircraft Maintenance and UAV Air for drone training. Drones are permitted within a 5km (3 nautical miles) of an airport. Basair have been approved by Boeing as an approved testing facility. Basair have 30 aircraft at Archerfield and are upgrading their two twin engine aircraft with 3 new twin engine aircraft and envision more students in the future. 7.0 Airservices Presentation To date in 2017 have had 69 noise complaints about Archerfield Airport which was a decrease from 2016. Most of the complaints were about emergency services and helicopters. 8.0 Aircraft Noise Ombudsman Update Introduction of Narelle Ball – Aircraft Noise Ombudsman, Tim Abberton – Deputy Aircraft Noise Ombudsman and Kate Burmister. No complaints about Archerfield Airport have been referred to the ANO in the last 12 Bordan Blahy had concerns the Airservices complaints system process is being pruned back making it more difficult for complaints to be lodged and once you have lodged a complaint once they won't take a second complaint from the same person. He believes people are now making complaints directly to AAC and that AAC has been inundated with complaints. Airservices don't recognise complaints made direct to airports and do not take the statistics into account. Statistics are looking good but not true statistics. He does not feel Airservices are providing a true statistic of noise complaints. Heather confirmed AAC advises all noise complaints are directed to contact Airservices and that AAC is not being inundated at all. Tim Abberton explained there have been discussions on the way complaints are handled. Airservices only take complaints on-line. They stopped taking email complaints as there is

a system that makes multiple complaints from the same person via fake email accounts.



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	Narelle said she is aware people don't make complaints. If a noise complaint comes directly to the ANO they refer them to Airservices in the first instance for their response. Complaints go to the ANO if they are not happy with the way the complaint was handled by Airservices.
9.0	Department of Infrastructure & Regional Development Update (Helen Gannon)  Proposed amendments to the Airports Act were referred to a Senate Committee. The Amendment Bill was open to the public for submissions and received 22 submissions during the public consultation process. The Senate Committee has agreed to defer its report into the Bill until March 2018. This timeframe will to allow the investigation by ATSB into the Essendon accident to be completed. Aviation Access Forum has advised that Virgin and Qantas Airlines have implemented some changes to facilitate better access for passengers with a disability. The Federal Budget includes some funding for aviation related matters. PFAS management continues to be an ongoing issue.
10.0	Meeting Closed 6pm. Next meeting - 20 September 2017 - 8 November 2017