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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Archerfield Airport welcomes new General Manager**

Rod Parry is the new General Manager of Archerfield Airport.

A former CEO of Hobart International Airport, Mr Parry brings to the role more than 22 years of executive leadership experience in the aviation industry.

Mr Parry has held management positions with Cathay Pacific Airways in Hong Kong, Hong Kong's Airport Authority, Qatar Airways in Qatar, and GMR Airports in India. He was General Manager, Operations and Planning for Hobart International Airport before his appointment as Airport CEO – a position he held for over seven years. In that role, Mr Parry was responsible for overhauling strategy and operations to enhance airport growth.

Archerfield Airport is undergoing major development and modernisation as Brisbane's metropolitan airport and the State's key centre for flight training and aeromedical/emergency services. Last month, the Deputy Prime Minister and Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Michael McCormack, approved a draft Major Development Plan for extension of the airport's main runway. The extension is among some \$17.5 million worth of planned airport improvements.

During his time at Hobart International Airport, Mr Parry's team secured funding for the airport's runway extension and implemented an eight-year capital investment works program. Since August 2017, Mr Parry has provided consultancy services to the aviation sector as Principal and Director of MW&M Consulting Pty Ltd.

Mr Parry said he was looking forward to the challenge of guiding the next major stage of development at Archerfield Airport.

"Archerfield Airport Corporation has embarked on an era of unprecedented investment to cater for aircraft currently using the airport and to meet anticipated future growth in aircraft movements," he said. "It is an exciting time for general aviation in South East Queensland, and I believe my experience in airport management and operations will assist to strike the right balance between short-term community and airport needs and the long-term vision for Archerfield Airport."

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