

MINUTES OF MEETING

Melbourne Airport Noise Abatement Committee

10.00 am Tuesday, 10 May 2011
Hume Conference Room, Level 2, T2, Melbourne Airport

1. WELCOME / APOLOGIES

Present:

Nathan Agnew (Chair)	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Renee Atkinson	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Trent Kneebush	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Victor Choi	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Marc Storti	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne
Carly Dixon	Australia Pacific Airports Melbourne

Darren Olsson	Airservices Australia
Mark Cenin	Airservices Australia
Catherine Hunichen	Brimbank City Council
David Kirkland	Department of Planning
Andrew Johnson	Hume City Council
Steve Finlay	Melton Shire Council
Renata Cugliari	Melton Shire Council
Coral Young	Moonee Valley City Council
George Kailis	Virgin Blue

Apologies:

Andrew Sellick	Qantas
Darren Jackson	Whittlesea City Council
Dianne Howard	Whittlesea City Council
Kris Pavlidis	Whittlesea City Council
Marianne Richards	Department of Transport
Tom Gunner	Department of Transport

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the February 2011 NAC meeting were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting proceedings.

3. ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Previous Action Item Update

Action: RNP Post Implementation Review to be undertaken by Airservices Australia in early 2011.

To remain as action and schedule for August NAC.

3.2 Previous Action Item Update

Action: Airservices to provide results of NFPMS review at May NAC Meeting.

Darren Olsson addressed at today's meeting.

4. REVIEW OF NOISE ENQUIRIES (JANUARY 2011 – MARCH 2011)

Melbourne Airport provided a summary of the noise complaints received by the Airservices Australia Noise Enquiry Unit relating to Melbourne Airport in January – March 2011. The number of monthly noise complaints was 280 complaints (from 58 complainants) in January, 174 complaints (from 54 complainants) in February and 193 complaints (from 61 complainants) in March.

Nathan Agnew advised that the spike in noise complaints is to be expected due to the Runway Overlay Works. Melbourne Airport has received complaints however the vast majority of complainants were satisfied that the noise is due to the overlay works and not a change in flight paths.

The Brimbank area has seen an increase in noise complaints however these should now reduce with the reopening of runway 09/27.

Trent Kneebush provided a summary by municipality. However it was noted that Keilor East is in the Moonee Valley municipality and not Brimbank.

Action: Summary of Complaints by Municipality to be amended and redistributed with Minutes.

Coral Young advised that a resident in Keilor East has made various complaints with no response from Airservices. Darren Olsson advised that a lot of complaints received appear to be comments and not necessarily requesting information or a response. However, he will obtain the details and review complaint.

Action: Coral Young to provide Darren Olsson with Keilor East complaint details for follow up

Nathan Agnew queried whether Airservices website provides details of the runway overlay project at Melbourne Airport or a link to our website? Darren Olsson advised no but are very interested at adding. Link can be found on the Follow Up Action List provided.

5. NOISE AND FLIGHT PATH MONITORING SYSTEM 2010 Q4

Melbourne Airport provided a summary of the 2010 Q4 NFPMS report. Trent Kneebush commented on the N70 findings and noted very marginal increases/decreases across most of the NMT locations.

Darren Olsson of Airservices provided an update on the NFPMS (Environmental Monitoring Units) review. The full report will be distributed via Melbourne Airport. Airservices initial recommendations include:

- Braybrook Environmental Monitoring Unit (EMU) to be recommissioned in a similar site, possible Avondale Heights;
- Keilor Village EMU is reading false positives, to be relocated to Caroline Springs;
- Diggers Rest EMU is due for renewal, looking for another site to be recommended;

- Additional EMU to be installed at Essendon Airport.

Airservices are seeking feedback from Councils over the next few weeks and are open to recommendation of sites. Any feedback and/or comments are requested by 19 July directly to Mark Cenin, Senior Advisor Community Relations at AirServices Australia via mark.cenin@airservicesaustralia.com.

Action: Melbourne Airport to distribute Airservices report on NFPMS (Environmental Monitoring Units) review.

Action: Airservices to report on findings/changes of EMU's at August NAC.

6. UPDATE ON THE PLANNING COORDINATION FORUM (PCF) AND COMMUNITY AVIATION CONSULTATION GROUP (CACG)

Carly Dixon provided an update on the new PCF and CACG meetings. The inaugural meetings have now been held and have received positive feedback.

As expected, high level decision makers attended the PCF. Members have been chosen to reflect the guidelines issued and the group may be expanded over time as identified. It was noted that Council representation is CEO level.

Coral Young expressed her concerns that if CEO's are not attending, then there is no Council representation. Melbourne Airport advised that invitations were sent to CEO's and they have been provided with 12 months notice of future meetings. Feedback from the PCF is CEO or Senior Level is required. Carly Dixon and Nathan Agnew will double check Council invitations as some Council representatives present at the NAC meeting were unaware of invitations being sent to their CEO.

Nathan Agnew advised that Melbourne Airport will be pushing the PCF to have the State Planning requirements brought in line with Australian Standards in relation to the Overlay discrepancy.

The CACG is chaired by Darrell Treloar. The next meeting will be held on 17 May in Keilor.

Both the PCF and CACG discussed the Noise Abatement Committee and both have agreed the NAC is seen as a highly productive committee and should continue to operate separate from these forums. The PCF will be discussing the role of the NAC at the next meeting on 26 May and Nathan requested Darren Olsson to attend.

Airservices confirmed that they will engage both the NAC and CACG until notified by the Government. Nathan Agnew will raise with the PCF the channel to formally lodge complaints via Airservices and request that this be communicated back to their relevant departments.

Nathan Agnew recommended that Darrell Treloar be contacted direct with any issues/comments relating to the CACG.

7. UPDATE ON THE RUNWAY MAINTENANCE OVERLAY PROJECT

Marc Storti provided an update on the Runway Overlay Project. Runway 09/27 was completed on 30 April 2011. Runway 16/34 has now commenced with the

runway being closed between midnight and 6am until mid June. Once Runway 16/34 is complete, both runways will require grooving works with final completion due in August 2011.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nathan Agnew tabled that the 2008 Master Plan identifies both a 3rd and 4th runway with no preference. Based on current forecasts, it appears a 3rd runway will be required within the next 10 years, therefore it is appropriate to expect a preference to be noted in the next Master Plan which is due in December 2013. Melbourne Airport are currently commencing studies to identify preferences and will keep the NAC updated.

Trent Kneebush advised that in addition to the Master Plan, a new ANEF will be conducted. The 2013 Master Plan will contain the 2013 ANEF.

Darren Olsson introduced Mark Cenin from Airservices who will be attending future NAC meetings.

Darren Olsson advised that Ron Brent, the Aircraft Noise Ombudsman has released his review of Complaint Handling by Airservices Australia. The report is available via www.ano.gov.au. Airservices have received 18 recommendations and have accepted all 18, although it will take time to implement. Airservices meet with Ron Brent every week to review current cases.

Coral Young advised she is retiring. Her replacement will be attending future NAC meetings.

Action: Coral Young to provide Trent Kneebush with contact details of her replacement on the NAC.

9. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 9 August 2011 at 10.00 am.

SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

- Action 1: RNP Post Implementation Review to be undertaken by Airservices Australia in early 2011. Update to be provided at August NAC**
- Action 2: Summary of Complaints by Municipality to be amended and redistributed with Minutes.**
- Action 3: Coral Young to provide Darren Olsson with Keilor East complaint details for follow up**
- Action 4: Melbourne Airport to distribute Airservices report on NFPMS (*Environmental Monitoring Units*) review.**
- Action 5: Airservices to report on findings/changes of EMU's at August NAC.**
- Action 6: Coral Young to provide Trent Kneebush with contact details of replacement.**