

# Parafield Airport Consultative Committee (PACC) Minutes of Meeting



**Date:** Thursday 19 November 2020

**Starting time:** 2:00pm

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

## 1.0 Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 1400 hrs and welcomed those present. A reminder to all members that the correspondence distributed is confidential until passed by vote of the Committee at the following meeting.

## 2.0 Attendance

<b>Present</b>	<b>Company</b>
Russell Synnot – Chair	Synnot & Wilkinson
Kym Meys	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Brenton Cox	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Alicia Bickmore	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Emma Boulby	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Matthew Eygenraam	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Jamie Sangster	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Brett Eaton	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Sue Trussell	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Michael Brown MP	State Member for Playford
Grant Mules	Flight Training Adelaide (FTA)
Pine Pienaar	Flight Training Adelaide (FTA)
Derek Pratt	Aerostar
David McMahon	Department of Infrastructure
Kylie Hayes	Department of Infrastructure
Russell McArthur	Department of Infrastructure
Alby Goodsell	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Fiona Lawton	Airservices Australia (ASA)
Robin Coleman	City of Tea Tree Gully
Adam Duncan	City of Salisbury
Mike Wilde	Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT)
Hannah Custance	Environment Protection Authority (EPA)
Joe Pedicini	Environmental Projects

<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Company</b>
Mark Young	Adelaide/ Parafield Airport Limited
Chris Boyd	Aerotech
Blair Boyer	Member for Wright
Jeremy Westell	Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)

## 3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 20 AUGUST 2020

Moved Sue Trussell and Seconded Pine Pienaar - the notes of the 20 August 2020 meeting be adopted and carried.

## **4.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **4.1 Correspondence In:**

- Reports
- Various letters and emails from local residents.

### **4.2 Correspondence Out:**

- Previous Minutes and Agendas
- Responses to resident's enquiries

## **5.0 ACTION ITEMS**

### **5.1 Update Report on PFAS Monitoring Program Results**

The report table was taken as read. The report outlined the community consultation concerning the latest Parafield Airport PFAS investigation. Investigation results were previously provided in April 2019 which included ground water surveys. GHD and Environmental Projects were engaged and installed wells and carried out some targeted water quality sampling on public land. A letter and information sheet which was sent to members will be provided to residents who have previously been notified. Committee member Michael Brown has provided useful feedback on the location of the letterbox drop as some residents were verbally spoken to and will now be included in the letterbox drop. It was noted that the PFAS monitoring would be winding down but waiting on a final decision from the EPA. The EPA and Environmental Projects were on the call to answer any questions.

### **5.2 The Commonwealth Department - Sun-Setting Regulations**

Please refer item 7.1.

### **5.3 Update on the flight movements study**

Please refer item 6.1.

### **5.4 Notification to new property owners**

This item will be moved to the next meeting.

### **5.5 Road widening - Kings McIntyre Road and Main North Road - PAL**

Please refer item 7.1.

### **5.6 ASA investigating noise complaint spike in Pooraka**

Please refer item 7.3.

## **6.0 AIRPORT UPDATE**

**6.1 Parafield Airport Limited (PAL) Report** – The report was tabled and taken as read and the following was noted: The flight movement study has been completed and a response has been sent to the City of Salisbury with the Airport's response on the Fly Friendly Program. Due to COVID-19, the number of movements will decrease. It was noted that all flight training has ceased and will not continue through the three-day lockdown period.

**6.2 Property Development Report** – The report was tabled and taken as read.

**6.3 Environment Report** – The report was tabled and taken as read.

**6.4 Technical Working Group (PATWG)** – The Committee discussed numerous items including flight movements and noise reporting. The reporting on the ANEF was also discussed. In the previous Parafield Airport Master Plan, an ultimate capacity ANEF, which showed at capacity, that the 30 ANEF contour was just starting to extend into residential housing. This was based on the very large number of flights included in the ANEF modelling for the year 2037. It was agreed with the City of Salisbury, the Commonwealth and the Airport that they would be kept up to date with any changes in the current situation or any issues which could affect the current situation. It was noted that the current quarter movement numbers were 57,000, this would need to increase to more than 80,000 movements for a quarter before the ANEF contours could move close to the residential area. A Committee Member from the City of Salisbury asked for a copy of the Airport's response sent to the City of Salisbury regarding the Fly Friendly Program. The impact of the South Australian lockdown was also discussed.

## **7.0 AIRPORT AGENCY UPDATE**

**7.1 Department of Infrastructure** – The continuing impact of COVID-19 is affecting the sector. The Australian Government is very conscious of the major impact and has contributed \$2.7billion to aid in industry recovery. Assistance has been given to the Civil Aviation Safety Agency (CASA) to ensure the continuing safe operations of aircraft despite the decline in revenue and also to ASA. A range of measures have been implemented to support airports for the longer term, such as reform to the existing Land Tax measures and some instruments under the Airports Act. It was noted Job Keeper has been extended until 28 March 2021.

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.

The Road widening of Kings Road, McIntyre Road and Main North Road project, the Department is currently considering a sublease application from the Commission of Highways in order to allow this project to go ahead. The project is joint funded between the Commonwealth and South Australian Government and totals \$6.5M.

**7.2 State Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) Report** – It has been announced recently that the next 12 months DIT will have a major planning focus. This includes a corridor study on Main North Road including the current 2-lane section adjacent to the Airport.

**7.3 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 is available by accessing the documents through Airservices Website or Engage Airservices.

ASA has upgraded their website and has a dedicated 'Community Tools' section.

ASA has investigated the noise complaint spike in Pooraka. It was noted that of the 8 complainants, 5 hadn't contact ASA previously. The complaints that were lodged related to circuit training. It was noted that an increase of flight movements were perceived but it's likely this was due to more residents working from home. Pooraka is located under the runway cross wind of the circuit.

The October reports have been updated and are available on the website. Since the spikes were received, the complaint numbers have gone back to stable numbers. 140 complaints have been received year to date. The main issue noted is the circuit training.

It was noted that ASA is working closely with the Country Fire Service as Parafield Airport will be intermittently housing a Black Hawke helicopter. This helicopter is quite large and can generate a large amount of noise but the benefit to the community is the fast response of a very capable helicopter which can operate effectively during an emergency.

A detailed AirServices online noise reporting can be accessed [here](#).

The method to lodge a complaint or make an enquiry about aircraft noise or operations with AirServices Noise Complaints and Information Service (NCIS) were noted:

- 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

**7.4 Aircraft Noise Ombudsman Report** – no report.

**7.5 Flight Training Adelaide (FTA) / Uni SA Aviation Academy Report** – FTA are seeing a sharp decline which is due to the international border closures. It was noted that FTA will be closing down for a week over Christmas (24 Dec-4 Jan).

It was noted that Aerostar has had an increase in flight training and helicopter training. This could be due to people having extra funds available and are spending it on flight training.

**7.6 Bruce Hartwig Flying School Report** – Nothing to report.

**7.7 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.

## **8.1 PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

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

**8.2 City of Salisbury** – It was noted that due to the lockdown, essential staff are still available. A thank you was provided to the Café located at Parafield Airport which has been very helpful for the COVID-19 testing site. It was noted that SA Health checked the Café's COVID-19 plans and COVID-19 procedures.

**8.3 City of Tea Tree Gully** – Nothing to report.

## **8.0 OTHER / NEW BUISNESS**

### **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.

## **9.0 PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations to the Committee.

## **10.0 ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

10.1 PFAS Update

10.2 Commonwealth Sun-Setting regulations – ongoing item

10.3 Notification to new property owners

**Date of Next Meeting** – Thursday 18 February 2021

**Meeting Closed** – 2:47pm