

SYDNEY AIRPORT COMMUNITY FORUM



Sydney Airport Preliminary Draft Master Plan

**Briefing by the
Sydney Airports Corporation Ltd**

**Conference Room B, 8th Floor
70 Phillip Street, Sydney**

**Tuesday, 31 July 2003
4pm – 5pm**

DRAFT SUMMARY RECORD

Agenda Item: Opening Remarks

The meeting commenced at 4pm.

Senator Payne thanked members for attending this meeting of the Sydney Airport Community Forum (SACF) at short notice.

The purpose of this meeting was to allow Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd (SACL) to give a presentation to SACF Members on the Preliminary Draft Master Plan. Senator Payne acknowledged SACL's offer to provide SACF members with individual briefings which members should take up.

Senator Payne welcomed SACF members, in particular the Federal Members of Parliament and proxies for attending this meeting and indicated that a number of members had sent apologies. Attachment A details the attendance and apologies for this meeting. Attachment B details advisers and observers attending the meeting.

Journalists from the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) were permitted to film the opening address of the meeting. The ABC journalists and film crew left at 4.05pm.

The Chair suggested that any informed discussion on this master plan be held over until the next regular meeting of SACF on 19 September 2003 which Members supported. Members were advised that they could advise the Secretariat of any items pertaining to the master plan for discussion at that meeting.

Lisa Smith emphasised that the document was under embargo until midnight on 31 July 2003.

Lisa Smith presented the Preliminary Draft Master Plan to Members for the express purpose of giving them a preview of its content and to provide them with a copy of the document before its release on Friday, 1 August 2003. Members' questions will be taken on notice and answers provided at the next meeting. SACL gave a copy of the Preliminary Draft Master Plan to every Member present and undertook to provide copies to the Secretariat for Members unable to attend.

Lisa Smith from SACL advised that no technical expertise involved with the production of the Preliminary Draft Master Plan accompanied her to this meeting. However, they will attend the next meeting to provide technical explanations.

SACL indicated the Preliminary Draft Master Plan will be advertised in the Sydney Morning Herald and next week in local papers. SACL highlighted that the Preliminary Draft Master Plan has generated extensive interest. The document is available at \$50.00 a copy, \$5.00 on compact disk or downloaded from the website free of charge. The public comment period of 90 days runs until 29 October 2003.

SACL will distribute the Preliminary Draft Master Plan on 1 August 2003 to local Sydney Councils and their Planning Departments. The public can access the document through their local public library or from the SACL website. If necessary, SACL will provide copies to other Sydney councils.

SACL indicated that the master plan was built on community values. The community panel highlighted the maintenance of the movement cap, curfew and noise sharing principles. Other issues highlighted were the Traffic Forecast Growth and Noise Sharing benefits. Panel recommendations are available on the SACL website.

Members raised the issue of the draft ANEF [Australian Noise Exposure Forecast] in particular discrepancies between it and the ANEI [Australian Noise Exposure Index]. The advice was that discrepancies can occur between different sets of data. The ANEF was based on the forecast data and the ANEI [Australian Noise Exposure Index] is based on 2001 traffic figures. Further concerns centred on noise insulation in that the ANEI is used for the determination of the boundaries for the noise amelioration programme. SACL advised that the *Airports Act 1996* determines its obligations for the provision of particular noise exposure forecasts. However, new ANEFs are required every five years as part of the master plan process.

SACL indicated that the preliminary draft plan includes N70s for the average day. The SACL website (www.sydneyairport.com) will contain more extensive information on noise.

Lisa Smith asked members to give consideration on how SACL wants to handle the process of the master plan and SACL's requirements for further discussion.

Members were given the opportunity to raise issues affecting their communities and to give consideration on the way SACL should address the preliminary draft master plan.

SACL Master Plan Meeting Action Item 2/01: Members to give consideration on how to proceed in its contribution to the master plan process.

Kurnell was raised as a particular issue given that it receives considerable aircraft movements.

Questions were raised about noise insulation which was not addressed expressly in the preliminary draft master plan. However, SACL advised that noise insulation was included as a Government initiative.

John Murphy MP raised the issue of targets not being achieved under the Long Term Operating Plan and what this means for the future for residents in his electorate. SACL reiterated its commitment to the LTOP principles highlighting that LTOP was included in the preliminary draft master plan.

Members raised the issue that noise affected suburbs are often outside the contours created under the ANEF. That is, the ANEF does not reflect the true picture of suburbs affected by noise. SACL advised that its website will contain more information on the typical days and worst days in order to give the extremes of aircraft movements that residents may expect. SACL indicated that they will provide members with this information.

SACL Master Plan Meeting Action Item 2/02: SACL to provide N70s to members showing aircraft movements on a typical day and worst case day in order to show the extremes of aircraft movements over different areas.

The curfew and cap were raised as an issue as they are only committed for five years and that over time increased aircraft traffic may necessitate changes. SACL pointed out that relevant Federal legislation sets the parameters on curfew and hourly movements. In addition, the 80 movement cap will accommodate any increased aircraft movements. The Preliminary Draft Master Plan is a 20 year plan. The master plan also factors in issues concerning changing technology with aircraft and aviation but can not foresee substantial changes for the master plan.

Members raised the issue of OLS [Obstacle Limitation Surface] and safety in that some areas outside the airport's boundaries are giving cause for concern. SACL acknowledged Members' concerns and indicated that they consult with relevant councils on potential impacts on aviation and safety. SACL indicated that there is a need to protect future airport operations and that it strongly objects to any penetration into the OLS

Senator Payne highlighted SACF's consideration of the OLS and the Department is to report back at the next meeting.

Mr McClelland raised the following issues

1. Freight Operations - what consideration has SACL given to freight aircraft operations during the curfew
2. Noise sharing flight paths – could maximise flights over water
3. Noise insulation – indicated that Kurnell should be insulated against noise

SACL advised that they were making use of SODPROPS and that they will be presenting options on these issues at the next SACF meeting.

SACF Master Plan Meeting Action Item 2/03: SACL to provide options at the next meeting on freight operations and noise sharing flight path to the south.

Bankstown issues were raised in that the residents living in the Canterbury area receive noise from both airports. Members were advised that an ANEF is not produced for Bankstown.

Senator Payne concurred that absent members would be sent a copy of the draft master plan.

SACF Master Plan Meeting Action Item 2/04: SACL to provide members unable to attend this briefing with a copy of the Preliminary Draft Master Plan

Senator Payne indicated that SACF must now give consideration to what it wants included in its submission on the master plan.

SACF Master Plan Meeting Action Item 2/05: SACF Members to raise issues that they want included in SACF's submission to SACL on the Preliminary Draft Master Plan.

Senator Payne thanked members for attending and emphasised the embargo on the master plan until midnight. She also indicated her displeasure that the media were informed about this meeting given that the meeting was for exclusive SACF briefing.

The meeting closed at 5pm.

Members of the Sydney Airport Community ForumAttendance

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| M Payne | Senator for NSW, Chair |
| W Bennett | Board of Airline Representatives in Australia |
| J Clarke | Community Representative for the Upper North Shore |
| M Coure | Representing Joe Hockey MP, Federal Member for North Sydney |
| S Holroyd | Rockdale Council |
| R McClelland | Federal Member for Barton |
| K McDonnell | Representing Cr P Blight, Mayor of Sutherland Shire Council |
| J Murphy | Federal Member for Lowe |
| T Mumford | Representing Bruce Baird MP, Federal Member for Cook |
| M Patrinos | Canterbury Residents Against Aircraft Noise |
| A Sellick | Representing Trevor Jensen, Qantas Airways |
| F Sinclair King | Representing the Wentworth Community |
| L Smith | Sydney Airport Corporations Ltd |

Apologies

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| V Badalati | Mayor of Hurstville Council |
| M Bonanno | Mayor of Ashfield Council |
| K Hill | Representative for the Kurnell Community |
| S Hoopmann | Representative for the Bennelong Community |
| J May | Mayor of Lane Cove |
| M Megna | Representative for the Inner West Community |
| S Nori MP | State Member for Port Jackson |
| A Roberts MLA | State Member for Lane Cove |

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Actions from the SACF meeting on 31 July 2003

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