



SYDNEY AIRPORT COMMUNITY FORUM

47th Meeting

Conference Room A
Commonwealth Parliamentary Office
Level 8, 70 Phillip Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Friday, 1 September 2006

SUMMARY RECORD

AGENDA ITEM 1: Opening Remarks and Adoption of Agenda

1.1 Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed Mike Ford from the Department who is taking over from Neil Williams, Helen McDevitt who is overseeing the SACF Secretariat function and Jane Smidmore as the Secretariat. The Chair also welcomed members and proxies to the meeting. Attachment A provides a list of attendees.

The Chair also thanked Neil Williams, Denis Savage and Margaret Ruffy for their valuable assistance and contribution to the Forum.

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

The Chair noted Mr Lingard's request for items to be placed on the agenda and advised they would be dealt with in the relevant agenda items.

The agenda was adopted.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Confirmation of Draft Summary Record

2.1 Draft Summary Records

Item 5.1.1 – Task Force 3

The Chair noted the detailed comments and changes put forward by Mr Hayes and Mr Lingard regarding the Task Force 3 discussion at the 46th meeting. Due to the detail and time constraints, the tape will be reviewed in more detail and a resolution on the final wording of the TF3 discussion will be sought at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 2.1, Action Item 47/01: Secretariat to review taped TF3 discussion and amend Summary Record as necessary. Amended Summary Record to be circulated to members prior to the next meeting.

Mr Williams requested that a copy of the actual TF3 presentation given by Mr Ludlow at the last meeting be circulated, as this was updated from the circulated notes [2006/042].

Agenda Item 2.1, Action Item 47/02: Secretariat to obtain and circulate updated TF3 presentation.

Item 4.1 – Report from SACL

My Hayes requested amendment to this summary, however there was some contention regarding comments made by Mr Gilmour during his presentation at the last meeting of developments and activities at the airport. It was agreed that the tape record on this issue be reviewed.

Agenda Item 2.1, Action Item 47/03: Secretariat to review the taped SACL presentation and amend Summary Record as necessary.



LTOP Review

Mr Hayes felt that the Summary Record did not adequately reflect his comments from the meeting regarding the misrepresentation of LTOP targets as community expectation rather than actual targets.

Agenda Item 2.1, Action Item 47/04: Secretariat to review the tape record and amend Summary Record as necessary.

The Chair noted that the Summary Record is not meant to be a verbatim or transcript record. It was noted that if members wished the Summary Record to include specific detail of technical points or discussions of presentations to be recorded in the Summary Record, this must be requested prior to the meeting.

Confirmation of the amended Draft Summary Record of the 46th meeting will be held over until next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Matters Arising and/or Outstanding from Previous Meeting

3.1 Correspondence

The Chair's letter of 20 July 2006 to the Minister about the outcomes of the 46th meeting and his response of 23 August 2006 were noted.

Mr Gilmour expressed a view that some correspondence forwarded to the Minister from SACF may give the impression that all members have a uniform view on a certain issue. The Chair noted this concern with respect to future correspondence.

3.2 Actions Arising from the 46th SACF Meeting 9 June 2006

Action items from the 46th meeting to be reported on and discussed under relevant agenda items.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd

4.1 Report from Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd (SACL)

The Secretariat provided members with a copy of the presentation made by SACL at the 46th meeting on 26 July 2006 [Action Item 46/01].

Major Development Plan

Mr Gilmour noted a statement dated 28 July 2006 was circulated to members noting that following the 90 day public comment period SACL has submitted its revised Major Development Plan to the Minister for his consideration.

Security

Mr Gilmour wished members to note that a recent newspaper article suggesting security had been compromised because of amended security arrangements to enable refurbishment of a hangar is not accurate. Mr Gilmour stressed that at no time was there a risk of unauthorised access to the tarmac.



London Security Incident

Mr Gilmour noted that the impact to Sydney Airport operations following the incident in London was minimal. Airline and airport staff handled the situation well and there were minimal delays as a result.

Runway Works

The runway upgrade to accommodate A380 aircraft has been finished. Resheeting works on runway 16L/34R will commence on 30 October 2006 for approximately 5 weeks. The runway will be unavailable from last light (around 8pm) to 6am every night except if required as a result of very poor weather conditions.

Water Recycling

Mr Gilmour noted that the State Government had recently announced that SACL has been offered a grant of up to \$3m for the development of infrastructure to distribute recycled water in the International Precinct of the airport. SACL proposes to construct a sewage recycling plant and is prepared to commit up to a further \$3.5m to the project.

4.2 Consultation Guidelines

The Chair noted that SACL and the Member for Lowe had provided comments on the guidelines to the Department. Mr Lingard requested the option to refer the guidelines to the Ashfield Council for their comment. The Chair reminded members that comments on the guidelines must be provided directly to the Department. The Department noted that the guidelines were due to be forwarded to the Minister shortly and requested that any additional comments be provided to the Department as soon as possible.

AGENDA ITEM 5: LTOP IMC, Review of LTOP and other Airservices Issues

5.1 Implementation and Monitoring Committee

The Secretariat provided details of the 1800 number to members on 19 June 2006 [Action Item 46/02] and circulated a copy of the TF2 Report on 27 June 2006 [Action Item 46/03].

Mr Clarke reported on progress and outcomes from the IMC meetings held on 13 June and 29 August:

- Noise complaint monitoring of the re-introduced 1800 number showed no discernible increase in complaints. There appears to be one complainant lodging a large number of complaints via the web using a fictitious name and contact number and IMC will continue to discuss how these complaints are reported;
- Movements to the North were significantly over target in June/July compared to this time last year, the East also above and the West under target. Airservices Australia note there have been unusual weather conditions affecting operations;
- Airservices provided a written report on the implementation of the LTOP Review recommendations [Action Item 46/06]. The report will be revised to include the recommendations in the text and be circulated for discussion at the next SACF meeting.
- Some discussion was held with TF3 members prior to the IMC meeting on 29 August [Action Item 46/04] however IMC felt that the Summary Record from the last SACF meeting needs to clarify what was requested of IMC in relation to the communication strategy. IMC



agreed a draft TF3 communication strategy for SACF consideration [Action Item 46/05]. Mr Clarke outlined the proposed strategy which was amended as per the resolution below.

Key issues arising from discussions:

- Members agreed that the TF3 alternatives are interim alternatives until such time as technology is available to implement the Trident and High and Wide flight paths. TF3 recommendations are not intended as a substitute or move away from the full implementation of LTOP. The TF3 recommendations represent an opportunity to explore alternatives that in the interim may provide some benefit to the community.
- Two technologies are required for LTOP: ground based GBAS; and sequencing. While trials of GBAS technology are underway it could be 12-18 months before trials are complete.
- Continuing failure to meet the LTOP noise-sharing targets - the Chair noted that members interested in issues such as TF3 or ongoing monitoring of LTOP were free to attend IMC meetings on request and/or provide their views to the appropriate representatives on SACF or IMC sub-committees.
- Airline industry representative (Mr Warfield) noted that benefits to industry from TF3 alternatives are negligible.
- IMC Minutes will be circulated to SACF members when available.

Resolution

In relation to the progression of TF3 recommendations, the following resolution was agreed by SACF:

SACF reaffirms its commitment to the Long Term Operating Plan and notes that this resolution does not represent an endorsement of the TF3 proposal at this stage.

SACF endorses a two stage decision process on whether the TF3 trial is to proceed:

Stage 1 – In principle support, before which SACF will receive Noise and Flight Path Monitoring System (NFPMS) style flight diagrams showing the ‘as is’ and the TF3 proposed flight paths and heights to enable a decision on the potential benefits or detriments of TF3 compared to existing flight paths;

Subject to the agreement of SACF at the conclusion of Stage 1;

Stage 2 – Support to proceed with the trial, before which SACF will receive modelling and other information on aircraft noise impacts sufficient to allow an informed decision and support communication to the public.

5.2 New Technologies Working Group

No issues were raised.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Noise Insulation

6.1 Noise Amelioration Programme

6.1.1 Progress Report

Members noted the Noise Amelioration Programme Progress Report [SACF 2006/050].



Members noted the Chair's letter of 19 June 2006 [SACF Corr 2006/13] to the Minister regarding the Sydney Airport Noise Amelioration Programme and Kurnell issues [Action Item 46/07] and noted that a response has not yet been received. The Chair requested the response be circulated as soon as it is received.

Agenda Item 6.1.1, Action Item 47/05: Secretariat to circulate the Minister's response to the Chair's letter of 19 June [SACF Corr 2006/13] as soon as it is received.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Noise Monitoring

A specific issue regarding noise monitoring at Chandos Street Ashfield will be dealt with at Agenda Item 10 – Other Business.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Standing Operational Reports

8.1 Standing Reports

Members noted the standing operational and curfew reports.

8.2 Curfew

8.2.1 Summary and Curfew Dispensation Reports

Mr Gilmour inquired whether future curfew reports could include data relating to breaches of curfew regulations in Sydney.

Agenda Item 8.2.1, Action Item 47/06: Department to explore the inclusion of data on breaches of curfew regulations in standing reports.

8.2.4 Rejected Curfew Requests

Members noted the Department's report outlining the approval of curfew dispensations and a sample of those that were rejected [Action Item 46/08]. The Chair asked that, in the absence of Mr Hill, this item be listed on the agenda for further discussion at the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9: SACF Correspondence and Community Issues

9.1 SACF Correspondence

Members noted the correspondence.

9.2 Community Issues

Aviation Community Advocate

The Chair noted that she and Mr Clarke had agreed the Terms of Reference and the procurement process with the Minister. The Department noted that the Advocate will be contracted through an



open tender process. The Tender Evaluation Panel will be Chaired by Mr Ford and will include a SACF member.

The Chair noted that the Forum is keen to proceed and look forward to seeing the position advertised on AusTender and in the Sydney Morning Herald as soon as possible. Mr Ford noted that there is a need to adhere to the Commonwealth's procurement guidelines and that he would be happy to discuss these issues with interested members.

Agenda Item 9.2, Action Item 47/07: Department to advertise the Community Advocate tender as soon as possible.

The Chair indicated that members should begin to think about the types of activities or projects they wished the Advocate to pursue. The Chair requested they be brought to the Forum through her and that a standing item be created on the Agenda to discuss and report on those activities.

9.3 Summary of Community Submissions

The Chair noted the report was not available due to technical problems but would be circulated as a separate document when available. Ms McDevitt clarified that the problem related to the SACF "have your say" 1800 number administered by the Department and not Airservices Australia's Noise Enquiry Unit freecall number.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Other Business

Noise Monitoring

Mr Lingard raised issues regarding noise monitoring at a site at Chandos Street Ashfield. It was noted that Airservices Australia installed a monitor at an alternative location near to the one suggested by Mr Lingard as the latter was not suitable.

The Chair indicated that specific noise monitoring issues should continue to be discussed at IMC and reported to the Forum through the IMC representatives.

Mr Ford noted that the proxy representing the Bennelong community had tabled an issue raised by a Bennelong constituent, Mr Ladomatos, and noted that this would be addressed promptly by the Department. .

AGENDA ITEM 11: Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 24 November 2006.

Actions from the 47th SACF meeting 1 September 2006

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ATTENDANCE**Members**

M	Payne	Senator for NSW, Chair
J	Clarke	Representing Upper North Shore Community
R	Gilmour	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited
B	Hayes	Proxy for the Hon Joe Hockey MP, Member for North Sydney
B	Forrest	Proxy for Kevin Hill Representing the Kurnell Community
S	Kursar	Proxy for Sue Hoopmann representing the Bennelong Community
J	Murphy MP	Federal Member for Lowe
P	Lingard	Proxy representing Cr Rae Jones Mayor of Ashfield Council
K	Freedman	Proxy for Mayor, Lane Cove Council
M	Patrinos	Canterbury Residents Against Aircraft Noise (CRAAN)
S	Frame	Proxy for Anthony Roberts MLA, State Member for Lane Cove
J	Aston	Proxy for the Hon Bruce Baird, Member for Cook
T	Williams	Representing Cr Fiona Sinclair King, Wentworth Community
P	Sansom	Proxy for Cr Vince Badalati
M	Warfield	Qantas

Advisers/Secretariat

M	Ford	Dept of Transport and Regional Services
H	McDevitt	Dept of Transport and Regional Services
J	Smidmore	Dept of Transport and Regional Services
R	Dudley	Airservices Australia
D	Spinks	Airservices Australia
P	Carroll	Airservices Australia
K	Allcott	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited
A	Sellick	Airline representative
H	Knox	Overnight Aircraft Operators Association

Observers

J	Jones	Office of Clover Moore MP
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