

# SUMMARY RECORD

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**SACF Meeting 2/2013**

**24 May 2013**

**AGENDA ITEM 1      Opening Remarks and Adoption of Agenda**

The Agenda was adopted without change.

**AGENDA ITEM 2      Confirmation of Draft Summary Record of Meeting 1/2013**

**2.1      *Incorporation of suggested changes***

The draft summary record was confirmed with the suggested changes.

**2.2      *Action Items arising from last meeting***

It was noted that the Action Items had been addressed.

**AGENDA ITEM 3      *A Study of Wilton and RAAF Base Richmond for civil aviation operations*  
Presentation - Ms Tong, Department**

Ms Tong from the Sydney Aviation Capacity team within the Department of Infrastructure and Transport gave a presentation on the scoping study, *A Study of Wilton and RAAF Base Richmond for civil aviation operations*. This study was released on 10 May 2013 and is available at: <http://www.infrastructure.gov.au/aviation/scopingstudy/index.aspx>

This study considered the case for developing a greenfield airport at Wilton including an analysis of environmental and engineering factors, projected demand and socio-economic and employment benefits. It found that there were considerable environmental and engineering challenges in constructing an airport at Wilton. It would require large scale investment, with development staged over time as demand grows. However it would also bring significant economic and community benefits. The study found that Richmond RAAF base could support limited civil operations by 2017 that could benefit local residents but would not meet Sydney's long-term needs. The next steps include some further detail on the geotechnical analysis of the Wilton site and working with the Department of Defence and the RAAF to develop a proposal for limited civil operations at Richmond.

Some members put the view that the study confirms Badgerys Creek as the only rational site for the second Sydney airport and suggested that governments should get on with building it. An alternative view was that Badgerys Creek does not have political support and the Wilton site should be developed.

**Action 01/02    Secretariat to circulate the presentation to members.**

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4      Aircraft Noise Ombudsman – Aircraft Noise Disclosure**

The Aircraft Noise Ombudsman, Mr Ron Brent, gave a presentation on the Australian Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF) and how it is calculated. He noted that the ANEF is a composite noise index which estimates the noise based on a number of factors including the number of aircraft movements, the flight path used, the type of aircraft and the time of day. The formula for calculating the ANEF includes a logarithmic scale, which means that it is not particularly sensitive to change once the number of noise events becomes large. However the noise level of a particular aircraft type is a constant in the formula, so the ANEF is quite sensitive to the effect of quieter aircraft. This is apparent in the shrinking contour of the Sydney Airport ANEF 2033 which used noise level data for A380 aircraft to replace noise level data for Boeing 747 aircraft. Noise level data for A380 aircraft wasn't available when the ANEF 2029 was calculated.

Mr Brent suggested that when plotting noise contours like ANEFs and N70s etc., consideration should be given to using shaded zones rather than solid lines, to avoid giving the impression that noise somehow stops at the boundary line.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5      Sydney Airport Report – Sydney Airport Corporation Limited (SACL)**

##### **5.1      *Update on Preliminary Draft Master Plan 2013-2033***

##### **5.2      *Sydney Airport Report***

Mr Ted Plummer presented an update on the development of the Preliminary Draft Master Plan (PDMP) for Sydney Airport, noting that the PDMP is expected to be released for public consultation in June 2013, and that a copy will be provided to the Secretariat for circulation to members.

#### **Action 02/02    Secretariat to circulate the PDMP to members on receipt from SACL.**

It was agreed that a meeting of the Forum will be held on 12 July 2013 to consider the PDMP.

#### **Action 03/02    The Chair to write to the Minister to request funding for technical advice to assist the Forum to prepare a response to the PDMP.**

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6      Implementation and Monitoring Committee (IMC) Report – Mr Hill**

Mr Hill reported that IMC had met on 9 April 2013 and 21 May 2013. Noise sensitive flight paths over the Royal National Park had been implemented for early morning flights before 5.45 am. The IMC Study of Movements by Mode provides some insight into changes in mode use over time. Airservices Short Term Noise Monitoring program is continuing, with monitors being placed in North Ryde, Haberfield, Darlington and Cronulla during May. Construction at Sydney Airport has caused low rates of use for Runway 25.

#### **Action 04/02    The Chair to write to the Minister to request that the ability for the Airport to continue to operate LTOP noise sharing modes be protected.**

**AGENDA ITEM 7      LTOP - Implementation Progress – Airservices**

Ms Keenan reported that the upgrade of the Instrument Landing System (ILS) for runway 16R had resulted in extended peak operating hours and a reduction in noise sharing on a number of bad weather days during March. Ms Keenan advised that a reduction in the movement cap would have the same effect, especially in the morning.

She noted that percentage traffic levels for north and west in January, February and March are typically higher than they are during winter months (July, August, September); and the percentage of traffic in the north and the west has been similar during these months for the years 2011-2013.

**AGENDA ITEM 8      Department of Infrastructure and Transport Reports - Mr Stone*****Agenda Item 8.1      Update on Review of AS 2021: Acoustics - Aircraft noise intrusion - building siting and construction***

Mr Stone reported on progress with the Department's proposal for a review of AS 2021, a standard which underpins state regulatory provisions around how aircraft noise should be incorporated into land use planning. The Department will advise once a decision has been reached by Standards Australia on whether to proceed with a review.

**Action 05/02    The Chair to write to the NSW Local Government Association supporting a review of AS2021, noting that the Australian Local Government Association opposed it.**

***Agenda Item 8.2      Curfew Dispensation Report***

This report was noted

***Agenda item 8.3      SACF Correspondence***

This report was noted.

**Action 06/02    The Chair to write back to the NSW Premier noting that his stance on the curfew and the movement cap would put more flights over Sydney residents and suggesting that he reconsider his position.**

***8.4                  SACF Phone line***

This report was noted

**Other Business**

The Chair acknowledged the contribution of Mr Warren Bennett, outgoing Executive Director of the Board of Airline Representatives of Australia



**AGENDA ITEM 9      Date of next Meeting**

It was agreed to hold a Special Meeting of SACF on Friday 12 July 2013 to consider the Sydney Airport PDMP.

It was also agreed to hold a further SACF meeting on Friday 2 August 2013.



**ATTENDANCE**

**Members**

P.	Fitzgerald	Chair
J.	Bihary	Representing the Member for Bennelong
W.	Bennett	Board of Airline Representatives Australia
T.	Bowen	Representing the Member for Heffron
L.	Caulfield	Representing the Member for Marrickville
J.	Clarke	Representing the Member for Bradfield
D.	Cobley-Finch	Representing the Member for Sydney
R.	Edney	Australian Airline Industry
L.	Sierakowski	Representing the Member for North Sydney
K.	Hill	Community Representative for the South
S.	Lowe	Representing the Member for Marrickville
S.	McArdle	Representing the Member for Kingsford-Smith
J.	Murphy MP	Member for Reid
J.	Patterson	Representing the Mayor of the City of Botany Bay
T.	Plummer	Representing the Sydney Airport Corporation Limited
K.	Schreiber	Representing the Sutherland Shire
K.	Welsh	Representing the Mayor of Leichhardt
J.	Woods	Representing the Member for Cook

**Department of Infrastructure and Transport**

S.	Stone	General Manager, Aviation Environment
J.	Collis	Aviation Environment Policy Section, SACF Secretariat
A.	Sutherland	Airports Branch
A.	Tong	Sydney Aviation Capacity Team

**Airservices Australia**

P.	Carroll	Sydney Operations Manager
E.	Keenan	Manager, Community Relations

### **Sydney Airport Corporation Limited**

K.	Alcott	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited
T.	Ong	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited
T.	Plummer	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited

### **Aircraft Noise Ombudsman**

T.	Abberton	Office of the Aircraft Noise Ombudsman
R.	Brent	Aircraft Noise Ombudsman

### **Observers**

S.	Agagiotis	Randwick City Council
K.	Alcott	Sydney Airport
I	Koernicke	Sutherland Shire Council
G.	Little	Epping resident
E.	Pearson	Office of the Member for Cook
J.	Stewart	Transport and Tourism Forum
T.	Williams	Vaucluse resident

### **Apologies**

B.	Keneally	Mayor of Botany Bay
M.	Patrinos	Community Representative
B.	Robson	Mayor of Canterbury
M.	Wangmann	Deputy Mayor of Ashfield