

## Forum On Western Sydney Airport

### Record of Meeting 2 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Tuesday 29 August 2017 Hercules Room, Rydges Sydney Airport Chair: Professor Peter Shergold AC

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| 1.   | Welcome from the Chair – agreement of Record of Meeting 1 and confirmation of Meeting 2 agenda. | <p>The Chair, Professor Peter Shergold AC, welcomed members to the second meeting of FOWSA and acknowledged apologies received (at Appendix B of this meeting record). He introduced members who were not able to be present at the inaugural meeting and gave them the opportunity to share their interest in the airport project and the outcomes they were seeking through their membership on FOWSA.</p> <p>The Chair asked members to confirm if the process for finalising the meeting record, allowing seven days for any member comments prior to publishing the record on the project's dedicated website, would be acceptable. All members present agreed this was acceptable.</p> <p>Members were advised that there were no outstanding action items from meeting 1 (refer to Appendix A of this meeting record). The Chair confirmed the agenda for meeting 2 with members, including details of the Sydney Airport and Air Traffic Control Tower visits. Professor Shergold expressed his appreciation, on behalf of members, for the support of Sydney Airport and Airservices Australia in arranging site visits that would provide important context on the operations of a major Australian airport.</p> <p>The Chair also acknowledged the offer made by Qantas for members to visit their heavy engineering base and noted he would keep this opportunity in mind for any future meetings held near Sydney Airport.</p> |              |
| 2.   | Draft FOWSA Communications Strategy   | The Chair expressed his views on the importance of FOWSA having strategies in place to engage with the community and receive feedback on the planning and development of the airport. Members were encouraged to put forward ideas for  |              |

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|      |             | <p>the Department to look at for further development of a communications strategy for FOWSA.</p> <p>Kim Forbes from the Department presented to members on communications channels currently used by the Department and other ideas that could form part of a strategy for FOWSA for engaging with the community. Ms Forbes noted that communication methods would need to be tailored as development of Western Sydney Airport progresses through multi-phase construction and flight path design processes over several years. For example, Phase 1 communications would need to take account of enabling works commencing for the airport's construction and the planning phase for the airspace design process.</p> <p>To understand the most effective ways to reach out to the community and inform the direction of FOWSA's initial strategy, Ms Forbes talked through recent findings on community attitudes to the airport project from independent evaluative research commissioned by the Department. This was the seventh set of research findings for the Department since November 2014 and was due to be made available at the project's dedicated website (<a href="http://westernsydneyairport.gov.au">westernsydneyairport.gov.au</a>).</p> <p>Findings covered in the presentation handed out to members included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Department conducted its latest research in May/June 2017 with a sample size of 1,244 residents of Western Sydney, which included online and telephone surveys;</li> <li>• the survey was split into four regions, North West, South West, Inner West and West Central, and regions were sampled in close proportion to their adult resident population;</li> <li>• that those in favour of Western Sydney Airport at Badgerys Creek had increased to 67 per cent;</li> <li>• 60 per cent of those interviewed agreed the positive benefits outweighed the negative impacts, and a further 79 per cent agreed the airport would bring jobs to the Western Sydney region;</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FOWSA Secretariat to distribute the latest Western Sydney Airport community update newsletter to members that have requested copies.</li> <li>2. FOWSA Secretariat to include an item in the Meeting 3 agenda on finalising FOWSA's communications strategy, including options for FOWSA engagement with the broader community in 2018.</li> </ol> |

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|      |             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• media coverage, in the form of television, radio, newspapers and online media was the most preferred channel. A dedicated website about the airport was the next most preferred and direct mail was in the top five preferred channels of communication; and</li> <li>• blog posts and online forums were the least preferred communication channel.</li> </ul> <p>Ms Forbes noted the Department was already utilising many of the communication channels that rated highly with those surveyed and that FOWSA could use these channels as a basis for generating two-way engagement with the community.</p> <p>Members received an update from Ms Forbes on progress of the Department's communication activities, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there were now over 1,800 subscriptions for website updates;</li> <li>• planning was underway for more community pop up events between September and the end of the year; and</li> <li>• the next community update newsletter would be going out to 40,000 homes in the area around the airport site, up from the current distribution to 10,000 homes;</li> </ul> <p>FOWSA members expressed general interest in the Department making available hard copies of the newsletter at the request of members. The Chair asked the Department to provide copies of the latest community update newsletter at the request of members.</p> <p>Members agreed on the importance of FOWSA engaging directly with the community, as an additional way to get the public involved.</p> <p>The Chair asked the Department to provide at the next meeting options for how FOWSA might engage the community in 2018.</p> |              |

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| 3.   | Introduction to airspace design process including ESG update. | <p>Michael Gregory from the Department provided members with an understanding of the airspace design process conditioned for single runway operations and preliminary planning work underway by the Department and the Aviation Expert Steering Group (ESG) to develop a detailed program for how these requirements will be implemented and consulted on with FOWSA, the aviation industry and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Mr Gregory outlined in the presentation handed out to members, the requirements of Airport Plan Condition 16, which included the need to take account of the <i>Future airspace design principles</i> and have regard to the multi-year phases, activities and outputs shown in Table 10 of the Airport Plan. Evidence of how this condition has been addressed will form part of a future referral of a preferred airspace design concept to the Environment Minister under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>.</p> <p>Members were advised the ESG had met twice, on 31 May and 2 August 2017 and that Professor Shergold has an ex-officio role at ESG and had attended the second meeting. The airport operator, WSA Co, will be invited to join FOWSA and the ESG following the grant of an airport lease expected in the first half of 2018. Mr Gregory noted the ESG Terms of Reference would be made available on the project's dedicated website.</p> <p>With the support of specialist consultants, To70 Aviation, the ESG has commenced development of a Statement of Works and Work Program to detail the relevant technical work needed, consultation activities and associated timeframes for the different phases of the airspace design process. The Department will update FOWSA on progress of this preliminary planning work at its third meeting in November 2017.</p> <p>In response to members' questions, Garth Taylor from the Department advised that Australian Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF) contour maps developed for the 1985 Environmental Impact Statement for a second Sydney Airport had underpinned a section 117 direction under NSW planning legislation that largely</p> | 3. FOWSA Secretariat to include an item in the Meeting 3 agenda that presents on aircraft overflight noise measurements, especially the ANEF system, in the context of land use planning for Western Sydney Airport. |

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|      |   | <p>prevented incompatible development from occurring around the airport site for the past three decades. However, final aircraft noise forecasts can only be produced once flight paths have been determined through the airspace design process. Mr Taylor also advised that the Department was working closely with the New South Wales (NSW) Government on appropriate land use planning for Western Sydney Airport.</p> <p>The Chair asked the Department to present at the next meeting on the Australian Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF) system, how it measures noise and the steps required for determining final noise exposure forecasts before operations commence at Western Sydney Airport. This would assist members to understand noise, land use planning, and communicate this important information to their communities and stakeholders.</p>   |              |
| 4.   | Airservices overview and site visit pre-briefing. | <p>Roger Chambers from Airservices Australia provided members with a general briefing on the role of Airservices and the operations involved in managing air traffic from departures to arrivals, which included particular reference to Sydney Airport's day-to-day operations.</p> <p>Mr Chambers briefed members on the scale of Airservices' operations, which comprises of domestic and international air traffic for over 154 million passengers on more than four million flights each year in a region covering 11 per cent of the world's surface. Australian Government priorities for Airservices are the provision of services and facilities for the safety, regularity or efficiency of air navigation, and promoting and fostering civil aviation.</p> <p>Mr Chambers explained that Airservices also has environmental responsibilities and must perform their function in a manner that ensures that, as far as is practicable, the environment is protected from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the effects of the operation and use of aircraft; and</li> <li>• the effects associated with the operation and use of aircraft.</li> </ul> |              |

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| 5.   | Sydney Airport site visits                    | Members participated in site visits of Sydney Airport's airside facilities and operations, including Air Traffic Control Tower operations managed by Airservices Australia.  |  |
| 6.   | Western Sydney Airport general project update | <p>The Chair welcomed the Department's Executive Director of the Western Sydney Unit, Mr Brendan McRandle, who provided a Western Sydney Airport general project update. Discussions based on the presentation handed out to members elicited the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WSA Co was incorporated on 7 August 2017, with the announcement of Mr Paul O'Sullivan as Chair of the Board, and initial directors Mrs Fiona Balfour, Mr Tim Eddy and Ms Christine Spring;</li> <li>• the company will be the responsible entity for the airport's design and construction, however, the Department will continue its regulatory oversight of the project, and be responsible for several Airport Plan conditions including the airspace design process for single runway operations;</li> <li>• WSA Co's early priorities will be to recruit its CEO and senior management and to commence procurement of construction activities;</li> <li>• an industry briefing facilitated by the Department in Penrith on 26 June was attended by 500 representatives, with information shared about tendering opportunities for enabling activities and major airport works for the airport project;</li> <li>• the Department has commenced work on several mandatory Airport Plan conditions it is responsible for since the beginning of this year; many of which involve preparatory activities for the site, while others are requirements prior to the commencement of any Main Construction Works;</li> <li>• progress on Airport Plan conditions includes work for: the relocation of cemeteries and the TransGrid electricity line; groundwater monitoring; archival recording of European heritage structures prior to demolition; fuel</li> </ul> | 4. FOWSA Secretariat to confirm the availability of WSA Co Chair, Mr Paul O'Sullivan, to brief members at an upcoming meeting. |

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|      |              | <p>supply options for a report to be prepared by the end of this year; developing a Biodiversity Offset Delivery Plan; and procuring an experienced heritage conservation service provider for Aboriginal cultural heritage and related consultation and engagement services to address these aspects of the Airport Plan conditions;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Australian and NSW governments are finalising the Rail joint Scoping Study, with a report on outcomes expected to be released towards the end of this year. Separate to the Scoping Study, the Australian Government is also working to develop a Rail Feasibility Design of rail options for the airport site; and</li> <li>• the Department would be moving to declare the Obstacle Limitation Surface (OLS) as protected airspace for WSA, but would first be re-engaging with all relevant stakeholders, including state and local government, before the declaration is made.</li> </ul>            |              |
| 7.   | Next meeting | <p>Based on action items taken during the meeting and drawing from issues raised at the inaugural FOWSA, the Chair noted Meeting 3 to be held on Tuesday 21 November 2017 would plan to cover the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalisation of a FOWSA communications strategy with options for direct community engagement in 2018;</li> <li>• An Aviation ESG update, especially progress of preliminary planning work to inform requirements for the airspace design process;</li> <li>• A presentation on aircraft overflight noise measurements, especially the ANEF (Australian Noise Exposure Forecast) system, in the context of land use planning for Western Sydney Airport;</li> <li>• An presentation on the Department’s implementation of biodiversity related Airport Plan conditions;</li> <li>• Western Sydney Airport employment report; and</li> <li>• If available, a briefing to members from WSA Co Chair Mr Paul O’Sullivan.</li> </ul> |              |

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| 8.   | Other business – scheduling for Meetings 4 and 5 | <p>The Chair discussed with members scheduling for Meetings 4 and 5 of FOWSA in late March and late June 2018, with Wednesdays and Thursdays as preferred days.</p> <p>It was resolved that the Department would email members with potential meeting dates, and these timeframes would be confirmed later in the year once parliamentary sitting calendars are available for NSW and Commonwealth Members of Parliament.</p> | 5. FOWSA Secretariat is to confirm the availability of members for the dates proposed as options for Meeting 4 and 5 of FOWSA in 2018. |

Status of Action ItemsMeeting 1, 26 May 2017

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| 1                  | FOWSA Secretariat to distribute the link for Western Sydney Airport Community Update newsletters to members.    | Completed. |
| 2                  | FOWSA Secretariat to include an item in the Meeting 2 agenda for discussing FOWSA's communications strategy.    | Completed. |
| 3                  | FOWSA Secretariat to distribute member email addresses and biographies to members.                              | Completed. |
| 4                  | FOWSA Secretariat to distribute meeting papers to members electronically at least one week in advance of FOWSA. | Completed. |

Meeting 2, 29 August 2017

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| 2                  | FOWSA Secretariat to include an item in the Meeting 3 agenda on finalising FOWSA's communications strategy, including options for FOWSA engagement with the broader community in 2018.                            | To be completed. |
| 3                  | FOWSA Secretariat to include an item in the Meeting 3 agenda that presents on aircraft overflight noise measurements, especially the ANEF system, in the context of land use planning for Western Sydney Airport. | To be completed. |
| 4                  | FOWSA Secretariat to confirm the availability of WSA Co Chair, Mr Paul O'Sullivan, to brief members at an upcoming meeting.   | To be completed. |
| 5                  | FOWSA Secretariat is to confirm the availability of members for the dates proposed as options for Meeting 4 and 5 of FOWSA in 2018.   | Completed.       |

Attendees

Professor Peter Shergold AC (Chair) – Chancellor, Western Sydney University

Dr Mike Freelander MP – Federal Member for Macarthur

Ms Anne Stanley MP – Federal Member for Werriwa

Mr Michael Creed – as the proxy for Senator the Hon Marise Payne

Ms Alison Morgan – Director, Sydney Region, New South Wales Department of Premier and Cabinet

Cr John Thain – Mayor, Penrith City Council

Ms Kiersten Fishburn – CEO, Liverpool City Council

Ms Fiona Mann – Strategic Activities Planner, Hawkesbury City Council

Mr Paul Tosi – former General Manager, Campbelltown City Council

Ms Joanne Bromilow – Resident of Blaxland

Mr Jacob Idiculas – Resident of Bossley Park

Mr Wayne Willmington – Resident of Luddenham

Mr Gordon Henwood – Resident of Mulgoa

Mr Christopher Patterson MP – New South Wales State Member for Camden

Ms Lee de Winton – CEO, Sydney Metro Airports Bankstown and Camden

Apologies

Senator the Hon Marise Payne – Senator for New South Wales (attendance by proxy)

Mr Luke Nicholls – Director, City and Community Outcomes, Blue Mountains City Council

Ms Adriana Care – Resident of Camden-Narellan

Mr Damian Callachor – Senior Manager, Government Industry and International Affairs, Qantas

Mr Mike Higgins – CEO, Regional Aviation Association of Australia

Mr Bob Germaine – Executive Officer, Regional Development Australia Sydney

Mr David Borger – Western Sydney Director, Sydney Business Chamber

Mr John Walton – Resident of Silverdale

Mr Adrian Sloopjes – Manager, Air Traffic Management and Meteorology, Virgin Australia