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Dear Rizal,

Mana Whenua Representation on the ANCCG

Condition 9(a) of Designation 1100 in the Auckland Unitary Plan, which establishes the Aircraft Noise Community Consultative Group (ANCCG), provides for there to be two Mana Whenua representatives on the ANCCG.

Currently one of these positions is filled by Karen Wilson, Chair of Te Ākitai Waiohū Iwi Authority. The other was previously filled by Kowhai Olsen, Kaitiaki of Te Ahiwaru, and is currently vacant.

Neither Te Ākitai Waiohū Iwi Authority or Te Ahiwaru regularly attend the ANCCG meetings. This is in part due to other time commitments but also because the meeting is not centered on the needs of Mana Whenua or its core relationships with Auckland Airport, which is far wider than just aircraft noise.

Auckland Airport strongly values its relationships with local Mana Whenua and has regular engagement and dialogue with both Te Ākitai Waiohū Iwi Authority and Te Ahiwaru at a number of levels within the organization, including regular governance and kaitiaki meetings. Most relevant to noise issues would be the monthly kaitiaki meetings between both Mana Whenua groups and Matthew Dugmore, Auckland Airport's Statutory Planner.

Auckland Airport has discussed with both Te Ākitai Waiohū Iwi Authority and Te Ahiwaru their membership on the ANCCG and the idea that Airport's engagement with Mana Whenua on aircraft noise issues occur in the first instance at these monthly kaitiaki forums. It is proposed that the kaitiaki meetings scheduled one month prior to a quarterly ANCCG meeting will include an agenda item to discuss aircraft noise concerns. Auckland Airport will also provide relevant quarterly meeting documents (such as Matters Arising etc) at the meeting and seek Mana Whenua feedback and perspectives on these. Any concerns raised, feedback or further information provided by Mana Whenua at these meetings will be passed onto to the ANCCG at the quarterly meeting. Both Te Ākitai Waiohū Iwi Authority and Te Ahiwaru would remain members of the ANCCG, continue to receive all materials and be able to attend ANCCG meetings at any point.

This solution would ensure that the Airport is regularly hearing and thus able to reflect Mana Whenua perspectives and concerns in relation to aircraft noise matters, while at the same time, acknowledge and take into account Mana Whenua feedback that attending ANCCG meetings is not a matter Iwi always have capacity for.

This idea is endorsed by the independent Chair of the ANCCG who has been concerned at the lack of representation at the ANCCG of Mana Whenua perspectives.



Both Te Ākitai Waiohūa Iwi Authority and Te Ahiwaru support this proposal. The wider ANCCG membership is also comfortable with it.

Yours sincerely,

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