

Minutes

Subject:	Aircraft Noise Community Consultative Group Meeting	
Location:	Pohutukawa Room	Date: 14 September 2016 2:00 p.m.
Present:	David Shand	Independent Chair
	Tim Boyle	Airways Corporation
	Simon Lambourne	Auckland Airport
	Andrew Gordon	Auckland Council
	Councillor Alf Filipaina	Auckland Council
	Darryl Thompson	Auckland Council
	Eric Morgan	BARNZ
	John Becket	BARNZ
	Malcolm Bell	Franklin Local Board
	David Collings	Howick Local Board
	Tafafuna'I Tasi Lauese	Mangere - Otahuhu Local Board
	David Holm	Puketapapa Local Board
In attendance:	Michelle Hancock	Auckland Airport
	Kellie Roland	Auckland Airport
	Sean Xiao	Auckland Airport
Apologies:	Judy Nicholl	Auckland Airport
	Garth Wyllie	Employers & Manufacturer Association
	Alan Cole	Franklin Local Board
	Garry Boles	Howick Local Board
	Simon Randall	Maungakiekie - Tamaki Local Board
	Daryl Wrightson	Manurewa Local Board
	Michael Bailey	Manurewa Local Board
	Donna Lee	Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board
	John McCracken	Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board

1. Apologies / Introductions:

2. Minutes of previous meeting:

- The draft minutes need to be amended to remove the reference to non-attendance by the Franklin Local Board as this is incorrect.
- Subject to this amendment, the minutes were approved.

3. Matters Arising:

- The Group requested that a simplified version of the presentation by Marshall Day in the previous meeting be circulated. It was further suggested that a presentation on measuring aircraft noise be made at the next meeting, particularly given that there may be new members following the local body elections.
- The Chair noted that he had also requested a copy of the Marshall Day presentation. Auckland Airport resolved to provide this presentation to the Chair as soon as practicable.

4. Community Feedback:

- Malcolm Bell reported that residents from Sandstone Road, Whitford had commented on noise from A380s flying above them. The Chair recommended that residents' record more specific information such as the time and date and lodge any complaints in the airport's online noise management system.
- The Group noted the number of complaints received from the Cockle Bay area. Documentation provided by affected residents in Stevenson subdivision was made available to the Group. The feedback from the residents related to concerns with the yellow U23 SMART trial. The Group recommended that the airport meet with the residents to better understand their feedback as soon as practicable.
- The Group also noted that the residents' feedback should be considered as part of the review of the U23 SMART trial.

5. SMART Approaches Update:

- Michelle Hancock updated the Group on the latest Smart Trial.
- The 12-month trial of the SMART Approach flight path, known as 'Yellow U23', commenced on 1 September 2015 and concluded on 31 August 2016. The flight path was used between 7am and 10pm by up to 10 aircraft per day.
- Aircraft have now stopped using the trial flight path and a draft report on the trial will be prepared and published for public consultation. The draft report will evaluate the impact on airspace management and the operational benefits – including time, distance, fuel and carbon emission savings; noise monitor results; and public feedback.
- Simon Lambourne noted that if the draft report was ready by the end of 2016, then public consultation and hearings could be undertaken by the end of March 2017 and the final report could be expected in approximately May 2017. The final timeline will be confirmed once the aviation industry working group has been consulted. Simon Lambourne informed the Group that Auckland Airport had also notified the public and shareholders about the trial via a media release and paid advertisements.
- It was suggested that a special meeting be held by the Group to review and discuss the draft report before it goes out for public consultation.

6. Noise Complaint Summary / Trends:

- Maps of noise complaints, standard graphs, noise and operations information and engine run data for May - July 2016 were distributed to the Group at the meeting.
- The Group discussed whether having additional data from the temporary / portable noise monitors would be of assistance. Auckland Airport will investigate the practicability of this with Marshall Day and report back.
- The Chair suggested that a list of sites currently being monitored and identification of fixed versus mobile monitors be presented at the next meeting. This was agreed.
- The Group also requested that the map of overflights in the reporting pack should be refined to make the geographical areas beneath the flight paths more visible.
- Kellie Roland provided information on what Auckland Airport measures under the current designation, including engine testing requirements. It was agreed that a brief memo would be provided to the Group outlining the airport's obligations under its current designations and presented at the next meeting.

7. Auckland Airport Noise Insulation Package Update

- Kellie Roland updated the Group on Auckland Airport's Noise Mitigation Package.
- The Group was advised that letters had been sent to around 1100 homes within the 2015 Annual Aircraft Noise Contours. Following the mail out, public meetings were held and were attended by around 100 members of community. More than 250 pre-inspections have been requested and around 200 of these have been completed to date. So far approximately 25 homeowners have agreed to take up the package. Auckland Airport will follow up with homeowners who have had a pre-inspection but not taken up the package. Kellie Roland noted that Auckland Airport Community Trust had expanded its criteria to provide funding for those in the MANA who are in financial hardship and need assistance to meet the 25% personal contribution.
- The Group expressed satisfaction with this work, noting that it was some six years since the last extensive promotion of the Noise Mitigation Package.
- The Group discussed whether language barriers or other issues were preventing some homeowners from taking up the package. Councillor Alf Filipaina will contact Kellie Roland to discuss whether he can facilitate increased engagement between Auckland Airport and the affected Pacific Island communities.

8. General Business:

- David Holm requested information on Unitary Plan submissions on aircraft noise and on the impact of the Proposed Unitary Plan on airport and aircraft operations.
- Kellie Roland provided a brief overview of the airport's submission on the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan. A paper summarizing the airport's submission will be circulated to the Group at the next meeting. It was agreed that a brief memo would be provided to the Group outlining the effect of the airport's submission, and presented at the next meeting.
- The Chair noted that following the forthcoming local elections there will likely be a number of new local board representatives on the Group. He commented on the need to secure better attendance from some local boards and the desirability of a briefing or familiarization session for any new members.
- The Chair also noted that the next meeting could be expected to discuss the 2015 Annual Noise Report and proposed changes to the Group's TOR and possibly the updated airport noise management plan if it is available.

The meeting closed at 3:25pm. The next meeting will be held 14 December 2016 at 2p.m., at Auckland Airport's offices, 4 Leonard Isitt Drive, Auckland.