

Busselton-Margaret River Regional Airport Development Project

Consultative Group

Meeting 4 Minutes

9 March 2017

5.30pm Community Resource Centre, Ground Floor Room 1
21 Cammilleri Street, Busselton

Attendees

	Name	Position	Representative	Present
1.	Cr. Gordon Bleechmore	Councillor	City of Busselton Council	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.	Naomi Searle	Director Commercial & Community Services	City of Busselton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.	Jenny May	Commercial Services Manager	City of Busselton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.	Melissa May	Stakeholder Engagement & Communications Project Officer	City of Busselton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.	Heather McKernan	MRBTA Airport	Margaret River Busselton Tourism Association	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.	Lawrence Deale	Hangar Owner	Hangar Owner Group 1	Apology
7.	Peter Mitchell	Hangar Owner	Hangar Owner Group 2	Apology
8.	Michael Tonks	Hangar Owner	Hangar Owner Group 3	Apology
9.	John Brisco	Secretary	Busselton Aeroclub	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10.	Peter Saint	Manager Air Operations	Department of Fire & Emergency Services (DFES)	Apology
11.	Michael Bleus	Chief Pilot	Royal Flying Doctor Service	Apology
12.	Peter Scott	Aviation Services Manager	Surf Life Saving	Apology
13.	Libby Mettam MP	Member for Vasse	Local Member	Apology
14.	Ray McMillan	Chief Executive Officer	South West Combined Chambers of Commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15.	Justin Francesconi	Superintendent Community Relations	Rio Tinto	Apology
16.	Kieran Chapman	Adjacent Landowner		Apology
17.	Ross Manning	Adjacent Landowner		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
18.	Carl Buckley	Senior Development Manager	Satterley Property Group	Apology
19.	Graeme Cotterill	Resident	Reinscourt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20.	Greg Chapman	Resident	Kalgup	Apology
21.	Stephanie Camarri	Resident	Yoongarillup	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
22.	Position Vacant	Resident	Yalyalup	

No.	ITEM DESCRIPTION
	Meeting commenced 5.30pm
1.0	Welcome and Apologies (Cr. Gordon Bleechmore)
	<p>The following apologies were received: Lawrence Deale, Peter Mitchell, Michael Tonks, Peter Saint, Michael Bleus, Peter Scott, Libby Mettam MP, Justin Francesconi, Kieran Chapman, Carl Buckley, Greg Chapman.</p>
2.0	Confirmation of 08 December 2016 Meeting 3 minutes
	Minutes confirmed.
3.0	2017 Proposed Noise Management Plan Community Information Sessions
	<p>Naomi Searle provided overview of resident concerns explaining that proposed night flights and current flight paths were the key concerns.</p> <p>Cr. Bleechmore stated that the Council informally discussed resident concerns and that the capping of night flights would be further discussed and considered by Council. Council discussed the possibility of capping flights to a maximum of 5 per week between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am. This was seen to provide a balanced approach enabling airport operations to facilitate flights while address community concerns and would give some certainty of the maximum number of flights residents could expect. Cr. Bleechmore highlighted that it is not anticipated that night flights would increase. Council would also require feedback from residents to determine if they were happy with this measure.</p> <p>Mr Cotterill asked a number of questions about this proposal, although it is appreciated that the Council in thinking this through and it is not final.</p> <p>Ray McMillian asked Cr. Bleechmore if the capping option received overwhelming support from Council.</p> <p>Cr Bleechmore responded that it wasn't a formal Council discussion and that all Councillors acknowledge the need to consider the matter. He stated that the Council will formally address the concerns of the community through the Public Submission process for the Draft Noise Management Plan (2017).</p>
4.0	Public Environmental Review Process (Jenny May)
	<p>The City has now received official notification in the form an Environmental Scoping Document (ESD) from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) outlining the process, scope and timeframes for the Public Environmental Review (PER).</p> <p>The City has commenced work to meet the timelines outlined in the ESD.</p> <p>The PER is focused on the City's proposal to modify BMRRA operations to:</p>

- allow additional aircraft types and operator aircraft types to use the airport; and
- change the hours of operation.

The key environmental factor for the environmental review is:

1. Social surroundings

The assessment milestones as per the presentation are below:

Key Assessment milestones	Completion Date
EPA approves Environmental Scoping Document	16 February 2017
Proponent submits first draft Environmental Review Document	31 March 2017
EPA provides comment on first draft Environmental Review Document (6 Weeks form receipt of ERD)	8 May 2017
Proponent submits revised draft Environmental Review Document	22 May 2017
EPA authorises release of Environmental Review Document for public review (2 weeks from EPA approval of ERD)	29 June 2017
Proponent releases Environment Review Document for public review for 6 weeks	3 July 2017
Close of public review period	14 August 2017
EPA provides Summary of Submissions (3 weeks from close of public review period)	4 September 2017
Proponent provides Response to Submissions	25 September 2017
EPA reviews the Response to Submissions (4 weeks from receipt of Response to Submissions)	23 October 2017
EPA prepares draft assessment report and completes assessment (7 weeks from EPA accepting Response to Submissions)	14 December 2017
EPA finalises assessment report (including two weeks consultation on draft conditions) and gives report to Minister (6 weeks from completion of assessment)	22 January 2018

Mr Cotterill asked how the City is able to proceed with construction without approval from the EPA.

Naomi Searle responded the during the assessment process, the City amended the proposal under s.43A of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to remove the runway extension, widening and strengthening component. A section 45C was approved for the construction elements relating to the extension, widening and strengthening of the runway.

Mr Cotterill requested clarification of the PER focus.

Naomi Searle clarified that the PER is focused on:

- additional aircraft types and operator aircraft types (ie freight) to use the airport; and
- the change in the hours of operation.

The key environmental factor for the environmental review is social surroundings.

Mr Cotterill asked if only Code 3C, not 4C aircraft are currently approved to operate.

Cr. Bleechmore responded that both aircraft could potentially operate under the current NMP (2015).

Naomi Searle stated that the current NMP (2015) deals with noise levels not aircraft models.

5.0 Member Updates

	<p><u>South West Combined Chamber of Commerce (SWCCI) – Ray McMillan</u></p> <p>SWCCI is a regional organisation with members across the South West.</p> <p>Discussions with members demonstrate a level of interest, particularly Bunbury, Margaret River and Manjimup.</p> <p>Manjimup is particularly interested as a large base for Rio Tinto FIFO employees.</p> <p>BMRRRA currently has services to 6 mine sites in the Pilbara region.</p> <p><u>Margaret River Busselton Tourism Association – Heather McKernan</u></p> <p>MRBTA has 780 members across the South West region, predominately tourism based.</p> <p>MRBTA distribute monthly newsletters to members including updates about BMRRRA and the Development Project.</p> <p>MRBTA also host a monthly ‘Member Mingle’ and invite speakers to update attendees on projects and Naomi Searle has presented on the project.</p> <p>MRBTA has received an overwhelmingly positive response to the BMRRRA Development Project and see that this is integral to the economic prosperity of the region.</p> <p>As the Ground Handling Agents at BMRRRA, there is direct interaction with the Rio Tinto FIFO network. Many questions are being fielded from the workers who are keen to be kept up to date with project.</p> <p>They are hoping with the redevelopment and extension of approved operating hours, additional services will be added which will cater for different rosters. At present some workers need to fly via Perth to connect with other services to the mine sites.</p> <p><u>New and additional Community Representatives</u></p> <p>Wonnerup – a representative is still being finalised.</p> <p>Yalyalup – a representative has been confirmed and will attend the next meeting.</p> <p>Port Geographe – no expressions of interest received.</p> <p>New appointments can be endorsed by the BMRRRA Consultative Group Chairperson.</p>
6.0	Actions from previous meeting
	<p>Mr Chapman is still waiting on a response from his noise consultant.</p> <p>All other actions are complete.</p>
7.0	Items for next meeting
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on Airside construction 2. Update on Landside construction. <p>Mr Cotterill asked what the process would be once the public submissions close for the Draft NMP (2017)</p> <p>Naomi Searle explained:</p> <p>Officers are collating responses and they will be presented to Airport Advisory Committee at</p>

	<p>21 March meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Details are:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Airport Advisory Committee Tuesday 21 March 2017 at 10.00am Community Resource Centre; Meeting Room 1</p>
8.0	Next meeting
	11 May 2017 commencing 5.30pm

Cr. Gordon Bleechmore
 Chair – Airport Advisory Committee

Agenda Item	Action	Responsible Person
4.0	Key Assessment Milestones table provide to GC	MM
4.0	Provide web link to EPA Assessment page for BMRRA	MM