

AIRCRAFT NOISE COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

Minutes

Meeting 21 August 2015, 10.30am

Attendees:

Gordon Strachan	(Independent Chairperson)
Robert Binney	(Kapiti Coast Airport, CE)
Jason Russell	(Kapiti Coast Airport Manager)
Jack Rikihana	(Te Ati Awa ki Whakarongotai Representative)
Jonny Best	(Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board Representative)
Don Day	(Community Representative)
David Blair	(Community Representative, Kapiti Retirement Trust)
Brian Sharpe	(Airport Operator)
Julie Lloyd	(Council Advisor – Environmental Health)
Kevin Currie	(Group Manager, Regulatory Services)
Heather McGregor	(Committee Secretary)

Apologies:

Graeme Barrell	(Airport Operator)
Rita O'Brien	(Council Advisor – Compliance Officer)

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Meeting participants introduced themselves.

APOLOGIES

MOVED (Rikihana/Day)

There were apologies from Rita O'Brien, Council Advisor and Graeme Barrell, Airport Operator.

MINUTES

The draft minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

MOVED (Day/Sharpe)

That the minutes of the meeting of 9 December 2014 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman tabled, and spoke to the report for the year ending 31 December 2014.

It was noted that the minutes of this meeting don't get widely circulated, however the Chairman's report does get put on the Kapiti Coast District Council and Kapiti Coast Airport websites. The airport acknowledges the work contributing to operations here.

Mr David Blair arrives at 10.34am.

MOVED (Chair/Sharpe)

That the Chairman's report be noted.

CARRIED

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT: 1 NOVEMBER 2014 – 31 JULY 2015

The Airport Manager Jason Russell spoke to his report.

Key points from this report included:

- Seven calls were made to the noise complaint line. Six were about noise.
- There was a drop in total movement numbers for 2013 to 2014.
- There is likely to be an increase in total movement numbers for 2014 to 2015. This is primarily a result of a record high number of movements over several months by the aeroclub due to increased membership and activity and extra services from Sounds Air.
- It was noted that there was a correction on page 2 of the report. The corrected totals were advised.
- All noise complaints were about fixed wing aircraft
- Since the start of Air New Zealand in 2011, complaints have dropped and remain very low.
- It was noted that medical transfers were allowed during curfew with two occurrences reported.
- Air field noise monitoring was undertaken by Marshall Day and the 2015 Monitoring Results document was noted. The daily level has been sitting at around 60 decibels. The limit is 65 decibels. It was noted that on the last page of the monitoring report that measured noise events don't always reflect the number of aircraft movements and that other mechanical noises may affect the monitoring such as the bird scarer, vehicles as well as aircraft taxiing past the monitoring equipment.
- Fly friendly brochures have been made available to new members to encourage aircraft operators to be considerate to the community.

MOVED (Day/Rikihana)

That the Airport Manager's report to 31 July 2015 be noted and that he be thanked for the high quality of his report.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr Brian Sharpe provided an update from the Gliding Club.

The Club's lease expires in 2020 however with the increase Air NZ operations, falling membership and the increased cost of operating a tug the Club has decided to move to Greytown where they will have their own hanger and towing would be with winches.

Mr Sharpe mentioned that the Club was sad to be leaving Paraparaumu but that the Airport company has been helpful with their move, which will be progressive through from February to April 2016.

The Chairman wished the Gliding Club well with their move.

Mr Robert Binney commented that this committee provides a valuable process which is useful for the airport helping them do the right thing within the community. They were pleased that there were few issues and recognises the benefits from continuing with the noise management procedure as set out in the District Plan.

NEXT MEETING

To be advised.

The meeting closed at 11.05am

Signed as a correct record of the meeting: