



**CONSULTATION MEETING
CANBERRA AIRPORT PRELIMINARY DRAFT 2009 MASTER PLAN
WITH GUNGAHLIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 8 APRIL 2009, 7:30PM**

**PALMERSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE,
TIPTREE CRESCENT
PALMERSTON**

Attendees	Organisation	Attending	Apologies
Alex Ananian-Cooper	Canberra Airport	✓	
Noel McCann	Canberra Airport	✓	
Kathy Aves	Canberra Airport	✓	
Alan Kerlin	Gungahlin Community Council	✓	

11 members, including the Gungahlin Community Council Executive and members of the public attended this meeting.

PowerPoint presentation by Canberra Airport

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- Copy attached.

Discussion points

- Canberra Airport presented on the 2009 preliminary draft Master Plan, including aviation growth, freight, aviation infrastructure development and aircraft noise.
- The Airport has had a relationship with the GCC for over 9 years via the Canberra Airport Aircraft Noise Consultative Forum – initially Peter Coggin and then Alan Kerlin (over the last 3 years).
- Significant discussion on aircraft noise, and Canberra Airport’s plans to keep aircraft noise within the High Noise Corridor and not over the Canberra and Queanbeyan noise abatement areas, especially at night, to mitigate the noise impact of freight operations on the community.
- The Airport first wrote to the ACT Government in July 1999, pointing out that the newer Gungahlin housing areas were being built outside of the Canberra Noise Abatement Area.
- It has been the policy of Canberra Airport since the 2001/2 agreement with the ACT Government for the boundary of the High Noise Corridor, that the Canberra Noise Abatement Area be enlarged to cover the future residential/urban area planned for Gungahlin.



Questions asked by members of the public

Unidentified male, resident

- **Question:** What drives aviation growth?
- **Response:** Various factors drive aviation growth, including discount airlines and new destinations.

Unidentified female, resident:

- **Question:** Is there any likelihood of Jetstar coming to Canberra?
- **Response:** Canberra Airport would love Jetstar to come to Canberra, however this is a business decision of Qantas. To date this doesn't look likely as Canberra continues to be a profitable route for Qantas.

Unidentified female, resident:

- **Question:** Can you please confirm that the yellow on the terminal precinct is all building?
- **Response:** Yes this is the Southern concourse of the new terminal, which has obtained building approval and is now under construction.
- **Discussion:** On the new terminal and its respective facilities.

Unidentified male resident:

- **Question:** What will happen to the General Aviation apron?
- **Response:** The apron will be upgraded as part of the terminal works and over the next 20 years extended up to the fuel depot.

Alan Kerlin:

- **Question:** Considering Airservices Australia continued reluctance to change the Noise Abatement Areas, what hope does the Airport have in obtaining the proposed extension of the NAA over Gungahlin and Googong?
- **Response:** The Airport will continue to work with Airservices with regard to the NAA extensions
- **Discussion:** Alan Kerlin, with Noel McCann and Alex Ananian-Cooper regarding the need for the making of the NAA legislation. This would require lobbying from both the community and the Airport. It was agreed by the Airport that the final decision would be the Ministers to agree to introduce any regulations. The Airport will continue to fight for these NAA changes.



Unidentified female resident:

- **Question:** How is the development outside these NAA areas, affected by aircraft noise?
- **Response:** The Airport will continue to lobby government to have the NAA moved to include the blue areas proposed (on the Airport's 2004 High Noise Corridor Plan), as future areas of Gungahlin and Googong to be included within the Noise Abatement Areas as until they are included they do not have the protection from aircraft noise.

Unidentified male resident:

- **Question:** What would happen to Canberra's opportunity for freight and international services when the Government sells Richmond Airport?
- **Response:** If the Government was to sell Richmond Airport as Sydney's Second Airport then it would be likely to reduce Canberra's opportunities. The Airport noted however, that the Hawkesbury Council has made a submission to the Aviation Green Paper supporting retention of military not airline operations at Richmond.