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Canberra Airport
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RE: CANBERRA AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

I am a Director of AWT Consulting Engineers, a local consultancy business, who has lived in Canberra for over 25 years. AWT currently employs 20 local staff which is only possible thru a viable and expanding local ACT economy.

AWT also undertakes work in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. This enables AWT to grow locally and but also requires a significant amount of travel by air. As such a business decision was made to leave our offices at Belconnen, which we owned, to relocate our to the Brindabella Business park some 18 months ago. This decision has proven to be a giant step forward for our business.

In our opinion, and thru our travels, the business facilities at Brindabella Business Park are second to none. That is not only our opinion, but those of our Clients that come to the Park for meetings. It is therefore with great interest we review the Preliminary Draft Canberra Airport Master plan and the flow on affects it would have for local businesses such as AWT.

The Airport is the entry for many people into the local community. It is where we meet our interstate clients and they get their first impressions of Canberra. Unfortunately the status of the airport is not in sync with being the entry point into the Nation's Capital.

I lived in Brisbane in the early 80's where the airport used to be no larger than big barn. I have since seen it grow, not only in size and in stature but a significant contributor to the Brisbane economy.

Canberra needs an airport with the visions and objectives outlined in this masterplan. It will not only contribute to the local business and the local economy but will be a facility that every Canberran, at one time or other would benefit from. Air travel these days is a very affordable mode of transport.



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Airports are the centrepiece of modern society. Like the shipping lanes and ports of the past they are what cities, towns and societies are built on. Without them and without the infrastructure to support them, then the potential of Canberra will be limited.

Canberra has for years put up with a second rate airport, lacking the necessary facilities and infrastructure that it deserves as being the Nations Capital.

I have read the Masterplan put forward by the Airport and fully support it's objectives and the benefits that it would have for all Canberran's.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Tingcombe".

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