

Community Aviation Consultation Group

Summary of Proceedings – 3rd December 2014

Recommendations from previous meetings

- All-weather access to aircraft.
- Public consultation for RWY 14 Golf Course Trial is to be extensive, beyond that which is required by current policy.

Airport Developments

Gold Coast Airport General Manager Aviation, Charles Martin, updated the Group.

- Overlay of the Northern Apron to high strength pavement allowing functionality of multiple wide body aircraft.
- The widening of Taxiway Echo and the installation of stormwater/interceptors allowing future operational functionality.
- Installation of a new covered walkway on the Northern Apron linking to the existing covered walkway connecting to the International Terminal.
- Installation of a new Airport Lighting Equipment Room (ALER) includes energy efficient airport lighting equipment and new touch screen controls for Air Traffic Controllers.
- Construction of a new building for Australian Federal Police (AFP).
- Installation of Runway Guard Lights at busy intersections on Runways to help prevent incursion.
- Tenancy upgrades at Airport Central.
- Car Park enhancements: New undercover walkway to the Terminal and also cover provided at Car Park exit.
- Refurbishment of the tables and chairs in the food court due for completion early next year. Free charging PowerPoints/USB port for passengers to charge technical devices will be incorporated into the new table tops.
- Refurbishment of a range of food facilities has been completed and the Ale House will be completed end of 2014.
- The awning at the front of the arrivals (bus bay) will be raised to allow access for double decker buses.
- Cathay Pacific will operate up to 5 x charters (A330) Hong Kong to Gold Coast Airport in February 2015.

AirServices Update

Nick Seselja provided a presentation to the Group covering:

- Strategic noise improvement – RWY 14 Southern Jet Departures, realignment over Banora Point Golf Course
- Update to Smart Tracking Procedures
- WebTrak Enhancements for Gold Coast Airport

Jason Hoare – Leading Senior Constable, Crime Prevention Liaison Officer Australian Federal Police

A presentation was provided to the Group on the Airport Watch program and security arrangements at Gold Coast Airport.

Ron Brent – Aircraft Noise Ombudsman

A presentation was provided to the Group on noise issues around the Gold Coast Airport and the role of the Aircraft Noise Ombudsman.

Recommendations from this meeting

- Provide all-weather access at the airport (an ongoing item).
- The public consultation for the Runway 14 Golf Course departure track trial needs to be extensive.
- The Department of Infrastructure PCF/CACG review to be transparent to all Group members.
- West Tweed permanent noise monitor to be reinstated.

Future Meetings - Proposed meeting dates for 2015

- 25 March
- 22 July
- 25 November