

HOBART FLIGHT PATHS

Airservices Australia implemented standardised flight path routes on 14 September 2017 for aircraft arriving and departing Hobart. A modification to the new routes was introduced on 1 March 2018.

WHY HAS THIS HAPPENED?

The new flight paths are associated with satellite-based navigation systems aimed at improving the safety of aircraft landing and departures. The use of the satellite navigation systems is occurring across Australia as required by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA).

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF THE CHANGES?

The Tasmanian economy is growing, bringing increased tourism to Hobart and the local region as well as providing local produce for national and international markets. This creates more opportunities for Tasmanian industries and enterprises.

With the number of air passengers and the volume of cargo increasing, it is critical that these occur in the safest manner possible. Safe air travel will support the continued growth of the Tasmanian economy.

Communities that are newly overflown, or are no longer being overflown by aircraft will experience environmental impacts in different ways.

Airservices has acknowledged that it should have consulted with affected communities prior to finalising the new flight paths.

WHAT IS HAPPENING NEXT?

Airservices is progressing consultation with relevant communities to inform our Hobart Airspace Design Review.

Airservices is seeking to better understand the ways in which people's lives were affected by the new flight paths introduced in September 2017 and March 2018. These social impacts will inform the Hobart Airspace Design Review.

Airservices will also develop a Community
Engagement Plan with community input. The agreed
Community Engagement Plan will be used as the
basis for consultation with various stakeholders and
communities, when Airservices presents the initial
findings of the Airspace Design Review in August 2018.

Stakeholders and community members are invited to attend the sessions listed below. Airservices has engaged a community engagement specialist and social planner Tania Parkes who will be assisting Airservices during the consultations.

Thursday 14 June 2018

9am and 10am consultations: Primrose Sands Community Centre, 570 Primrose Sands Rd, Primrose Sands

12pm and 1pm consultations: Sorell Memorial Hall, Cole St, Sorell

6pm and 7pm consultations: Dunalley Community Hall, 5 Franklin St, Dunalley

Friday 15 June 2018

12pm and 1pm consultations: Dunalley Community Hall, 5 Franklin St, Dunalley

6pm and 8pm consultations: Sorell Memorial Hall, Cole St, Sorell

WHAT IS THE HOBART AIRSPACE DESIGN REVIEW?

This is a technical review being undertaken by Airservices.

Within the operational requirements and constraints at Hobart Airport, Airservices will review the design of the SIDs and STARs for runway 12 and runway 30. The Terms of Reference for the Design Review are available on the Airservices website.

The Hobart Airspace Design Review will be undertaken as a greenfield approach with the safety of air navigation as the primary consideration and will include:

- An assessment of the operability of the design implemented on 14 September 2017, also including the planned change to the runway 30 STAR for implementation in March 2018
- Recommendations for any changes that would enhance the safety of the design balanced with minimising the effects of aircraft noise on the community as far as practicable
- Consideration of the requirements list in the Operational Requirements and Constraints section of the Terms of Reference.

Given Airservices requirements to consider safety as the most important consideration and the regulatory requirements to utilise satellite based navigation, Standard Instrument Departures and Standard Instrument Arrivals must continue to be utilised at Hobart Airport to ensure the travelling public continue to receive the best level of air traffic control service with the safest outcomes.

The initial findings of the Design Review will be ready for consultation in August 2018.

HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE TO THE HOBART AIRSPACE DESIGN REVIEW?

The current consultation process will inform the Hobart Airspace Design Review and feed into the development the Community Engagement Plan. The finalised Community Engagement Plan will be available in late June 2018.

When available, details will be advised on the Airservices website.

WHO CAN I CONTACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY CONSULATION?

Tania Parkes is assisting Airservices with the community consultations. Anyone wishing to discuss the consultation process or to wishing to pass on their experiences can contact Tania on:

Email: taniaparkes@taniaparkes.com.au, or Free call: 1800 172 173

WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE A NOISE COMPLAINT?

You can contact the Noise Complaints and Information Service (NCIS) Airservices Australia on:

- 1800 802 584 (free call), an interpreter service is also available on 131 450
- Our online form at: https://complaints.bksv.com/asa

