

ANNEXURE 5 - CONSULTATION

5.1 INTRODUCTION

5.1.1 Prior to lodgement of the NOR, QLDC and its technical advisers conducted a series of meetings and discussions over a three year period with the following groups and individuals considered to have a particular interest in the airport development and its effects on the environment:

- Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)
- Department of Conservation (DoC)
- New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA)
- Community groups and some adjacent landowners

5.1.2 The format and outcomes of this consultation process are set out in this section.

5.2 CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR THE MASTER PLAN

5.2.1 Consultation with CAA, DoC and NZTA did not raise any matters of particular concern.

5.2.2 Consultation with the community occurred between 2001 and 2002 as part of the draft Airport Masterplan process. In the period from 2006 into 2007 consultation with key stakeholders and the community has continued as set out below.

5.2.3 The draft Airport Master Plan was reviewed at a special presentation to QLDC Councillors and members of the Wanaka Community Board in March 2007. Following that meeting major commercial airport users were advised that a discussion draft of the plan was available for their perusal and comment. Draft plans were sent to these airport users, including Air New Zealand, and comments received have been incorporated into the document. In the main this feedback consisted of minor corrections or clarification.

5.2.4 The Master Plan was then circulated by email to an extensive distribution list of airport users and other interested parties. Advertisements were inserted in local newspapers (The Messenger and Wanaka Sun) advising that copies of the Master Plan were available for public consideration. An electronic copy, in pdf format, was also lodged on the QLDC website in the Wanaka Airport sub-section. In addition the Master Plan was featured in the QLDC information newsletter, Scuttlebutt.

5.2.5 The Master Plan was formally adopted by QLDC in September 2008

5.3 CONSULTATION ON THE AERODROME EXTENSION

5.3.1 During March 2010 a further series of consultation was undertaken with key stakeholders and members of the general public regarding the proposed changes at Wanaka Airport.

5.3.2 The consultation undertaken was as follows:

- 10th and 11th March: Individual meetings with neighbouring landowners.
- 31st March: Public Open Evening

5.3.3 At each meeting it was explained that the Wanaka Airport master plan (Peak Projects) and master plan addendum (AirBiz) had projected the likely growth in activity at Wanaka Airport and identified the infrastructure required to accommodate this growth. This would include an extended runway and an alternative parallel runway, which would be provided for through an extension to the Aerodrome Designation. The extended designation would also enable the future expansion of the terminal, hangars, car park, provision of a control tower and associated facilities.

5.3.4 Around a dozen people attended the Public Open Evening and feedback was generally supportive.

5.3.5 Consultation is on-going with some of the neighbouring landowners.

5.4 CONSULTATION ON AIRCRAFT NOISE

5.4.1 The consultation undertaken in March 2010 also introduced the proposed revised aircraft noise boundaries, which will provide for the increased aircraft activity. Some existing building platforms are located within the proposed boundaries. Discussions with the owners of the building platforms demonstrated a willingness to agree to the relocation of the building platforms to locate them beyond the revised noise boundaries, these discussions are on-going. The extended noise boundaries are the subject of a separate Plan Change lodged concurrently with this NOR.