
**AIRPORT COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE MURRAY ROOM ON
WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2026 COMMENCING AT 5:00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Christine Stead (Chair), Councillor Tony O'Grady, Peter Little (Community Representative), Robert Ryan (Community Representative), Roslyn Frawley (Community Representative)

Quorum = 3

Via Zoom: Jason Gordon (Community Representative), Greg Harrison (Consultant), Trent Kneebush (Consultant), Cyrus Chung (Consultant) and Athira Kuberan (Consultant)

STAFF

Director Sustainable Development, Joe Rizzo, Airport Facility Coordinator, Joanne Bollen, and Minute Secretary, Jessica Bertacco

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Peter Little and Roslyn Frawley that apologies be received from Michael Borg, Garry Harriman, Robert Ryan and Councillor Anne Napoli.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Roslyn Frawley and Councillor Tony O'Grady that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 May 2026, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Condolence Card

An action was noted to confirm whether a condolence card had been sent. Councillor Stead to follow up.

3.2 Runway line marking

Runway centreline line marking has been completed, with further taxiway line marking still underway. Additional runway numeral stencils may need to be ordered.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

Members making a pecuniary interest declaration are required to leave the meeting during consideration of the matter and not return until the matter is resolved.

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

Members making a significant non-pecuniary interest declaration are required to leave the meeting during consideration of the matter and not return until the matter is resolved.

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

Members making a less than significant non-pecuniary interest declaration may stay in the meeting and participate in the debate and vote on the matter.

There were no less than significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Jason Gordon entered the meeting via Zoom at 5:07 pm.

CL01 GRIFFITH REGIONAL AIRPORT MASTERPLAN WORKSHOP

Committee noted the information presented by To70 Consultants. The consultants advised that stakeholder consultation and situation analysis are complete, with the Master Plan now in the drafting phase.

Joe Rizzo entered the meeting at 5:21 pm.

Key priorities identified include flood mitigation, emergency services, terminal/apron improvements, regional connectivity, general and agricultural aviation.

A dedicated Emergency Services Hub was identified as a priority project and potential grant funding opportunity.

Proposed future works include terminal and apron expansion, additional aircraft parking, Taxiway Bravo 2 extension and Eastern Precinct development.

Due to the age of the existing Aerodrome Flood Study being 2011, a new Flood Study was recommended by the Committee members to support mitigation measures and future development. Mr Rizzo advised that a new Flood Study would be estimated to cost between \$100,000 to \$250,000 and unless a recent flooding event in the catchment had occurred, grant funding would not be supported by State Government; therefore Council would have to fund the Flood Study.

The Committee supported the strategic directions in the draft Master Plan and requested recognition of pilot training, flying school activities and major aviation events.

The consultants advised that an Australian Noise Exposure Forecast (ANEF), additional noise contours and airport safeguarding measures will form part of the Master Plan. The ANEF and safeguarding provisions will assist with protecting airport operations from incompatible surrounding development, including noise-sensitive development and

obstacles.

The draft Master Plan is targeted for completion in November, followed by public exhibition and finalisation.

Consultants left the meeting at 6:04 pm.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

The Outstanding Action Report was updated.

Mr Joe Rizzo advised that the Regional airport paid parking infrastructure is in place and final technical/legal testing is underway. A two-week testing period will occur before implementation, with operation anticipated around mid-to-late October, subject to testing.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Committee Members

Ms Frawley advised of her intention to resign from the Committee and will provide written confirmation. Members discussed the opportunity to fill the resulting vacancy, including the potential for stronger agricultural aviation representation.

7.2 Runway 18/36

Members raised concerns regarding the coarse gravel surface on Runway 18/36 and suggested consideration of a finer, smoother surface during future restoration. Ms Joanne Bollen advised that the runway is currently closed and quotations are being obtained for grading and rolling works. The need to consider pavement condition and restoration requirements was noted.

8 MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH BY CLOSED COMMITTEE

CC01 GRIFFITH REGIONAL AIRPORT - RPT PASSENGER NUMBERS YEAR TO DATE

The Committee noted the information received. Passenger movement figures were reported as generally consistent with recent periods.

9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Airport Committee is to be held on Wednesday, November 2026 to be advised at 5:00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 6:30 pm.