

**PRESENT**

Councillor Dan Hayes	Wagga Wagga City Council
Councillor Kerry Pascoe	Wagga Wagga City Council
Josh Dorey	Qantaslink
Warrick Lodge	Regional Express
Dannielle Wait	Wagga Wagga Business Chamber
Iain Carty	Department of Defence - RAAF
Geoff Breust	Aviation Industry Participant
Jenny Cabot	Aviation Industry Participant

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Peter Thompson	Wagga Wagga City Council
Caroline Angel	Wagga Wagga City Council
Darryl Woods	Wagga Wagga City Council
Natalie Te Pohe	Wagga Wagga City Council
Carolyn Rodney	Wagga Wagga City Council
Maree Ingram	Wagga Wagga City Council

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land. I would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Wiradjuri Nation and extend that respect to other Community members present.

**APOLOGIES**

Leon Burger	Wagga Wagga City Council
Mark Wallace	Aviation Industry Participant

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **CM-1 AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MEETING HELD 4 OCTOBER 2017**

***Recommendation:***

On the Motion of Warwick Lodge and Councillor D Hayes

**That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Airport Advisory Committee Meeting held on 04 October 2017 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.**

**CARRIED**

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor K Pascoe declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in that Dannielle Wait, Wagga Business Chamber Representative for the Committee, is his daughter in law.

## **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

### **RP-1 AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE**

***Recommendation:***

On the Motion of Councillor D Hayes and Warwick Lodge

**That the Committee note the contents of this report.**

**CARRIED**

### **RP-2 WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL - AIRPORT FINANCIAL OVERVIEW**

***Recommendation:***

On the Motion of Councillor D Hayes and Warwick Lodge

**That the Committee:**

- a note the contents of the report**
- b nominate 21 March 2018 and 27 March 2018 as subsequent meeting dates to facilitate a detailed review of the Wagga Wagga Airport 2018/2019 budget**

**CARRIED**

## **QUESTIONS/BUSINESS WITH NOTICE**

Additional information required by the committee to inform the 2018/19 Wagga Wagga Airport budget review process:

1. Warwick Lodge – Explanation required in respect to the significant increase in depreciation from 2016 financial year to the 2017 financial year noting there being no big increase in capital expenditure to align with depreciation.

Revaluation of the airport, how does the process work, who does the revaluation?

- Peter Thompson – information will be supplied to explain depreciation and revaluation
2. Geoff Breust – Need to understand where the grant funding is up to in respect to the Capex budget next year. Will they be factored into the budget? Need to look at what the funding is for, it may be better used for something else.
    - Peter Thompson – The grants will be included in the budget. Funding would be lost if it were to be channelled into a different project.
  3. Cr Hayes – Would like a status report on all airport projects.
  4. Warwick Lodge – Is the \$3.8m Airport Terminal likely to be started in this financial year?
    - Darryl Woods – A status update will be provided. The Airport budget review will inform the Capex going forward.
  5. Josh Dorey – It would be helpful to have clarity on what money has been repurposed, What it was for and now what it is being used for.
  6. Warwick Lodge Cr Pascoe – What process is followed re airport assets such as the main runway?
  7. Cr Pascoe – Present in the next two weeks, details as to what has to be spent over next 10 years on assets including details on Bay 4 problems i.e. cost, how big?
  8. Warwick Lodge – Can a detailed depreciation schedule be provided to the Committee as it would be good to understand whether recommendations can be made to tie into the Capex budget?
  9. Geoff Breust – Would it be possible to get AVDATA details?
  10. Darryl Woods – Would like an indication from REX and Qantas as to the following:
    - a. Loading/forecasting for next financial year
    - b. Pilot shortages

- c. Reduced flights into Wagga (forecast flights/passengers)
  - Both REX and Qantas provided a broad explanation on the outlook for regional aviation
11. Cr Pascoe – Invited the General Manager to make a comment on management structures at the airport
  - Peter Thompson responded that he would bring back a discussion paper which reviewed various management models for operations of regional airports for the consideration and comment of the committee.
12. Warwick Lodge – Would like more detail on Other Expenses including:
  - a. Airport Screening Costs
  - b. Airport Internal Administration Costs (what is this about).
13. Geoff Breust – Borrowing Arrangements – How are Council loans done for the airport?

THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 7.15pm.