The Brisbane Airport Community Aviation Consultation Group (BACACG) was established by the Brisbane Airport Corporation and held its first meeting in April 2010. As in previous years, four meetings were held during 2014, in February, April, July and October.

Issues discussed and considered by the BACACG during the year included ongoing noise issues over the southern approach, runway capacity constraints and the associated runway Demand approach, runway capacity constraints ongoing noise issues over the southern the BACACG during the year included issues discussed and considered by management System, the new parallel runway, airport master planning, and the airport safeguarding, CACG community reduction program, noise issues, included the Government’s red tape in Canberra in October. issues canvassed mr ron Brent, the Airport noise Forecast (AnEF), and the Brisbane new Brisbane Australian noise Exposure the Curfew review, progress with the plan, proposed airport development, Chairs, hosted by the Department of Aviation Consultation Group (CACG) i attended a meeting of the Community complaints with the AnO providing an April meeting and reiterated Airservices Ombudsman (AnO), attended the ms Jackie Messer for her sterling work member over the past five years, i particularly wish to thank Ms Jackie Cann for her service as a Community member over the past five years, Ms Jacinta Messer for her sterling work as the BACACG Secretary and welcome Mr Rowland Richardson into that role.

I attended a meeting of the Community Aviation Consultation Group (CACG) Chairs, hosted by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development, in Canberra in October. Issues canvassed included the Government’s Red Tape Reduction program, noise issues, airport safeguarding, CACG community membership, Brisbane Airport Curfew Review, airport master planning, and the new parallel runway at Brisbane.

I would like to express my appreciation for the commitment and support of all members of the BACACG. The Community members have been engaged, have raised issues of concern and have always operated in a collegiate and courteous manner. Airport, Industry and Government members have been open, constructive and responsive to matters raised and this has allowed the BACACG to find resolution to difficult issues.

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Finally, I would like to thank the BAC MD and CEO, Ms Julieanne Alroe, the Board and the senior management team for their ongoing support and encouragement to the BACACG over the past twelve months.

Major General The Honourable Peter Arnason AC, CVO (Retd)
Chair BACACG

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The Brisbane Airport Aviation Consultation Group (BACACG) is an independently-chaired forum to promote informed and responsive community engagement between Brisbane Airport and the aviation industry, government agencies and surrounding communities on issues relating to aircraft and ancillary operations.

Community
Brisbane Airport is committed to building and sustaining quality relationships with the wider community. Underpinned by respect, the BACACG is a forum to engage and share information and updates that are important to our community.

Community Consultation
In 2014, the BACACG hosted a number of members of the community who attended meetings, allowing them to effectively raise their concerns in an open and respectful environment. Facilitating direct access to Airservices Australia and airline representatives, these invitations drove collaboration and understanding surrounding the complexities of aviation operations and how these impact communities.

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In December 2012, a proposal to adjust the flight path for aircraft departing Brisbane Airport to the south was presented to Airservices Australia through the BACACG. The proposal underwent a thorough review process overseen by the airlines, airport and Air Traffic Control. The revised flight path was drafted using Airservices Australia’s noise modelling and flight path design capabilities to provide the best possible outcome for the community. The review saw the successful implementation of the flight path in being moved further south in 2014, reducing aircraft noise impacts over Pinkenba.

New Parallel Runway Development
Throughout the year, the BACACG was kept up to date on the progress of the New Parallel Runway, including flight path information and how this relates to the local community. Key topics from these meetings were carried over to Brisbane Airport Corporation’s wider Community Engagement Program, ensuring that the local community was provided with critical information about the New Parallel Runway, which is set to open in 2020.

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During the Master Plan Development phase, the BACACG Community Members were provided regular updates on the various levels of the Master Plan and were provided the opportunity to provide feedback during the public consultation period.

The Future
In 2015 the BACACG will continue to operate as a forum for Community Members to raise and highlight issues and encourage informed decision-making. The success of the BACACG can be attributed to the ongoing dedication and support of the Chair, the Community Members and also the industry and government representatives.