

Media Release

Community took the opportunity to view Moorabbin Airport's future

Over 130 people attended the two public community information sessions at the Moorabbin Airport terminal on Thursday 7 May and Saturday 9 May.

The community sessions were organised by the Moorabbin Airport Corporation, the operator of Moorabbin Airport, to provide information about the Moorabbin Airport Preliminary Draft 2015 Master Plan which is currently on public exhibition.

The Preliminary Draft 2015 Master Plan sets out a strategic vision for Moorabbin Airport's next 20 years – through to 2035. Airports operating under lease from the Australian Government, including Moorabbin Airport, must prepare a Master Plan every five years.

Moorabbin Airport is a major Victorian transport gateway, a centre of general aviation and flight training and an existing and growing hub for employment and economic activity in metropolitan Melbourne. The Preliminary Draft 2015 Master Plan envisages:

- On-Airport jobs growing from 3,300 to 8,500 over the next 20 years.
- Economic value increasing from \$340 million to \$825 million annually.
- \$10 billion of economic activity over the 20 year period.
- Investment of \$570 million in high quality facilities and infrastructure.
- Building on the Airport's national and international reputation for flight training and aviation excellence.

A key area of interest for communities around the airport is aircraft noise. Airport Chief Executive Paul Ferguson said: "We recognise that aircraft activities create noise and this is an important issue that we deal with in the Preliminary Draft 2015 Master Plan. The nature of an airport is that the aircraft using the airport will create noise, particularly within the 3 nautical mile controlled airspace zone. We will continue to work with aircraft owners and operators to ensure they are aware of resident concerns and responsible flying options. We welcome any feedback on this or any other issue of interest to our surrounding communities."

The Master Plan can be downloaded at www.moorabbinairport.com.au/corporate/master-plan. A hard copy can also be purchased from the Airport Management Centre, 66 Bundora Parade, Moorabbin Airport VIC 3194.

The public exhibition at the airport terminal is open for public inspection and comment until 5pm on Wednesday, 17 June.

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About Moorabbin Airport Corporation

Moorabbin Airport is located 21 kilometres south east of the Melbourne CBD. The airport provides a combination of aviation and business services. More than 3,300 people work across the 294-hectare site - one-third of them in aviation. With 230,000 aircraft movements annually, the airport is the third busiest in Australia. The site also includes many popular local and global brands.

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