

Notes of the Motueka Aerodrome Advisory Group meeting

Date: Wednesday 25 November 2015 at 2.30 pm

Venue: Motueka Service Centre Boardroom, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Present: Cr B F Dowler (Chair)
Richard Horrell (Motueka Community Board)
Stuart Bean (Commercial Users representative)
Bill Coppins
John Richards
John Gourdie

In attendance:
Jim Frater (Property Services Manager, TDC)

1. Apologies

R Horrell/S Bean

That an apology from Jeremy Anderson for absence, be received.

Carried

2. Minutes – 26 August 2015

S Bean/R Horrell

That the minutes of the meeting of the Motueka Aerodrome Advisory Group held on 26 August 2015 be confirmed.

Carried

The Property Services Manager provided an amended set of rules for the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) within the 4 kilometre zone of Motueka Aerodrome, as an attachment to the minutes of 26 August 2015.

3. Discretionary and Permitted Uses

Mr Frater reported that there had been ongoing discussions with operators of UAVs and one operator has met with the Operations and Safety Committee. No other applications have been received.

4. Motueka Aerodrome Development Plan

Mr Frater updated the group with a proposal to erect a building for the Tasman Rural Fire Force.

5. Memorandum of Understanding

Moved J Richards/W Coppins

That the next review of the Memorandum of Understanding be undertaken in March 2017.

Carried

6. Management Plan Review

It was agreed that the management plan would be reviewed at the meeting to be held on 24 February 2016.

7. Aerodrome Budget

It was requested that a copy of the budget be provided for the May 2016 meeting to give the group an opportunity of recommending any changes to the budget process before the budget is adopted.

8. Grass Runway

Discussion was held on the rehabilitation of the grass runway. The surface is better in some places and worse in others. Mr Frater was requested to take the issue of the rehabilitation of the grass runway up with Nelmac as the users' expectations have not been met. In the meantime the grass runway will be closed.

9. Unmown Areas

In response to a question Mr Frater mentioned that the unmown areas were expected to be baled during December 2015. Conversations would be held with potential contractors to improve the grass species for haymaking prior to Autumn 2016.

10. Property Services Manager

Moved S Bean/R Horrell

That the Motueka Aerodrome Advisory Group acknowledge the contribution made by Mr Frater to the Motueka Aerodrome and wish him well in his retirement.

Carried

11. Meetings Calendar

The meeting dates for 2016 were agreed as follows:

Wednesday 24 February 2016

Wednesday 25 May 2016

Wednesday 24 August 2016

Wednesday 23 November 2016

All meetings to be held in the Motueka Service Centre meeting room, commencing at 2.30 pm unless otherwise advised. It was requested that meeting appointments be sent to the group members.

Meeting concluded at 3.35 pm.