

## *Airport Authority Subcommittee*

Minutes of the Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee meeting held on Monday 10 May 2021, commencing at 1.03pm, in the Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton.

### **Present**

Mayor Neil Brown and Councillors Leen Braam (Chair), Rodger Letham and Lynette Lovett.

### **In attendance**

Zane Adam (Property Officer) and Phillipa Clark (Governance Team Leader).

#### **1 Apologies**

Nil.

#### **2 Conflict of Interest**

Nil.

#### **3 Notification of Extraordinary Business**

Nil.

#### **4 Confirmation of Minutes**

**That** the minutes of the Ashburton Airport Authority Subcommittee meeting, held on 19 October 2021, be taken as read and confirmed.

Letham/Lovett

Carried

#### **5 Airport Activity updates**

##### **• Hangar space**

The Subcommittee agreed that potential revenue due to increased demand for hangar space will need to be balanced with a need to ensure room for aircraft to manoeuvre safely.

A map was tabled showing an area to the west of the airfield where there's space for two or three additional hangars. Access is available and the distance from the road reserve will be taken into account. Land to the immediate north of the Aviation Museum also has room for several more large hangars.

As part of wider consultation on the Ashburton Airport Development Plan the Airport Users Group will be included in discussions on hangar location, including the possibility of providing an area with road access from Murdochs Road.

The Airport Users Group will be meeting on Tuesday 25 May, at 7pm in the Council Chamber. The meeting will be open to the public.

##### **• Lease agreements**

The Subcommittee asked how soon the general rate contribution towards the airport rentals can be reduced.

Zane reported that lessees currently meet around 66% of the market rental rate – \$6/m<sup>2</sup> commercial and \$4/m<sup>2</sup> recreational. (*Market rates are \$9/m<sup>2</sup> commercial and \$6/m<sup>2</sup> recreational*).

The 10 year lease agreements at the Airport are on a three year review cycle and there are no lessees paying a commercial rate currently.

The Subcommittee generally agreed that all leases should be taken straight to market value, but acknowledged the review process will need to be followed for existing lease agreements.

### Recommendation to Council

**That** Council requires that the full market rates be applied to all new leases at the Ashburton Airport.

Mayor/Lovett

Carried

### Business transacted with the public excluded – 1.36pm

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely – the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<b>Item No</b>	<b>General subject of each matter to be considered:</b>	<b>In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:</b>	
5	Skydiving activity	Section 7(2)(h)	Commercial activities

Lovett/Letham

Carried

The Subcommittee resumed in open meeting and concluded at 2pm.