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## Submission on Ashburton Airport Development Plan 2022 - 2052

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Ashburton Airport Development Plan. This submission has been compiled by Te Mana Ora, which is part of the National Public Health Service in the South Island region. The National Public Health Service recognises its responsibilities to improve, promote and protect the health of people and communities of Aotearoa New Zealand under the Pae Ora Act 2022 and the Health Act 1956.

This submission responds to the specific questions provided in the Draft Ashburton Airport Development Plan.

The matters of interest to the National Public Health Service in relation to public health impacts of the draft Plan are:

- Increased noise levels
- Increased light pollution
- Increased traffic
- Provision of adequate utility infrastructure

We agree the draft Plan correctly identifies these issues that may arise from the proposed development and that they will need to be addressed in future planning and consent processes.

The National Public Health Service supports the proposal in the Airport Development Plan that the residential/airport noise interface should be addressed in the District Plan. However, we are also aware of the potential noise issues if the commercial area is not adequately separated from the residential area. We look forward to making a more detailed submission on the relevant District Plan changes.

Please note that Te Mana Ora asks to be considered a stakeholder in this process and wishes to engage further if the development progresses.

Ngā mihi

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