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Q1

Your contact details (optional)

Name

Q2

No

Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing? The hearing will be held in the Council Chamber on 14 September 2022. Please note that hearings are publicly live-streamed.

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Q3

Respondent skipped this question

How you would like to present your submission at the hearing?

Q4

No,

Comments:
see attached

Do you support the goals in the Ashburton Airport Development Plan (as follows)?* Ashburton airport is enabled to become more financially independent* More people are attracted to Ashburton Airport for activities that support the vibrancy and viability of the facility* Ashburton Airport is sustainably managed to support increased use of the facility over the next 30 years* Ashburton Airport remains an appealing, thriving hub for the local community and visiting aviation enthusiasts for the next thirty years

Q5

I support a low level of rates funding (10%-20%)

In 2021/22, the total budget for Ashburton Airport was \$152,023, of which 60.9% (\$92,558) was funded from rates. Which level of rates funding would you support us working towards?

Q6

Other (please specify):

Referring to the map below, please select which of the following you agree with:(you can click on the image to make it bigger)

I do not support an increase of flying time including for a flying school or recreation.

Q7

No hangar homes

Referring to the hangar homes proposal on page 8 of the consultation document (click here to view), what is your preferred density of hangar homes?

Q8

Do you have any other comments or feedback about this draft plan?

Draft Ashburton Airport DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2022 – 2052

I object to the draft development plan re the following:

I already had concerns about the noise generated by the aircraft using the Ashburton Airport I spoke to a councillor approx. a year ago and voiced my concerns re the noise and future development of Ashburton that would be hindered by the noise generated by aircraft.

AIRCRAFT	2022/2023	2024/2025
	5	12

FLIGHTS	2022/2023	2024/2025
	13	42

Reading these figures with the number of flights increasing, does not include other potential airport users not in the draft plan, this activity is going to make life in Braebrook, Hampstead and further East unbearable. We have a right in summer to enjoy peace and quiet and quality of life including recreation outside, without a constant droning that according to projected usage, if the draft plan is adopted will intensify.

The plan mentions using Ashburton as a spoke to a hub for further activity in the future. Although this may sound good, but with so much increased activity it will be detrimental to our peace and enjoyment of Ashburton as a place to live.

- In dollar terms how will ADC benefit from increased usage?

The financial contribution the Ashburton District Council currently make to the airport through rates is considerable \$92,558.

According to the draft plan Runway 16 is capable of being lit up at night. The direction of this runway is towards town and will impact the new subdivision corner Trevors Rd and Wakanui Rd, more so if there is an increase in flight training activities at night.

- What are the permitted hours of flying?
- Will the ADC have control of these hours and night flying?

Living in the Hampstead area I have noticed an increase in noise. Is this due to planes carrying out parachute activities? The noise is such that it is difficult to enjoy the outside in summer to an extent that I go inside to avoid the noise. The noise is a slow low droning noise, very irritating. I have a right to enjoy the peace and outside area of my home, I bought the home before airport activities increased.

- I also note that the district plan ADC does not control the noise of flying aircraft.

It would be extremely questionable if the council were going to allow extensive changes to the airport and have no control over noise that will increase. This could be to the detriment of the expansion of Ashburton to the East. My understanding this is where planners see Ashburton developing towards, i.e., not towards the river or Racecourse Rd and West.

- If you do not take future development into consideration you are opening yourselves up to limiting, where we can develop.

In the draft plan it has been identified that in its current form it would lead to complaints from (such as residential development).

Draft Ashburton Airport Development Plan 2022-2052

- Stated in the draft plan "Council wishes to encourage development that is suitable for the Airport's rural residential surroundings" This statement does not consider how the noise will affect urban dwellers, including Trevors Rd down towards Milton Rd.
- Would adopting this plan then place the ADC in a corner and not allow development of land for housing because of the flight paths?

This goes against what I understood was the future development of Ashburton. The question then is where are ADC going to extend?, we need further land for housing to ensure we meet the needs of business to attract a workforce.

- Saying in the draft plan the benefits of allowing aviation activity; allows for the opportunities for residential development in other locations. Has ADC identified this location? Where?

Enable future commercial opportunities – Response Council also proposes to develop performance standards and control measures for managing appropriate land use in and around the Airport. Planning frameworks need to enable ongoing and appropriate development at the Airport, especially as new technologies emerge.

My concern is that it seems ADC is preempting that future development East of Ashburton is in jeopardy.

- ADC can control Airport site noise but not aircraft flying noise.

ADC state they have engaged with neighbours of the airport, you cannot have engaged with the future residents of the new subdivision Trevors Rd/Wakanui Rd and other proposed development in this area. I feel that no consultation has been undertaken to the people who are affected, but not living on the airport boundary, as I certainly was not.

ADC suggest in the draft plan that income from the proposal will be \$100,860, as they are already running at a deficit of \$92,558, there is no monetary gain.

- Will ADC have to continue/ increase their contribution if the proposed future activities do not eventuate?

Will the ADC (i.e., ratepayers) pay for:

- Water services up grade
- Power connections
- Wastewater Services
- Road realignment
- Access to airport.
- Fibre connections
- Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) approach.

Apart from the noise of aircraft I would object strongly to further costs that would increase my rates, ADC have undertaken a huge investment i.e., Museum/Art Gallery, EA Networks Centre, new Council/Library, up grading of East St, up grading new water services, still to do, up grading of Baring Sq, and new bridge. I did not object to these, I understood my rates were going up by 9.8%, but they have gone up 12%. We cannot commit to further unnecessary spending. Please do not publish my name or address