# BRISBANE FLIGHT PATH COMMUNITY ALLIANCE





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## Airservices stonewalling noise complainants FOI documents reveal

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Airservices Australia systematically stonewalls community members with legitimate complaints about aircraft noise, claims local community group Brisbane Flight Path **Community Alliance (BFPCA).** 

Community complaints manuals obtained through Freedom of Information requests show how Airservices staff are instructed to provide pre-scripted answers designed to quash complaints and prevent them from progressing to investigation or referral to the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) or to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional **Development and Communications.** 

### bfpca.org.au/ncis



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Investigation into complaints about the flight paths associated with the Brisbane Airport new parallel runway

August 2021

## **ANO Report**

bfpca.org.au/ano-report

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# Input into PIR & BAPAF

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#### BRISBANE FLIGHT PATH COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

Brisbane Airport Flight Path Changes Post-Implementation Review (PIR): Feedback on PIR Draft Terms of Reference

4 September 2021



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# **CURFEW A BETTER PLAN**

Airservices Australia and Brisbane Airport Corporation want an **unlimited number of** planes flying over greater Brisbane to make them rich.

Their solution to the devastating noise pollution this is causing is to "share" it to new suburbs, including yours. BFPCA is fighting for a better solution; a curfew and a total flight cap just like Sydney Airport has.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND **OUT HOW A CURFEW AND TOTAL** FLIGHT CAP CAN SAVE BRISBANE.



**BFPCA.ORG.AU/NOISESHARING** 





# In force legislation not applied to Brisbane

Sydney Airport Curfew Act 1995

- C2021C00045 In force - Latest Version

**View Series** 

DETAILS

**EXPAND** 

#### Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997



DETAILS

**EXPAND** 

Aircraft Noise Levy Act 1995



- C2012C00908

In force - Latest Version

**View Series** 

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#### Airports Act 1996

- C2021C00019

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### legislation.gov.au







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#### The Hon Catherine King MP

Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government PO Box 6022 House of Representatives, Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600 Via email: Minister.King@mo.infrastructure.gov.au

Brisbane, 23 November 2022

#### Excessive flight path noise pollution across Brisbane: BFPCA meeting request

Dear Minister,

Brisbane residents are suffering from unrelenting and unsustainable aircraft noise resulting from the New Parallel Runway at Brisbane Airport and associated flight path design changes to Brisbane's airspace.

Brisbane Flight Path Community Alliance (BFCPA) formed in November 2020, soon after the new flight paths become operational when we all realised Brisbane Airport Corporation (BAC) and Airservices Australia's promises about minimal impacts were lies.

Since then, our community has worked with the Aircraft Noise Ombudsman (ANO), Airservices Australia, and Brisbane Airport Corporation through their established channels to try and effect change. The ANO corroborated the Brisbane community's experience that community consultation for the introduction of the new airspace architecture was **inadequate and misleading** (see ANO report Oct 2021<sup>1</sup>), but Airservices and BAC failed to act. Instead, evidence from FOI releases and Senate Estimates confirms that they used their immense institutional power to stonewall people suffering and gaslight communities and elected representatives by lying about the volume of complaints they receive through arcane reporting methods.<sup>2</sup>

We then turned to our local elected representatives, both incumbent and aspiring, for help. As a result, the Brisbane Airport Post Implementation Review Advisory Forum (BAPAF) was created by the former government. Under sustained pressure from our community for independent oversight of the Post Implementation Review, BAPAF recommended that Airservices commission TRAX International to conduct a review. This review produced 49 recommendations across four work packages that could have already been implemented by Airservices to mitigate the impacts of noise

## Minister King abandons Brisbane community on aircraft noise





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://bfpca.org.au/ano-report/</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://bfpca.org.au/ncis/ and https://bfpca.org.au/estimates/



Catherine King MP 📀 @CatherineKingMP

An important roundtable this afternoon, focussing on jobs and skills in the aviation sector.

Bringing together key stakeholders these discussions will feed directly into the Jobs and Skills Summit next week.









#### Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development

29 March 2022

Mr David Diamond Chair Brisbane Flight Path Community Alliance Inc. PO Box 2031 New Farm QLD 4005 Via email: contact@bfpca.org.au

Dear Mr Diamond

Thank you for your letter of 4 March 2022 seeking an outline of the Australian Labor Party's position in respect of the Brisbane Flight Path Community Alliance (the Alliance)'s aircraft noise report card.

I am attaching to this letter the Alliance's "report card" complete with Labor's policy positions, but I wanted to take this opportunity to set out Labor's view in more detail.

Led by our local MPs, Labor has long argued the Morrison-Joyce Government needed to take seriously the concerns of residents affected by aircraft noise. We were pleased to see the Government follow Labor's lead last September by establishing an independent airport forum for Brisbane residents. If Labor is successful at the next election, we will make that forum permanent and independent along the lines of the Sydney Airport Community Forum. There may well be value in a continued role for the Brisbane Airport consultation group insofar as it related to other activities on the airport – that would be something for us to work through with Brisbane Airport and other stakeholders if we are fortunate enough to form government after the next election.

Labor is committed, in government, to delivering a new aviation white paper of the kind not seen since Anthony Albanese was Minister in 2009. That white paper set the scene for a range of the consultative mechanisms now in place, but we recognise that more than a decade later they require a refresh.

While Labor doce not support the idea of a curfew for Brisbane Airport, we note the Brisbane Airport Post Implementation Review Advisory Forum (BAPAF) has reserved its position on the need for demand management measures until noise improvements achieved from immediate measures proposed by the Brisbane Airport Corporation, and the outcomes of changes committed to through the Airservices Post Implementation Review, can be assessed.

We further note that in response to BAPAF's recent progress report, Airservices appointed independent global air traffic management advisor Trax International to independently review 29 March 2022:

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## **Aviation White Paper**



The Aviation White Paper (the White Paper) will set the long-term policies to guide the next generation of growth and innovation in the aviation sector.

It will clearly articulate the Commonwealth Government's policies on desired aviation outcomes in relation to safety, competitiveness, sustainability and efficiency to ensure the sector is appropriately positioned to deliver aviation services for the Australian public out to 2050.

The White Paper will examine issues across the aviation sector. This includes four specific areas identified by the Government when announcing the White Paper:

- how to maximise the aviation sector's contribution to achieving net zero carbon emissions, including through sustainable aviation fuel and emerging technologies
- the economic reforms needed to improve productivity across the sector, including addressing skills shortages, competition between airports and airlines, and charting a course out of the pandemic
- how to support and regenerate Australia's general aviation sector
- better mechanisms for consultation on and management of issues like aircraft noise, airport development planning and changing security requirements.

In the 2022-23 Budget, the Government committed \$7 million of funding to deliver the White Paper.

#### Submissions to comment on draft Terms of Reference close 10 March 2023



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Australia's aviation cartel has control over government policy-making: This is <b>state capture</b> .	4



## **BAC are turning Brisbane into an Aerotropolis** Not a city with an airport, but an airport with a city attached to it.



Royal Schiphol Group and specifically BAC have long been guided by the vision of turning Brisbane into an "aerotropolis" as proposed by **Dr John Kasarda**, president and CEO of Aerotropolis Business Concepts LLC and president of the Aerotropolis Institute China. <u>https://aerotropolis.com/</u>



### Aircraft Movements 2009 – 2021 Sydney, Melbourne & Brisbane





**BNE 2035:** 37,820

SYD has 2 runways and a night time curfew plus a movement cap of 80 flights per hour

**BNE now has 2 runways since** July 2020, but no night time curfew and no movement cap

Without a night time curfew and movement caps in place, the capacity at BNE can exceed SYD by 37.5% assuming BAC's capacity rate of 110 flights an hour.

**BNE New Parallel Runway** launch 12 July 2020

### bfpca.org.au/brisbane2035











How corporations have eroded our democracy, and what we can do about it

australiandemocracy.org.au/statecapture

Confronting State Capture

**Read the Report** 



https://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/national/queensland/wwii-warbirds-get-1-1b-brisbane-parallel-runway-off-to-flying-start-20200712-p55bc1.html





Annastacia Palaszczuk MP 🥝

15 January · 🕄

Emirates will double its flights from Dubai to Brisbane from June this year.

It means thousands of extra international tourists visiting Queensland and a \$75 million boost to overnight visitor expenditure.



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### The Queensland **Premier's** \$200M aviation "war chest"

https://www.facebook.com/annastaciamp/posts/pfbid02DhHn c197FVahK7HKDGL6VWLA7vUeP5fTPjedPcNAR7o5wXME2tjf kmDntYiNKY65I



# Emirates II will arrive 10.20pm and depart 2.50am starting

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https://www.emirates.com/media-ce ntre/emirates-doubles-services-to-b risbane/

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# **BFPCA's appeals pathways**

- **Political advocacy** to exercise pressure on decision makers and 1. politicians;
- 2. Community engagement to build our numbers and grow our movement so we can stage impactful protests and rallies;
- 3. Legal review to understand what judicial appeals pathways are available to us including class actions;
- 4. Technical assessment to understand how flight paths can be changed for the benefit of communities;
- 5. Shareholder activism to lobby BAC's investors to use their leverage in the boardroom.







# How you can help

- Read up on the underlying issues and causes
- Connect with BFPCA
- Sign up to the SMS distribution list
- Participate in 2023 actions
- Donate
- Volunteer



bfpca.org.au/signup bfpca.org.au/sms bfpca.org.au/take-action bfpca.org.au/donate bfpca.org.au/volunteer

## **Volunteers** needed

We're always after people with skills and expertise in:

- Accounting, finance, investment, ESG principles, shareholder activism. • Legal, regulatory, policy, requesting, reading and scrutinising FOI documents.
- Technical aviation expertise, e.g. pilots and ATCs, current or former.
- Noise, acoustics, data visualisation, data analysis.
- If you know influencers in various positions, let us know, too. For example: journalists, pollies, senior advisors, investors, directors, decision-makers, power brokers within the two major parties.

Bry speak Dutch, let us know, too, please.

### bfpca.org.au/volunteer



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