



25 November 2021

Director, Transport Assessments
Planning and Assessment
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
4 Parramatta Square
12 Darcy Street
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

Dear Sir/Madam,

DA21/15298 Helipad Penrith Lakes

We are writing in response to the referral of the above Development Application. The application seeks to construct and operate a helipad at 100 Old Castlereagh Road, Castlereagh. The application includes a maximum of 25 flights per day, fitout of an existing warehouse and single storey building, new lighting for the Final Approach and Take Off area and the installation of a fuel storage tank. An Aviation Impact Report, dated 22 October 2021, has been submitted in support of the application.

Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport (WSI) is a Commonwealth owned Airport. Concept flight paths for WSI were included in the Environmental Impact Statement for Western Sydney Airport (2016). An Obstacle Limitation Surface (OLS) for WSI has been declared and the site is located outside of the OLS. However, it is noted that the Procedures for Air Navigation Services – Aircraft Operations (PANS OPS) surface for WSI is yet to be declared.

The Commonwealth Government is responsible for the preparation of airspace design including flight paths for WSI. Once the draft airspace design is developed by the Commonwealth, these will be released for public consultation.

Whilst the airspace design and future flight paths for WSI were discussed at a meeting between the applicant, their consultants and relevant stakeholders, WSA recommends further consultation should occur between the proponent and the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications in relation to the proposed development and airspace design for WSI.

We thank you for the opportunity to review the development application and provide comments. If you have any questions on the above issues, please do not hesitate to contact Deanne Frankel on

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Yours Sincerely

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