

I live in West Kensington. We are often subjected to aircraft noise from planes taking off in a Northerly direction from the smaller North/South runway. The planes fly low over our house and it is impossible to engage in normal household activities (have a conversation, watch TV etc) while the planes are overhead. Frequently they will wake our baby up. There can be dozens of planes in a row, with no respite.

It seems that little thought is given to the impact that planes taking off in this direction has on literally thousands of houses. Flights take off in this direction when the decision to do so does not seem to be supported by more than very low levels of wind – having regard to bureau of meterology figures:

<http://www.bom.gov.au/products/IDN60801/IDN60801.94767.shtml>

Sending planes in this direction should be seen as an action of last resort – only if wind is of a minimum strength to justify it. That minimum level should be made publicly available and Airservices Australia held accountable to it.

Regards

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