

- I am responding to this enquiry due to the adverse effect aircraft noise is having on my personal life.

- My wife and I have resided at Ferndale WA 6148 for over thirty years.

- In just over the past year we have noticed increasing levels of noise as aircraft fly over our residence.

- The noise at times seems to shake the house and disrupts not only leisure time but also sleep, a prime example was that in the early hours of this morning (2.15am to be precise) a aircraft flew over our house the noise was deafening and ultimately woke me up (it sounds as if the aircraft is very close to our roof line), exactly four minutes later another aircraft flew over our house and three hours later after being unable to get back to sleep I arose. Needless to say I was tired at work today (I run my own business) and felt that due to a lack of sleep I was not as patient with staff as I would normally be.

- I find it incredible that something as major as changing flight paths can be done without any consultation to the many people it effects. There is no doubt that were one to advise people that they would now have aircraft flying over their homes they would most certainly object but consultation and an explanation is the very least one should expect.

- I find it dissapointing that having lived at the same residence for over thirty years and having been involved in the community by way of involvement through sporting clubs and as an employer that suddenly my life style should be changed without consultation or good reason.

- My wife and I are near to retirement and find it disturbing that at a time in our life when we are looking to a more peaceful and relaxed way of life this is taken away from us by someone or a department completely unknown to us and without consultation.

- Has the aircraft effected our lives? the answer has to be YES! We may well be in the middle of watching a movie or programme on TV or in conversation when a aircraft goes over our house and the noise it makes cuts all other sound out, does it effect our sleep? YES! as detailed above.

- In conclusion I reiterate my statement that I am alarmed that flight paths should be changed without consultation or explanation to the many people it inevitably effects. What do I want done, firstly I would appreciate an explanation (belated though it may be) as to why this change was made, secondly if the existing flight path over our home has to remain then I believe that we should have some form of compensation for the disruption to our lives by way of double glazing. I am not certain that insulation will be effective as we already have this and it certainly does very little to cut out the noise, certainly it may be of some small assistance but it is not as effective as double glazing would be.

- I thank you for the opportunity to make this submission,

Yours Sincerely,

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