

Rural And Regional Affairs And Transport

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2021 - 2022

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications

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Division/Agency Name: Airservices Australia

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Topic: AIRSERVICES - Brisbane Post-Implementation Review (PIR)- Conflict of interest

Senator Larissa Waters asked:

What processes will Airservices implement to ensure the PIR is independent and any conflicts of interest are managed?

Answer:

Airservices is applying the following processes to address any perceptions of conflict of interest:

- Developing and publishing draft Terms of Reference for the PIR inviting community feedback prior to finalising;
- Conducting multiple public community engagement forums in different suburbs of Brisbane which are recorded and published on Airservices Engage Platform;
- Engaging an independent specialist advisor with experience working on airspace, flightpath and airport changes overseas, including at both Gatwick and Heathrow, with the remit to review and make improvement recommendations across all aspects of the airspace design, operations and PIR engagement, ensuring the PIR is conducted appropriately and effectively;
- Seeking advice and input from the Brisbane Airport Post Implementation Review Advisory Forum which is an independent, community-oriented forum established by the Australian Government in September 2021;
- Conducting community workshops in the first quarter of 2022 to consider options for noise improvements; and
- Publishing data, information and PIR documents for external review and feedback.