

Motueka Aerodrome Operations Committee

Tasman District Council

Date and Time: 2 March 2022

Venue: Zoom

Present: Stuart Bean (Chair)
James Ross, Jackie Day, Brad Keay, James Meldrum, Mark Stagg.

In attendance: Nick Chin and Christina Ewing

Meeting opened at 10.03 am

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Christina Ewing.

2. Apologies

John Gourdie

Moved: Stuart Bean **Second:** Jackie Day

That apologies be received from John Gourdie.

Carried

3. Minutes of the last meeting – 1 December 2021

Moved: Brad Keay **Seconded:** James Meldrum

That the minutes from the 1 December meeting be accepted as a true and correct record.

Carried

4. Action items from the previous meeting

Action	Status	Assigned to:
Diamond Grid Check	Ongoing	Stu Bean

5. Operations and Safety Issues

Drag Racing- Nick Chin gave an update to the Committee that the Motueka Drag Races will not occur on 5 March 2022, due to the restrictions of Level 4. The Chair asked Council to write to John Gourdie, asking for him to outline future plans for the races after March 2022.

AIMM Report

The Chair noted that the AIMM report would not normally come to the Operations Committee but would normally go to the Motueka Aerodrome Advisory Group. He took it as an opportunity to explain how the report was worked and went through the information provided.

6. General Business

Mowing and maintenance services for the Aerodrome – It was discussed by users how maintenance of the Aerodrome over the years had dropped. Nick Chin would look into it.

Complaint received by Council

A complaint was received by Council regarding some irregular and perceived dangerous flying occurring, the Committee discussed the complaint and asked the Enterprise Portfolio Officer to refer the complaint to the appropriate business that was named. The Chair explained that the businesses at the Aerodrome are willing to listen and work with the Community.

Grass Cutting: It was mentioned how the grass was getting long and that it was good that it was mowed yesterday, edges still needed doing. It was outlined that Nelmac were going tomorrow to finish the edges. The usual dump station hazards were noted as well as a recent incident that the fence had been damaged again, with a car going into it.

Drag Racing

It was mentioned how the last drag races had gone well with incorporating flying/racing and working with the organisers. Using the grass runway worked well. Nick Chin thanked James for coordinating with the NDRA.

The meeting closed at 10.31 am

Next meeting: – 1 June 2022

Action Log – 2 March 2022

Action	Status	Assigned to:
A large area of loose stones needs to be returned by the fuel pump. (Northern side of the pump).	Ongoing	Christina Ewing

Diamond Grid Check	Ongoing	Stu Bean
Contact John Richards to ask about mowing frequency, spraying and maintenance specifications for the Aerodrome. Stu will pass on Nicks's cell phone to John.	Ongoing	Stu Bean
Contact Kono regarding using lasers as bird scarers.	Ongoing	Nick Chin
Council to write to the NDRA, asking if they could outline the future plans for the races after March 2022 (due to Covid) and inform the Aerodrome.	Ongoing	Nick Chin

Unconfirmed