

MELBOURNE AIRPORT

SMART PATH FOR RUNWAY 34 (SOUTH)

Summary of Community Feedback

Airservices consulted the community about a proposal to implement Melbourne Airport Smart Path for Runway 34 (South) between October-November 2018.

The details of the proposed change are provided on our website:

<http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/projects/flight-path-changes/melbourne-airport-smart-path/>

The purpose of this update is to provide a summary of the community consultation activities, feedback we received regarding the proposed change, and to demonstrate how the feedback has been considered.

SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

Website Update

A fact sheet outlining the proposal was also released on the Airservices website and provided to community members currently registered with Airservices Noise Complaints and Information Service (NCIS).

Newspaper Advertisements

A public notice was placed in the Hobson's Bay Star Weekly including a link to information about the proposal on the Airservices website.

Communication with Councils

Airservices sent correspondence to the Hobsons Bay Council advising of the proposal.

Community Aviation Consultation Group (CACG)

The fact sheet detailing the proposal was provided to CACG members in an out of session meeting, and a full update on the proposal was provided at the CACG meeting on 20 November 2018.

CONSIDERATION OF FEEDBACK

Five residents were concerned that the proposed change would increase the current aircraft noise to an unacceptable level.

Airservices acknowledges that some residents may experience an increase in noise of up to 1.6 decibels (dB(A)) as a result of aircraft using Smart Path from the south. It is not expected that this level of increase will be noticeable.

Two residents provided feedback on the adequacy of the consultation process.

Three residents raised general concerns regarding possible effects on property prices, environmental pollution and health issues. Specific feedback regarding the type of information Airservices should present for community consultation will be incorporated into future changes.

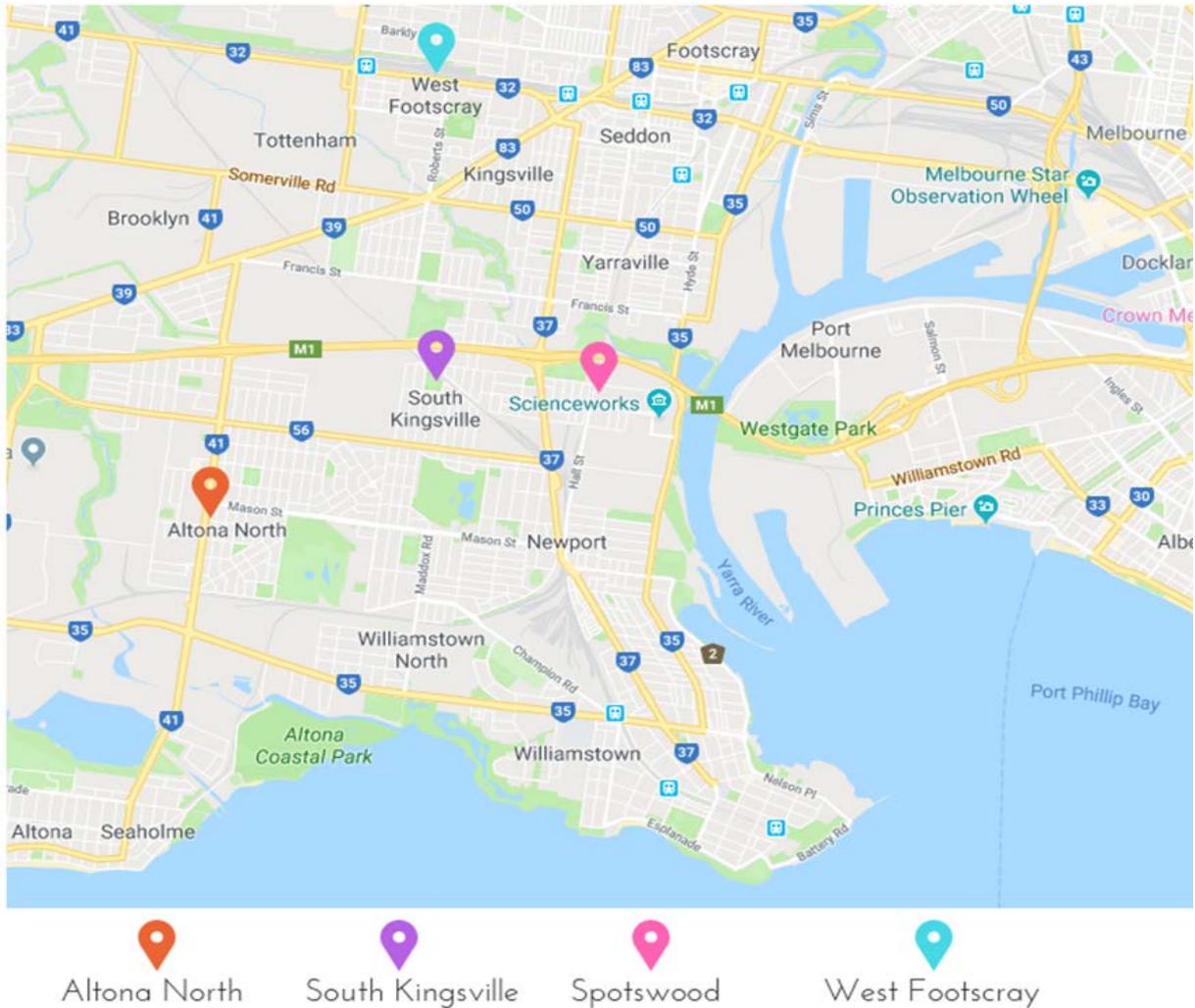
All questions were answered by Airservices Noise Complaints and Information Service (NCIS).

NEXT STEPS

Airservices has considered the feedback from residents. As there were no recommendations for flight path or airspace improvement actions identified in the feedback, the proposal will proceed to implementation. Changes will come into effect on 8 December 2018. Airservices values all feedback received and thanks residents for taking the time to submit their views.

SUMMARY OF WHAT WE HEARD

Five (5) residents provided feedback to Airservices from the following areas:



A summary of the feedback themes is provided below:

