

To whom it may concern,

It's great to see the township plan progress after all this time. However, it is important that we get this right. May I make an objection to some parts of the plan which relate to our property [REDACTED].

Please refer to p50 of the Miners Rest Township plan. The pink area of the map relating to the last dot point in the side legend [REDACTED] indicates it is unsuitable for housing due to forecast airport noise for the year 2050.

I request that our property, [REDACTED] be removed from this pink area, as it is no longer accurate.

Miners Rest Township Plan report p50 (Pink area – legend last dot point)



The reasons for this request are;

1. The Background Information & Analysis report p26, itself states that the area is suitable for housing because it is back hidden from Howe st and would serve to connect the “old with the new” parts of the Miners Rest Township.

Land to the south of Cummins Road (rural land)

Positives

- The land is located between the 'old' and 'new' parts of Miners Rest and would assist in connecting and consolidating the two halves of the town.
- The land is broadly 'hidden' from open viewed vistas along major roads, and any potential development of this land would be less obvious and visible.

2. There are no longer any restrictions concerning noise overlays affecting [REDACTED]. The National Airports Safeguarding Framework (NASF) N70 overlay previously applying [REDACTED], no longer applies. The extension of the airport North South runway to 2000m lifts this only restriction [REDACTED] (out of about 10).

In explanation the airport is extending the North South runway to 2000m, so we need to look at the Option 1D for NASF N-contours only in The Ballarat Aerodrome Noise Modelling Report (BANMR).

Ballarat Aerodrome Noise Modelling Report (BANMR) p4 Option 1D

Option 1D

A 2000m long runway, 30m wide enclosed in a 300m runway strip, developed over the existing runway (RWY 18/36), with extensions applied to the north and south.

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The extension is option 1D (not option 2B)

Ballarat Aerodrome Noise Modelling Report p25 – Option 1D



You can see that the N70 contour affecting our property until now, no longer affects our property with the runway extension. The N70 overlay indicates the predicted noise limits of more than 20 events (includes both take off and landing) exceeding 70 decibels a day in 2050. This is the only contour which was affecting part of [REDACTED] up until now. The process of extending the runway to 2000 metres removes this from our property.

This means that our property at [REDACTED] then has no noise contours affecting it (none of any of the overlays relating to ANEF, NASF, AEO overlays). As a result, the final paragraph in the Miners Rest Township Plan - Background Information and Analysis p20, can be reconsidered.

Rezoning of land currently affected by noise contours may be reconsidered at a time when there is certainty about future use and development of the airport, and the noise impact as assessed under the NASF guidelines is considered acceptable for a sensitive land use.

3. The NASF noise modelling was based on the actual types and number of flights in 2018 and looked at forecasting the number of flights per day for the Year 2050. Take into account that this included the training flights by the Chinese flight academy, which was 90% of the flights in 2018, and with the school not recovering from the pandemic, the predicted air traffic for 2050 in the Ballarat Aerodrome Noise Modelling Report is way too high.
4. Lastly a reminder that Council has previously passed a motion that the application for rezoning of [REDACTED], be forwarded to the Planning Minister for permission to be put on exhibition, and this still stands.

Thanking you for your time, [REDACTED]