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Mr Julian Leeser MP
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Aircraft noise over Beecroft and Cheltenham

Dear Julian,

The Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust is seeking your assistance in reducing the current nuisance of low flying aircraft over Beecroft and Cheltenham. A number of residents have raised the issue with Trust members. This is a recent phenomenon that started late last year but is now beginning to irritate affected residents with its frequency. Living nearby, you may have experienced this issue yourself.

The aircraft are large passenger jets that are, based on the tone of the engine noise, approaching Mascot airport for a north- south landing; presumably due to the prevailing winds that require such an approach or maybe due to congestion. This is accepted. We also accept that our suburbs appear to be directly under the preferred flight path. However the planes are now coming across extremely low for some reason and are creating a serious nuisance to the local residents. There will, of course, be a minimum height that planes can use on their approaches, but the noise levels indicate to us that the planes are now regularly flying over our suburbs on this minimum level. Some days there will be no planes at all, then we will experience a period from about 7 pm to 10pm with planes regularly coming across, often at a very short intervals. It is very unpleasant, especially over the summer period when residents have their houses open.

The Trust believes this is a Federal matter, hence this request to you as our Federal representative. There may be a simple solution to this recent nuisance, such as the planes flying slightly higher. I hope there is.

Thanking you in anticipation of a speedy solution and reply,

Yours faithfully,

Ross Walker
President
Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust
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