

### **TORONTO PEARSON NOISE MANAGEMENT FORUMS**

The Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) is the non-profit operator of Toronto Pearson International Airport. In 2017, the airport served more than 47 million passengers, making it Canada's largest airport and the second-busiest North American international airport. The airport also facilitates 6.3% per cent of Ontario's GDP, directly employs 49,000 people and facilitates more than 300,000 jobs throughout the province of Ontario.

The GTAA's vision is to make Toronto Pearson the best airport in the world, which includes being a good neighbour and growing together with the communities it serves. While the GTAA understands that airports have impacts and noise can't be eliminated entirely on local communities, we believe that improvements should be studied, discussed, and implemented with communities. And as the airport continues to grow to meet the demand for regional and global air travel, we need to better manage those impacts.

The airport's Noise Management Forums, a series of a series of briefings, tables, and working groups, will help the airport work smarter with its communities and collaborate better with industry to help manage aircraft noise.

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## **Political Briefings**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **PURPOSE**

Political Briefings allow the Noise Accountability Board (NAB) to provide detailed, group briefings to elected officials three times a year about noise management initiatives, airport growth-related initiatives, and operational changes, including construction programs, that may result in community noise impacts.

These meetings help to ensure that elected officials continue to be informed about Toronto Pearson's operations, the GTAA's Noise Management Action Plan, and its noise management programs.

#### **PARTICIPATION**

The Political Briefings will include elected official representatives and Noise Accountability Board (NAB) representatives.

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

The Political Briefings are open to any elected official, representing a municipal, provincial or federal electoral district that is impacted by Toronto Pearson's operations. Elected officials may send a staff member to attend the Political Briefing on their behalf.

The GTAA will continue to meet regularly with individual elected officials, and elected officials are encouraged to request a personalized briefing or meeting with GTAA representatives at any time throughout the year. We encourage elected officials to continue to direct constituent concerns to the GTAA Noise Management Office throughout the year.

### *Other Elected Official Participation*

- Periodically, elected officials may be asked by community groups in their constituencies that are members of the Neighbourhood Table to participate in those meetings throughout the year.
- Elected officials are welcome to attend the Pearson Public Meetings throughout the year.

### **NOISE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD**

The GTAA is responsible for the management and facilitation of the Political Briefing. Other NAB industry representatives and technical support representatives may participate in meetings, as required, to listen and consider elected official perspectives on Noise Management Action Plan programs.

### **MEETINGS**

The Political Briefings will be held three times per year, and the schedule will be announced at the beginning of each year. Invitations will be sent annually to elected officials, listing the dates of future meetings.

To accommodate elected officials from across the region, briefings will be conducted through webinar format.

Political Briefings are not open to the public; however, meeting summaries will be made publicly available.

### **2019 POLITICAL BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

- April 2, 2019
- September 25, 2019
- December 3, 2019

### **MEETING MATERIALS**

The GTAA will be responsible for setting the agenda. Agendas and materials will be circulated one week prior to the Political Briefing.

Each meeting will last 1.5 hours and a typical agenda will look like this:

- 10 min            Welcome and agenda
- 30min            Noise Management Action Plan Update
- 30min            Special topic presentation
- 10 min            Wrap-up and look ahead

The Political Briefings will observe the [Chatham House Rule](#), with participants agreeing not to directly attribute any comments to specific elected official participants. Following each meeting, a summary, any action items, and presentations will be sent to all elected officials. Meeting summaries will also be available to the public on the Toronto Pearson website ([www.torontopearson.com/NMFmaterials](http://www.torontopearson.com/NMFmaterials)) following each meeting.

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Terms of Reference will be updated as required to ensure the purpose and scope for Political Briefings remain current and appropriate.