

# Media release

## Newcastle Airport CEO appointment finalised

Friday, 29 May 2015

The Chairman of Newcastle Airport, Peter Gesling, today announced that following an extensive recruitment process the Board has appointed Peter Cock as Newcastle Airport's new Chief Executive Officer, effective 17 June 2015.

Peter has a decade of executive experience at Perth Airport where he held the roles of Executive General Manager Operations and Customer Experience, Chief Operating Officer, and General Manager Corporate Risk. Most recently, Peter has worked as an independent consultant for a range of clients, including Perth Airport.

The Chairman commented that Peter will bring substantial aviation and airport experience to the role as well as significant leadership experience.

"We were looking for a candidate with the skills to grow the airport business including the aviation and aerospace facilities. This role will also seek to optimise commercial opportunities and maintain a positive customer experience.

"We were impressed with Peter; he has relevant experience and a strong aviation and business background.

"Peter has shown he has the necessary skills and qualities to guide Newcastle Airport in its next phase of growth.

"The Board and I look forward to working closely with Peter as he leads the company into this new phase and builds upon what is already a very successful airport business and transport hub for the Hunter region.

"On behalf of the Board and our shareholders – Newcastle City Council and Port Stephens Council – I would like to welcome Peter to the position of CEO and wish him well in his new role," said Mr Gesling.

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