



THE SENATE

**RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**State of Australia's aviation sector and its ability to deliver reliable and affordable services to rural, regional and remote communities**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 10 April 2026**

**King Island Hub, 38 Lighthouse St  
Currie, King Island, TAS**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.45 am	<b>King Island Council</b> ( <i>Submission 57</i> ) Mr Marcus Blackie, Mayor Mr Vernon Philbey, Deputy Mayor Mr Rowan Cooke, Council Member Mr Chris Newton, Airport Manager
10.30 am	<b>King Island Tourism</b> Mr Adam Hely, President Mr John Geary, Vice-President
11.00 am	<b>King Island Regional Development Organisation/King Island Chamber of Commerce</b> ( <i>Submission 61</i> ) Mr Greg Morris, President Mrs Evelyn Caro, Coordinator
11.30 am	<b>Phoenix Community House</b> Ms Sally Haneveer, Manager
<b>12.00 pm</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>

Committee Chair: Senator Ross Cadell

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