



ARGYLE CORPORATE ADVISERS

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
SUNSHINE COAST AIRPORT PROJECT
PROBITY STATEMENT**

Argyle Corporate Advisers (Argyle) are the independent probity advisors appointed to the Sunshine Coast Airport - Commercial Partner Project by Sunshine Coast Regional Council (Council).

We have overseen the Expression of Interest (EOI), Indicative Bids and Binding Bid Stages of the procurement process from a probity perspective. The work done has been governed by a Probity Plan drafted by Argyle and endorsed by Council. Probity functions have included attendance at Interactive Workshops with Bidders, oversight of the Virtual Data Room process, review of Bidder Responses, participation in meetings of the Evaluation Panel where those Responses were evaluated and reviewing the Evaluation Report with advice from appointed advisors.

We confirm that the Evaluation Report on the Binding Bid Stage dated 7 December 2016, including recommendations, is consistent with our observations of the process undertaken. We have also reviewed the outcome of actions taken by Council since that date in the negotiation of contractual terms with the Preferred Proponent including a review of relevant documents and through discussions with Council officers where appropriate.

We advise that there are no unresolved probity issues and that, in accordance with our enquiries, there have been no complaints regarding the procurement process at the date of this statement.

Peter Bruton
Probity Advisor

8 February 2017