

Media release

Newcastle Airport's \$14.5 million terminal redevelopment officially opens

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Today Newcastle Airport's \$14.5 million terminal redevelopment, of which \$11.1 million was funded by the NSW Government's Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund, was officially opened by Parliamentary Secretary for the Hunter and Central Coast Scot MacDonald.

The opening marked the end of the 12-month build which expanded and refurbished the Newcastle Airport terminal. The completed works include: the extension of the terminal building by 50%; a brand-new departure lounge and arrivals hall; dedicated facilities for customs, immigration, and quarantine to facilitate international services; and six new food and beverage outlets.

"To unveil to our region the stunning finished product is very satisfying," commented Newcastle Airport's CEO Peter Cock.

"We now have an airport that complements the spirit of our region. It's bright, modern, and ready for the future."

The project has been completed on time and on budget with no lost time to injury.

The local design and construction team, Schreiber Hamilton Architects and Hansen Yuncken, have designed and built a vibrant space that will meet the growing needs of Newcastle Airport.

"The completion of this project begins an exciting period for our business and for the region. It's very timely that recent announcements by local airlines showing they're operating in the black, combined with the lowest oil price in five years means the airlines are currently operating in a sweet spot.

"These lower overhead costs combined with increased capacity in airline fleets are have coincided perfectly with the opening of our terminal; this gives us the ability to take on more services we couldn't have previously.

"The Newcastle Airport you will experience today really sets the benchmark for regional aviation in the terms of design, build, and customer service. The building we have today will connect our region to the rest of Australia and beyond and is an airport our region deserves," concluded Peter.

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