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Submission: Dear Sir/Madam, My name is Michael Hennessey and I am currently a Boeing 777 Captain with Emirates Airline. Warnervale Airport has been a major part of my life since 1990 when I took my first flying lesson. It has also played an unquestionable role in my professional success. I was first a student (1990-1995) then an Instructor (1995-1999). During my time at the airport I saw first hand the crucial role that the airport plays in the community in good and bad times. Every day was different. Some days it was medical evac others it was fire relief. Pilot training, engineering, corporate charter, joyflights, fuel supply all daily events. I was also present when the Warnervale Airport Restrictions act was put in place. I believe that much of the emotion of the time stemmed from the political climate. Sydney Airport had not long since completed its third runway and the noise restrictions and subsequent curfew had dominated the news cycle. Most of the fear regarding noise was based around the outdated transport category airliners of the 60s and 70s. Modern day airliners use different engines and are significantly quieter. I was present at many of the public meetings regarding Warnervale in the early 90s. The misinformation being presented from the action group shocked me at the time. Comments like 747s interrupting my sleep, aircraft dumping fuel over schools and Warnervale becoming Sydneys second airport were commonly put forward by what was a well organised action group. For most of the non Aviation public this was the first information they received. In any case the restrictions act was never designed to restrict General Aviation. Airlines around the world are facing a shortage of experienced pilots. Organisations such as CCAC are crucial in their role of training the next generation. The current management team are highly qualified professionals with a balanced and reasonable vision of the airports future.. Most regions have successful airports. Warnervale should be a Regional Airport that the Central Coast people can rely on and be proud of. Yours Sincerely Michael Hennessey.

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