

## Notice of Meeting:

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board will be held on:

**Date:** Wednesday 3 April 2019  
**Time:** 9.00 am  
**Venue:** The Otago Settlers Association Board Room, Toitū Otago Settlers Museum, 31 Queens Gardens, Dunedin

Sue Bidrose  
Chief Executive Officer

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## Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board PUBLIC AGENDA

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### MEMBERSHIP

<b>Chairperson</b>	Phil Dowsett	
<b>Members</b>	Cr Rachel Elder Cr Aaron Hawkins Peter Smith	Cr Doug Hall Susan Schweigman
<b>Senior Officer</b>	Nick Dixon, Group Manager Ara Toi	
<b>Governance Support Officer</b>	Rebecca Murray	

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**Note:** Reports and recommendations contained in this agenda are not to be considered as Council policy until adopted.



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**1 APOLOGIES**

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

**2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Note: Any additions must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting.

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## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Members are reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.
2. Elected members are reminded to update their register of interests as soon as practicable, including amending the register at this meeting if necessary.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes/Amends** if necessary the Elected or Independent Members' Interest Register attached as Attachment A; and
- b) **Confirms/Amends** the proposed management plan for Elected or Independent Members' Interests.

### Attachments

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Toitū OSM Board - Register of Interest - current as at 27 March 2019				
Name	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
Phil Dowsett	Owner	Residential Property Ownership - Dunedin and Lake Hawea	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Various public companies	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Rachel Elder	Owner	Residential Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Rental Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Greater South Dunedin Action Group	Decisions may be considered on the future of South Dunedin.	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Committee Member	Dunedin Toastmasters Club	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Host Parent	Otago Girls High School	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Connect South (Dunedin Council of Social Services) (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Society (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Keep Dunedin Beautiful (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Manufacturing Holdings	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chair	Southern Urban Dunedin Community Response Group	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Café Logic Advisory Group	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Youth Partnership Advisory Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Doug Hall	Director/Owner	Hall Brothers Transport Ltd	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek prior approval from Office of the Auditor General when required.
	Director/Owner	Dunedin Crane Hire	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek prior approval from Office of the Auditor General when required.
	Director/Owner	Wood Recyclers Ltd	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek prior approval from Office of the Auditor General when required.
	Director/Owner	Dunedin Concrete Crushing Ltd	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek prior approval from Office of the Auditor General when required.
	Director/Owner	Anzide Properties Ltd - Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director/Shareholder	The Woodshed 2014 Limited	May contract and provide service to DCC	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If in confidential leave the room. Seek prior approval from Office of the Auditor General when required.
	Owner	Property Ownership - Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Farmlands	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Ravensdown Fertiliser	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	PGG Wrightson	Currently no likely conflict	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Silver Fern Farms	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.

Name	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
	Director/Shareholder	Valley View Development Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Geekfix Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Hall Family Trust, Invercargill	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Director	Milburn Processing Limited	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Chinese Garden Advisory Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Donor of the use of a building free of charge to the group	Fire Brigade Restoration Society	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Financial Donor	Dunedin North Community Patrol	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Donor of the use of a building free of charge to the group	North Dunedin Blokes Shed	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Loan of a four wheel drive truck free of charge to the group for cartage of gravel	Mountainbiking Otago	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Partner	Highland Helicopters	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Cragieburn Reserve Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Aaron Hawkins	Chairperson	Dunedin Fringe Festival	Trust is recipient of DCC grants and a tenant of City Property Management Plan	Withdraw for all Dunedin Fringe Festival Trust and DCC discussions involving this relationship.
	Trustee	West Harbour Beautification Trust	Potential conflict WHBT work with Parks and Reserves to co-ordinate volunteer activities	Withdrawal from all West Harbour Beautification Trust/ DCC discussions involving this relationship.
	Owner	Residential Property Owner - Dunedin	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Creative Dunedin Partnership (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin Public Art Gallery Acquisitions Committee (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Chairperson	Dunedin Refugee Steering Group (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board (Council Appointment)	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Thank You Payroll	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	West Harbour Community Board	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Board Member	Otago Museum Trust Board (Council Appointment)	Duties to Trust may conflict with duties of Council Office. Recipient of Council funding	Withdraw from discussion and leave the table. If the meeting is in confidential, leave the room. Seek advice prior to the meeting.
	Contractor	Freelance copywriting and performance contracts	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	District Licensing Committee	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.



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	Member	ICLEI Oceania Regional Executive	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Green Party	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Susan Schweigman	Volunteer	Dunedin i-Site	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee	Tapestry Trust of New Zealand	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
Peter Smith	Volunteer	Green Hut Track Group	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Trustee and Secretary	Dunedin East Rotary Charitable Trust	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Dunedin East Rotary Club	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Secretary	Civil Service Harriers	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Member	Otago Settlers Association	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Shareholder	Various public companies	No conflict identified.	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.
	Owner	Residential Property Owner Dunedin and Naseby	No conflict identified	Seek advice prior to the meeting if actual or perceived conflict of interest arises.



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## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### TOITŪ OTAGO SETTLERS MUSEUM BOARD MEETING - 20 FEBRUARY 2019

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

**Confirms** the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board meeting held on 20 February 2019 as a correct record.

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## **Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board MINUTES**

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**Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board held in the Otago Settlers Association Board Room, Toitū Otago Settlers Museum, 31 Queens Gardens, Dunedin on Wednesday 20 February 2019, commencing at 9.00 am**

### **PRESENT**

**Chairperson  
Members**

Phil Dowsett  
Cr Rachel Elder  
Cr Aaron Hawkins  
Peter Smith  
Cr Doug Hall  
Susan Schweigman

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Nick Dixon (Group Manager Ara Toi) and Cam McCracken  
(Acting Director Toitū Otago Settlers Museum)

### **Governance Support Officer**

Rebecca Murray

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### **1 APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

### **2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Aaron Hawkins):

That the Board:

**Confirms** the agenda without addition or alteration

**Motion carried (TOSM/2019/001)**

### **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of the need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arose between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Rachel Elder):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Elected or Independent Members' Interest Register.
- b) **Confirms** the proposed management plan for Elected or Independent Members' Interests.

**Motion carried (TOSM/2019/002)**

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 TOITŪ OTAGO SETTLERS MUSEUM BOARD MEETING - 7 NOVEMBER 2018**

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Doug Hall):

That the Board:

**Confirms** the minutes of the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board meeting held on 7 November 2018 as a correct record.

**Motion carried (TOSM/2019/003)**

**REPORTS**

**5 TOITŪ OTAGO SETTLERS MUSEUM ACTIVITY REPORT**

A report covered the activities of Toitū Otago Settlers Museum for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018.

The Acting Director of Toitū Otago Settlers Museum (Cam McCracken) responded to members questions.

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Aaron Hawkins):

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Activity Report.

**Motion carried (TOSM/2019/004)**

The meeting concluded at 9.15 am.

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CHAIRPERSON

## REPORTS

# TOITŪ OTAGO SETTLERS MUSEUM ACTIVITY REPORT

Department: Arts and Culture

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1 This report covers the activities of Toitū Otago Settlers Museum (TOSM) for the period of January – February 2019.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board:

- a) **Notes** the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Activity Report

## BACKGROUND

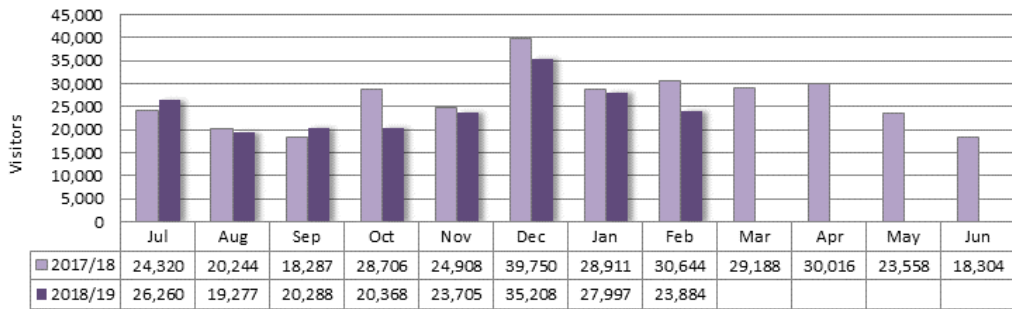
- 2 This report is written for the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board meeting and details the latest activities and KPI performance at the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum and Lan Yuan.

## DISCUSSION

### Visitors

- 3 There were 51,881 visitors to the Museum from 1 January to 28 February 2019. This represents a 7,674 decrease on the same period last year. This shows an overall decrease of 12.9% on the same period last year and an overall decrease of 8.7% year-to-date. However, the Museum visitor trend is set to exceed visitation target this year.

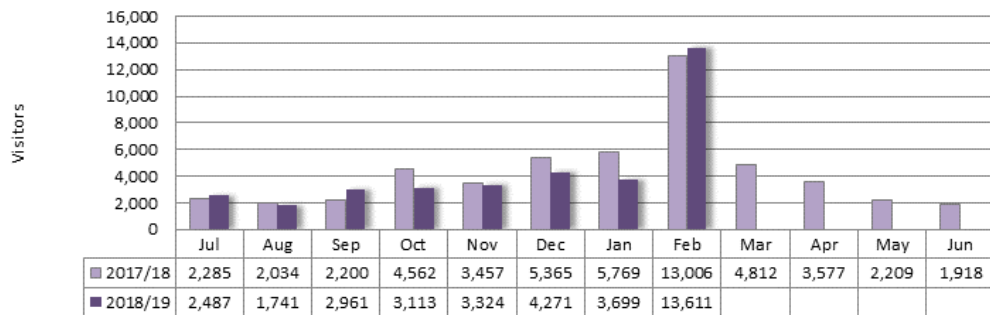
**TOSM Visitor Numbers**



2017/18	24,320	44,564	62,851	91,557	116,465	156,215	185,126	215,770	244,958	274,974	298,532	316,836
2018/19	26,260	45,537	65,825	86,193	109,898	145,106	173,103	196,987				
						<i>Running total</i>						

- 4 There were 17,310 visitors to Lan Yuan the Dunedin Chinese Garden (DCG) from 1 January to 28 February 2019 which is a decrease of 1,465 on the same period last year. This shows an overall decrease of 7.8% on the same period last year and an overall decrease of 8.9% year-to-date. The Garden visitor trend is slightly under target year-to-date.

**Lan Yuan Visitor Numbers**



2017/18	2,285	4,319	6,519	11,081	14,538	19,903	25,672	38,678	43,490	47,067	49,276	51,194
2018/19	2,487	4,228	7,189	10,283	13,607	17,897	21,596	35,207				
						<i>Running total</i>						

**Financial Summary**

	<b>Year to Date 28 February 2019</b>		
	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Toitū Otago Settlers Museum	3,915	3,858	57 F
Lan Yuan	582	538	44 F
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>4,497</b>	<b>4,396</b>	<b>101 F</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Toitū Otago Settlers Museum	3,805	3,901	96 F
Lan Yuan	573	549	(24) U
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>4,378</b>	<b>4,450</b>	<b>72 F</b>

<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>173 F</b>
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5 The financial performance for TOSM / DCG was 173k Favourable.

## Visitor Experience

### Exhibitions

- 6 *Suffrage & Beyond: 1893-2018* – continues to run in the Special Exhibitions Gallery. The exhibition, which was opened by Dame Silvia Cartwright, marks the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women’s suffrage in New Zealand and coincides with the national celebrations organised through the *Suffrage 125* project. The exhibition also explores the progress and change in the lives of women over the ensuing 125 years. Mid-way swap-outs of loan material took place on 18 February. *Suffrage & Beyond: 1893-2018* runs until 28 July 2019.
- 7 *Object.Affection: Dialogues with Ancestors* finished on 10 February 2019 in the NZR ‘Bullnose’ Lounge. This exhibition was collaboration between renowned photographic historian King Tong Ho and members of the local Chinese community. King Tong Ho’s work reflects history through the interface between visuals (photographs) and the contextual (English and Chinese bilingual texts). The exhibition was presented as part of the commemorations of the 2018 Ten year Anniversary of the establishment of Lan Yuan – the Dunedin Chinese Garden.
- 8 Since November 2018 many of the Visitor Experience Team has been working behind the scenes on the Collections legacy projects. These projects include processing the Interim Receipt (IR) donations backlog, cataloguing and reorganising the Costume & Textiles store, and improving and rationalising storage solutions in the large First Floor Collection store. The legacy projects are proceeding extremely well.
- 9 The team continues to work on a number of ongoing swap-outs and updates to displays throughout the Museum; and to prepare for upcoming changes and touring displays.

### Public Programmes

- 10 Seventeen programmes were held for the period with 491 attendees. Programmes attracting the highest number of visitors included *Great Scots, Thomas Burns and His Vision for the City* a talk held in the Auditorium on 3 February; and the annual Waitangi Day tour on 6 February, led by Bill Dacker.

### Education

#### Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom

- 11 The LEOTC programme commenced in February with a total of 838 students visiting. Of those 541 were primary and 297 were secondary students.
- 12 Programmes presented in February included the Treaty of Waitangi; the Otago Chinese history and visits to Lan Yuan the Dunedin Chinese Garden

### Collections Management

- 13 Good progress is being made on the large Collections Legacy project.
- 14 The reorganisation, seismic protection and cataloguing of items in the Large Object Store has been completed.



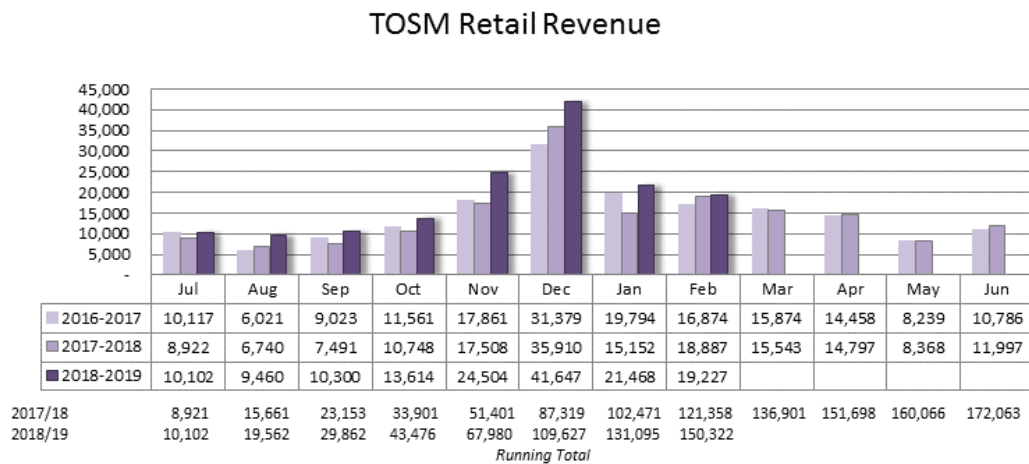
- 15 We have processed many thousands of items into the collection which are part of the six-year backlog which built up after the redevelopment of the Museum in 2013. Currently we have three more years of material to process.
- 16 Archive staff members have been involved in the processing of backlogged donated archival material; the photographic digitization and cataloguing of the Rockliff archive collection; work on archival items for exhibitions and change-outs; and continued work with volunteers in the photographic portrait and photographic album collections.

**Mana Whenua Engagement**

- 17 The Kāi Tahu Liaison Group quarterly meeting was held on 19 February at Toitū Otago Settlers Museum. Whakawātea and Taoka Māori guidelines; Whakapapa panels, Waharoa, Collections and Exhibitions projects were under discussion.

**Commercial Activity**

- 18 There has been an increase in retail revenue for January and February compared to the same period last year.



**Lan Yuan – Dunedin Chinese Garden**

- 19 The Ten-Year Anniversary Scholars’ celebration continued on 12 January with a talk by University of Waikato, Professor Martin Lodge, entitled - *The Shanghai Sessions* which was about the musical collaboration of international composers resulting in the publication of an English /Chinese album. The Scholars Programme culminated on 9 February with University of Canterbury’s Professor Richard Bullen discussing the history of the tea ceremony with, *From China to Japan: The transformation of Taste in Tea Ritual*.
- 20 A successful Chinese New Year was celebrated on 5 February 2019 at DCG in collaboration with the DCC Community Events team. The event commenced with a traditional Dragon Parade from the Octagon to the Garden and members of the public enjoyed entry to the Garden from 6.30pm with a gold coin donation. Chinese Consul-General Wang from Christchurch was joined by Deputy Mayor Chris Staynes, members of the Dunedin Chinese Community, and the wider community for a memorable evening of dragon dance, lion dance, cultural performance, food stalls and fireworks.
- 21 The annual Evening Viewing at DCG on 19 February celebrated the first full moon of the new lunar year. Members of the public enjoyed green tea, Chinese music, and lanterns, at the Garden between 7-10pm. The usual entry fee applied.

- 22 The Dunedin Chinese Garden Advisory Board bi-monthly meeting was held at Toitū Otago Settlers Museum on 11 February 2019.
- 23 For a full description of Activity undertaken during the reporting period please see Attachment A.

**OPTIONS**

- 24 There are no options as this report is for information only.

**NEXT STEPS**

- 25 There are no next steps as this report is for information only.

**Signatories**

Author:	Cam McCracken - Dunedin Public Art Gallery Director
Authoriser:	Nick Dixon - Group Manager Ara Toi Simon Pickford - General Manager Community Services

**Attachments**

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**SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS*****Fit with purpose of Local Government***

This report relates to providing a public service and it is considered good-quality and cost-effective.

***Fit with strategic framework***

	Contributes	Detracts	Not applicable
Social Wellbeing Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Arts and Culture Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Waters Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Spatial Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Integrated Transport Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Parks and Recreation Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other strategic projects/policies/plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The activities in this report support the Arts and Culture, Economic Development and Social Wellbeing Strategies.

***Māori Impact Statement***

There are no known impacts for tangata whenua. The Museum consults with and works closely with the Kāi Tahu Advisory Group.

***Sustainability***

No implications although the principles of sustainability underpins all of the activity of Toitū Otago Settlers Museum and Lan Yuan the Dunedin Chinese Garden.

***LTP/Annual Plan / Financial Strategy /Infrastructure Strategy***

This report is for noting purposes only.

***Financial considerations***

This report is for noting purposes only.

***Significance***

In terms of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, the matters in this report are deemed to be of low significance.

***Engagement – external***

This report is for noting purposes only.

***Engagement - internal***

This report is for noting purposes only.

***Risks: Legal / Health and Safety etc.***

There are no known legal or health and safety risks related to matters in this report.

***Conflict of Interest***

There are no known conflicts of interest.

***Community Boards***

There are no known specific implications for Community Boards.

## **Toitū Otago Settlers Museum**

### **Activities Information**

January – February 2019

### **Visitor Experience**

#### ***Public Programmes***

- 1 Public talks commenced on 13 January in the Museum Auditorium with a presentation from *Citizen Science Girt Scientific Divers* an initiative by Andrew Viduka who is training interested divers in underwater cultural heritage management.
- 2 The annual Robbie Rocks competition was held in the Octagon on 20 January 2019 resulting in Bill Morris winning the Open Section, *Daft Daze* as Youth Section winner and *The Willie Waughts*, as People's Choice Award.
- 3 January children's holiday activities included: *Eye Spy Trail* an invitation to pick up a trail around the Museum and journey through Dunedin's history identifying fascinating objects on the way other activities included Chinese dress-ups and collage were on offer with an invitation to dress-up alongside participating in Chinese themed craft activities.
- 4 Allie Simpson engaged the audience on 19 January with the magic of classical and contemporary storytelling. The children's programme concluded in January with an *Inspired by Dragons*, children's art workshop.
- 5 In February Lantern making workshops were offered ahead of the Chinese New Year festival. Two Harakeke Weaving workshops were held during the month as well the weekly Toddler Time group; and the monthly *Music Saturday* and Otago Settlers Association sponsored *Tuesday Club*.

### **Education**

#### ***Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom (LEOTC)***

- 6 The exhibition, *Suffrage & Beyond: 1893-2018* has been utilised as an excellent education resource along with Origins and Ancestry.

### **Audience Engagement**

#### **TOSM**

##### *Facebook*

- 7 As of 28 February there were 7,515 likes on the Toitu Otago Settlers Museum Facebook page. Popular posts during February included: Toitu Summer Sale with a reach of 4,300; Smith Portrait Gallery, Future stories with a reach of 6,600 and William Valpy with a reach of 3,600.

*Trip Advisor*

8 Toitu Otago Settlers Museum remains at number 1 position of 88 things to do in Dunedin with a total of 1,873 reviews.

Excellent	1,457
Very Good	381
Average	25
Poor	8
Terrible	2

*Reviews*

In February 2019 there were 29 reviews with an average rating of 4.79 out of 5.

9 'Very interesting'

'I really enjoyed this museum even more than the Otago museum. All of the exhibits are on one floor but get a map because it is easy to miss a section. They have a nice cafe and admission is free (suggested donation is \$5).'

5 of 5 stars

Submitted by a visitor from Michigan, USA.

10 'Amazing collection and its completely FREE'

'This was one of the best museums we've visited during our travels, and with it being FREE to the general public there's no reason not to visit. Conveniently nearby to the beautiful Dunedin Train Depot and Chinese Gardens, we were blown away at the historical preservation Dunedin offered. The Settlers Museum has interactive exhibits that discuss the native Maori population, early European migration, the development of Dunedin, life in the southern hemisphere to modern day, and a touching war exhibit of those who have served from the Otago Peninsula.

As a military veteran from the US, I was extremely impressed with the exhibits that paid homage to the men and women who have worn the Kiwi uniform or served in other capacities. While they do not ask for an admission fee, we felt it was appropriate to donate \$5 each for the work and preservation they've done here. My wife and I spent about 90 minutes here, you can easily spend 4 hours or more here if you had unlimited time. I had read many great reviews and articles on this museum, it did not disappoint. Beautifully done Dunedin.'

5 of 5 stars

Submitted by a visitor from Wisconsin, USA.

11 'A great Kiwi museum'

'We spent two and a half hours in the museum. We preferred the information on the history of the settlers rather than the displays of 1950's and 60's gadgets ..probably because we are in our 60's and grew up with them! So the bulk of our visit was concentrated on the first half of the museum.'

5 of 5 stars

Submitted by a visitor from Buckhurst Hill, UK.

*Promotions*

**News Stories:**

Toitu artefact backlog being tackled by two teams

<https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/toitu-artefact-backlog-being-tackled-two-teams>

Dunedin cycle lanes open

<https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/dunedin-cycle-lanes-officially-open>

SH1 cycle lanes to open tomorrow

<https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/sh1-cycle-lanes-officially-opening-tomorrow>

The other side of decluttering

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/southland-times/opinion/110894234/the-other-side-of-decluttering>

Waitangi Day celebrations in Dunedin

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**Lan Yuan the Dunedin Chinese Garden**

*Facebook*

As of 28 February there were 3,905 likes on the Dunedin Chinese Garden Facebook page

Popular posts included: Visiting Scholar's Series with a reach of 1,200, and Evening Viewing with a reach of 3,900.

*Trip Advisor (November)*

12 Dunedin Chinese Garden sits at 17 of 88 things to do in Dunedin

There were a total of 435 reviews.

Excellent	205
Very Good	150
Average	58
Poor	21
Terrible	7

*Reviews*

In February 2019 there were 6 reviews with an average rating of 3.5 out of 5.

13 'A garden with a difference'

'Right in the middle of the city. this is worth a visit. It doesn't cover a large area, but is certainly not what we expected to see in Dunedin.'

4 of 5 stars

Submitted by a visitor from Edinburgh, UK

14 'Recommend'

'Visited with a friend. Tranquil, peaceful, balanced. Created over 10 years ago. Recommend visiting second floor information room and watching a video on history of Chinese community in Otago. Surprisingly good deal for tea/yam cha combo at tea house Will come back'

5 of 5 stars

Submitted by a visitor from Manila, Philippines

*Promotions*

- A new Chinese Garden logo has been developed and templates are currently being created, for roll out. We will expect to see this rolled out in marketing material and the website in April.
- Chinese language Dunedin city maps featuring the Chinese Garden have been delivered to visitor points of interest.
- A venue advertisement has been placed in the New Zealand Bride and Groom magazine.
- Marketing campaigns for Chinese New Year and Evening Viewing event was rolled out.
- Weekly adverts showcasing events at the Garden were placed in the Otago Daily Times Mix.