
Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Board

MINUTES

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 11 February 2026, commencing at 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mr Phil Dowsett

Members Cr Doug Hall Cr Benedict Ong
Mr Peter Smith Ms Moira Styles
Cr Brent Weatherall

IN ATTENDANCE Cam McCracken, Director - Dpag, Toitū, Lan Yuan and Olveston

Governance Support Officer Jean Cockram

1 APOLOGIES

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Doug Hall):

That the Committee:

Accepts the apology from Cr Brent Weatherall for late arrival.

Motion carried

2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Doug Hall):

That the Committee:

Confirms the agenda without addition or alteration.

Motion carried

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.

Ms Moira Styles declared an interest in a Dunedin residential property and membership of the Otago Settlers Association and the Friends of the Library.

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Mr Peter Smith):

That the Board:

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

Motion carried

REPORTS

4 TOITŪ OTAGO SETTLERS MUSEUM ACTIVITY REPORT

A report from Arts and Culture provided an update on the activities of Toitū Otago Settlers Museum (Toitū) from 1 July to 30 September 2025.

Cam McCracken, Director Toitū, DPAG and Olveston, spoke to the report and responded to questions.

Cr Brent Weatherall entered the meeting at 9.42am.

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Cr Brent Weatherall):

That the Board:

Notes the Toitū Otago Settlers Museum Activity Report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2025.

Motion carried

5 MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2026

Moved (Mr Phil Dowsett/Mr Peter Smith):

That the Board:

Approves the meeting schedule for 2026.

Motion carried

The meeting concluded at 10.40am.

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CHAIRPERSON