

Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee AGENDA

Notice of Meeting:

An ordinary meeting of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee will be held on:

Date: 27 March 2019
Time: 10am
Venue: Akaroa Boardroom, 78 Rue Lavaud, Akaroa

Membership

Chairperson	Pam Richardson - Banks Peninsula Community Board Representative
Members	Janis Haley - Banks Peninsula Community Board Representative
	David Miller - Friends of the Museum (FOAM)
	Sue Crow - Friends of the Museum (FOAM)
	Meri Robinson - Onuku Rūnanga

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Strategic Framework

The Council's Vision – Christchurch is a city of opportunity for all.

Open to new ideas, new people and new ways of doing things – a city where anything is possible.

Whiria ngā whenu o ngā papa Honoa ki te maurua tāukiuki

Bind together the strands of each mat
And join together with the seams of respect
and reciprocity.

The partnership with Papatipu Rūnanga
reflects mutual understanding and respect,
and a goal of improving the economic,
cultural, environmental and social
wellbeing for all.

Overarching Principle

Partnership – Our
people are our taonga
– to be treasured and
encouraged. By working
together we can create
a city that uses their
skill and talent, where
we can all participate,
and be valued.

Supporting Principles

Accountability	Collaboration
Affordability	Prudent Financial Management
Agility	Stewardship
Equity	Wellbeing and resilience
Innovation	Trust

Community Outcomes

What we want to achieve together as our city evolves

Strong communities

Strong sense of
community
Active participation in
civic life
Safe and healthy
communities
Celebration of our
identity through arts,
culture, heritage and
sport
Valuing the voices of
children and young
people

Liveable city

Vibrant and thriving
central city, suburban
and rural centres
A well connected and
accessible city
Sufficient supply of, and
access to, a range of
housing
21st century garden city
we are proud to live in

Healthy environment

Healthy waterways
High quality drinking
water
Unique landscapes and
indigenous biodiversity
are valued
Sustainable use of
resources

Prosperous economy

Great place for people,
business and investment
An inclusive, equitable
economy with broad-
based prosperity for all
A productive, adaptive
and resilient economic
base
Modern and robust
city infrastructure and
community facilities

Strategic Priorities

Our focus for improvement over the next three years and beyond

Enabling active citizenship and connected
communities

Maximising opportunities to develop a vibrant,
prosperous and sustainable 21st century city

Climate change
leadership

Informed and proactive
approaches to natural
hazard risks

Increasing active, public
and shared transport
opportunities and use

Safe and sustainable
water supply and
improved waterways

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1. Apologies

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

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and 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.

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

That the minutes of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee meeting held on [Wednesday, 28 November 2018](#) be confirmed (refer page 5).

4. Deputations by Appointment

There were no deputations by appointment at the time the agenda was prepared.

Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee OPEN MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 28 November 2018
Time: 10am
Venue: Akaroa Boardroom, 78 Rue Lavaud, Akaroa

Present

Members

Pam Richardson - Banks Peninsula Community Board Representative
Janis Haley - Banks Peninsula Community Board Representative
David Miller - Friends of the Museum (FOAM)
Sue Crow - Friends of the Museum (FOAM)

28 November 2018

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- Part A** **Matters Requiring a Council Decision**
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The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies

Part C

There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest

Part B

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Part C

The minutes of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 27 June 2018 were noted.

4. Deputations by Appointment

Part B

There were no deputations by appointment.

5. Akaroa Museum Directors Update

Committee Comment

The Committee discussed visitor numbers to the Museum and to Akaroa in general, and noted that there is a lack of any significant data in this area.

The Committee noted its support for the work of the Community Board in trying to get some strategic visitor planning in place for Akaroa, including visitor counts and projections.

Committee Resolved AMA/2018/00002

Part C

That the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Akaroa Museum Director's Update.

Janis Haley/Pam Richardson

Carried

6. Friends of Akaroa Museum (FOAM) - President's Update

Part B

The Committee received the information in the Friends of Akaroa Museum President's Update.

7. Committee Members' Exchange of Information

Part B

7.1 Waitangi Day 2019

It was reported that Ōnuku would be hosting the Ngāi Tahu celebrations for Waitangi Day 2019, at which the Governor General would be present.

Meeting concluded 10.47am.

CONFIRMED THIS 27th DAY OF MARCH 2019

5. Akaroa Museum Director's Update

Reference: 19/287152

Presenter(s): Lynda Wallace - Akaroa Museum Director

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report (**attached**) is to update the committee on the activities and events of the Akaroa Museum.

2. Staff Recommendations

That the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee:

1. Receive the information in the Akaroa Museum Director's Update.

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Confirmation of Statutory Compliance

Compliance with Statutory Decision-making Requirements (ss 76 - 81 Local Government Act 2002).

(a) This report contains:

- (i) sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
- (ii) adequate consideration of the views and preferences of affected and interested persons bearing in mind any proposed or previous community engagement.

(b) The information reflects the level of significance of the matters covered by the report, as determined in accordance with the Council's significance and engagement policy.

Signatories

Author	Lynda Wallace - Museum Director - Akaroa
Approved By	Blair Jackson - Director Art Gallery

#. AKAROA MUSEUM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE -

#.1 VISITORS

Visitor numbers

This has been a record-breaking summer for visitors to the Museum. At the end of February, almost as many people had visited the Museum as during the whole year last year. By the end of June it is expected that close to 40,000 people will have passed through the Museum's doors.

A high proportion are visitors from the growing number of cruise ships coming in to Akaroa during the summer months. To the end of February, almost 11,000 of the Museum's 30,000 visitors have been cruise ship passengers.

With the new cruise berth planned to open in Lyttelton in 2020, the majority of large cruise ships are expected to return to that port and there will be a corresponding drop in visitor numbers at the Museum.

Visitor feedback

This has been the Museum's first summer with all galleries refitted and reopened, so the feedback from visitors has been keenly anticipated. The visitors' book provides a snapshot of the international makeup of visitors, their (translated) comments ranging from "so cute" and "very beautiful" to "passionately moving". Trip Advisor comments are more detailed and include "This is one of the best regional museums I have visited . . . The people who created this have passion and have been able to portray the history of the area in an atmospheric, totally enjoyable way. It is a little gem." Akaroa Museum's overall rating on Trip Advisor is now at five stars.

Special interest groups

Among the special interest groups visiting the Museum during the past few months have been the Friends of Christchurch Art Gallery, numerous Road Scholars groups and the annual influx of school groups from all over Canterbury. An extended family gathering for a wedding recently brought 22 people into the Museum at once, to view the Donald McKay exhibition. Their family farm features in many of Don's photographs.

National visitor survey

For seven days during March, the Museum participated in the Museums Aotearoa national visitor survey, asking more than 70 visitors about their experience in the Museum. Individual museum's data contributes to a national picture of museum and gallery visitation, with each participating museum or gallery receiving an analysis of its own survey results.

#.2 EXHIBITIONS

Temporary exhibitions

A Photographer's Eye – Donald McKay's 1950s, the Museum's summer exhibition, opened on 7 December and has proved very popular with visitors. People who grew up on the Peninsula but have now moved away are especially moved by the photographs which document a past way of life, now just on the edges of living memory. One visitor, who was brought up in Le Bons Bay, said "The exhibition was very emotional for me, seeing the very essence of people that I adored, distilled into a single image. Don clearly is a master at telling a story with a photograph."

In May, *A Photographer's Eye* will be replaced by a selection of costume from the June Hay collection, showing her transition from a young single woman to a Peninsula farmer's wife.

#.3 COLLECTIONS

Recent acquisitions

The Museum has been working with the Christchurch Art Gallery on the joint acquisition of a very significant piece of furniture carved by J. H. Menzies. Since the Museum lacks an acquisition fund, the Friends of Akaroa Museum has made funds available for the Museum's share of the purchase cost. Full details will be announced over the next few months.

Loans

Three of Akaroa Museum's photographs currently feature in an exhibition at the Christchurch Art Gallery, *Hidden Light*. Some of the earliest (and possibly the first) photographs taken in Canterbury were made in Akaroa and curator Ken Hall's inclusion of these three photographs serves as a reminder of Akaroa's status as the "cradle of Canterbury".

#.4 EVENTS, COLLABORATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Department of Conservation

The Museum's collaboration with the Department of Conservation, to share with the public underwater footage of marine species from various locations around the Peninsula, is drawing an audience that would not normally visit the Museum. Locals and recreational fishers have a natural curiosity about the number and types of fish to be found locally.

Seaweek

Working with the history students at Akaroa Area School, a Seaweek event was held in the Court House on 2nd March, presenting stories and poetry on the subject of shipwrecks and storms.

6. Friends of Akaroa Museum (FOAM) - Presidents Update

Reference: 19/323486

Presenter(s): David Miller – President, Friends of Akaroa Museum

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report (attached) is to update the Committee on the activities and events of the Friends of the Akaroa Museum.

2. Staff Recommendations

That the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee receive the information in the Friends of Akaroa Museum President's Update.

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BANKS PENINSULA COMMUNITY BOARD
AKAROA MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FRIENDS OF AKAROA MUSEUM (FOAM) PRESIDENT'S UPDATE March 2019

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

1. Recognition of FOAM Patron, Elizabeth Haylock.

FOAM founder and Patron **Elizabeth Haylock** was awarded the Queen's Service Medal in the New Year's Honours 2019, in recognition of her selfless and tireless voluntary work with the RSA and FOAM and many other community groups and events.

We are extremely proud of Liz and offer her our continuing gratitude and warmest congratulations for this recognition. Akaroa's heritage would be much diminished without her energy and efficacy.

2. Oral History Project.

The Oral History Project recently held a comprehensive review of prospective interviewees and interviewers, to ensure that any proposed interviews would be done on time and in the context of a clear administrative pathway; all prospective interviewers are now very clear of the expectations on them! Grateful thanks to **Paddy Stronach** for keeping us on track.

Administration and standardised filing of all prior interviews, abstracts, disks and any relevant additional material is now done. FOAM is indebted to **Carole Francis-Miller** and **Lynette Curry** for their outstanding work and outcome.

3. Paving for Posterity.

The third Tranche of paving stones is now awaiting being laid outside the front doors of the Museum – grateful thanks to **Jonny O'Keefe** once again. The three tranches of engraved paving stones have become a beautiful addition to the Museum environment and have raised a total of \$22,700, leaving total profit for FOAM of \$17,150 after costs, so far.

We will be extending the project to local businesses in the coming days.

4. FOAM Antiques Fair.

The **Antiques Fair, 29-30 December 2018**, was held at The Gaiety. The event was a success once again, and our grateful thanks as always to **Liz Haylock, Nigel Harrison, Victoria Andrews, John Harding**, all FOAM volunteers who helped make it so and to the vendors who continue to support the FOAM Antiques Fair year after year.

5. FOAM Support for Recent Museum Acquisitions

FOAM has provided very significant financial support to the Museum to enable the purchase - in partnership with the Christchurch Art Gallery - of a very significant piece of furniture carved by J. H. Menzies. In the absence of an acquisition fund, financial support from the Friends of Akaroa Museum has proven to be essential. We are very proud to have contributed 35 percent of the cost of the purchase, the funds being employed for the actual acquisition and for local freight, border inspection/fumigation and conservator's fees.

Dr David Miller
FOAM President
21 March 2019

7. Committee Members' Exchange of Information

This item provides an opportunity for Committee Members to update each other on recent events and/or issues of relevance and interest to the Committee.