

# AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD

# AKAROA MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

# **MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2009**

# 2PM

# IN THE BOARD ROOM, AKAROA SERVICE CENTRE 78 RUE LAVAUD, AKAROA

Committee: Pam Richardson - Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board representative

Jane Chetwynd and Liz Haylock - Friends of the Museum representatives (FOAM)

Victoria Andrews - Community representative Meri Robinson - Onuku Runanga representative

Stewart Miller - Chairman Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board - ex-officio

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# 1. APOLOGIES

# 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 28 SEPTEMBER 2009

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 28 September 2009 are **attached** for members' information. The Akaroa Wairewa Community Board received these minutes at its meeting held on 11 November 2009, and made the following alteration:

Item 4, first bullet point to read - "Proposed Extension to Museum's Art Collection".

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee held on 28 September 2009 be received.

#### 3. AKAROA MUSEUM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

#### 3.1 VISITORS

Visitor numbers for the first third of the year have been strong, about 11% up on last year. Total visitors for the July - October period were 4,004.

#### 3.2 EXHIBITIONS

**Mystery and Delight** opened on 23 October and is attracting a lot of local interest. Residents are enjoying the opportunity to be reminded of how Akaroa looked 40 years ago. The exhibition received its "official" opening on Saturday 14 November, on the occasion of the Akaroa Civic Trust's AGM, and fortieth birthday party.

Development and production details of **Nga Roimata o Takapunkeke** continue, as we aim to have all aspects of the exhibition in hand before Christmas.

#### 3.3 COLLECTIONS

#### **Temporary storage**

Collections previously housed in the workroom/storeroom have recently been moved to temporary storage to ensure they are safe and secure while our new store is connected to the existing building.

#### 3.4 PROJECTS

#### Re-roofing of Langlois-Eteveneaux Cottage

City Care is undertaking the re-roofing of the French Cottage, with old shingles having been removed and some repair work being carried out. Ian Bowman, our conservation architect, is being consulted on details. The cottage is closed to our visitors for the duration of the contract, in the interests of safety. Collections within the building have been protected with dust sheets.

#### Museum shop re-fit

Despite some delays, it is still hoped to have new shop shelving installed before Christmas and our busy summer season.

#### New store

Good progress is being made on our new store, with the roof having been completed by Show Weekend. An associated job, the re-paving and new ramp to the front of the Museum, has been completed. A formal opening for the building will occur in the early part of 2010.

#### 3.5 OTHER

#### **Okains Bay Museum**

Two Akaroa Museum staff recently attended an event at the Okains Bay Museum, for the opening of a new machinery shed, a talk by Dr Rodney Wilson (retiring Okains Bay Museum board member) and a look behind the scenes at the Maori taonga store. The visit highlighted both the differences in our operations, and the goals we have in common.

# "French Akaroa" to be reprinted

Peter Tremewan is currently finalising the details of his revision of "French Akaroa", first published in 1990, and the definitive history of Akaroa's early years of European settlement. The Museum has been assisting Peter with the provision of photographs for use in the revised edition, due out soon.

#### 3.6 EVENTS

Friends of the Museum Christmas function, Gaiety Supper Room,

Friday 18 December 2009 - 6.30pm.

Friends of the Museum Antique Fair, The Gaiety,

Saturday 2 January 2010.

#### 30. 11. 2009

Takapuneke Historical Reserve Celebration of Reserve,

Friday 5 February 2010 - 10am.

Waitangi Day Commemoration Onuku Marae,

Saturday 6 February 2010 - 9am for powhiri.

Shackleton Lantern Slide Lecture Akaroa Museum,

Sunday 7 March 2010 - time to be advised.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum Director's update be received.

#### 4. FRIENDS OF AKAROA MUSEUM - PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

#### 4.1 MUSEUM'S ART COLLECTION

Representatives of the Art subgroup of the Friends have met with the Museum Director to further develop the next steps of this project.

#### 4.2 GARDEN OF TANE

The Friends appeared before the Hearing Panel in September and look forward to the outcome of its deliberations and the subsequent adoption of a management Plan for the Garden of Tane.

#### 4.3 ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Work is progressing with the oral history project.

#### 4.4 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Friends was held on Friday 25 September 2009.

#### 4.5 CHRISTMAS FUNCTION

The Christmas function for the Friends will be held at The Gaiety on Friday 18 December 2009.

#### 4.6 FUND RAISING

The major fund raising event in the Friends' calendar is the Antiques Fair which will be held at The Gaiety on Saturday 2 January 2010.

#### 4.7 NEW PROJECTS

At the November meeting of the executive the Friends discussed new projects which may be undertaken in the future.

# 4.8 BRITOMART MEMORIAL

At the November meeting of the executive the Friends expressed concern at the safety and security of the Britomart Memorial following recent road works and slip repairs undertaken on the area of Beach Road beneath it. They have written to the Community Board expressing these concerns.

# JANE CHETWYND, PRESIDENT.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Friends of Akaroa Museum, President's update be received.

#### 5. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

#### 5.1 MEETING SCHEDULE 2010

It is proposed to follow the same format for meetings in 2010 as has evolved for the 2009 meetings; that is, for the Committee to meet quarterly at 2.30pm on the fourth Monday.

The meeting schedule only needs to be set up until September, as the triennial local authority elections will be held on 9 October 2010.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee adopt the following schedule for its meetings in 2010:

Monday 22 March - 2.30pm Akaroa Service Centre Monday 28 June - 2.30pm Akaroa Service Centre Monday 27 September - 2.30pm Akaroa Service Centre

#### 6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION