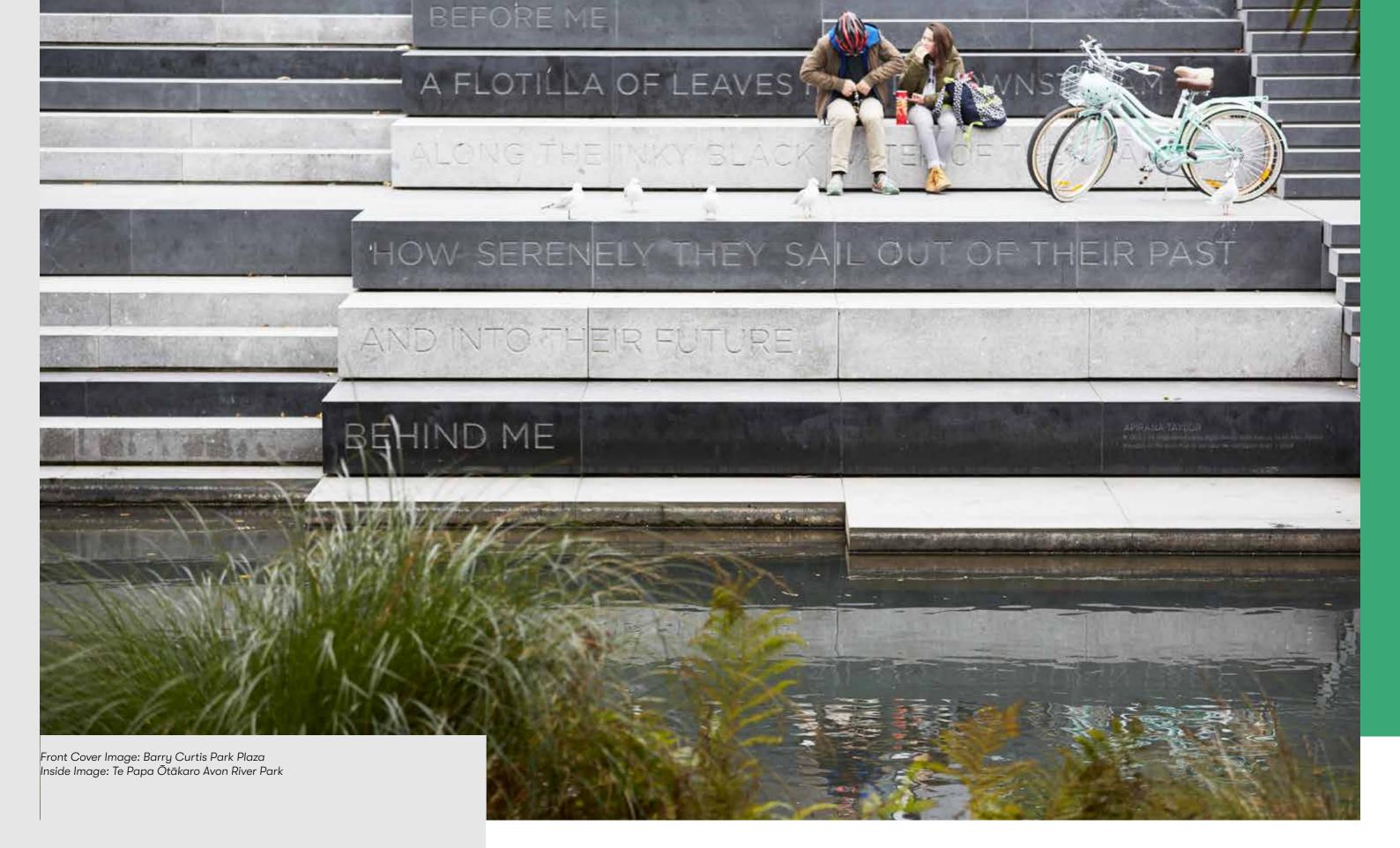
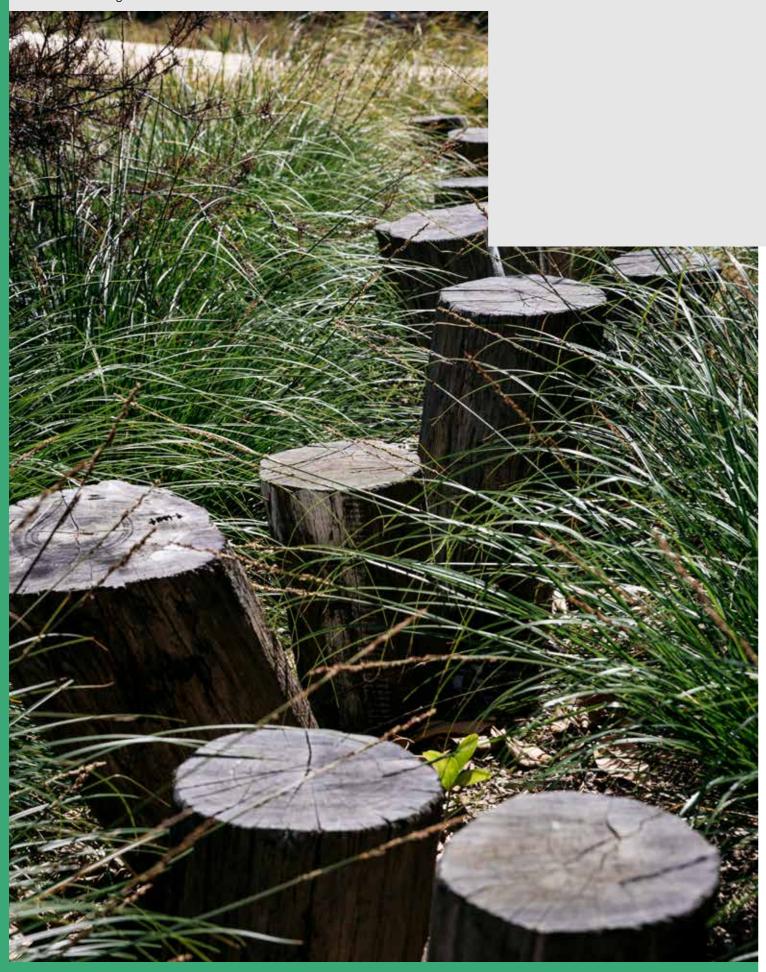
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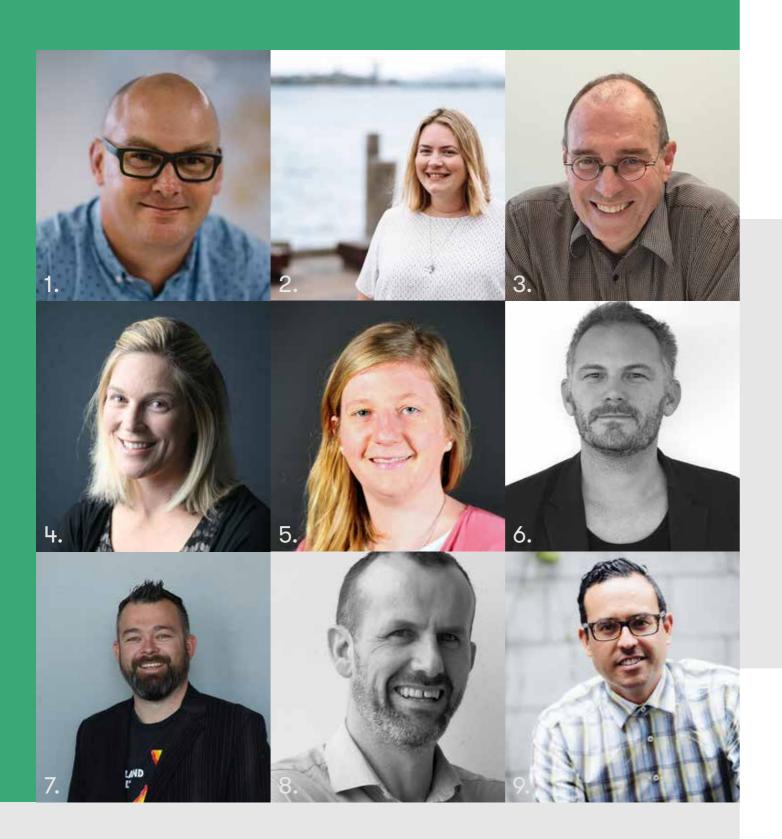






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# Executive Committee & Support

Executive Committee: 1. Brad Coombs, President
2. Julia Wick, Vice President 3. John Brenkley, Honorary
Secretary 4. Rebecca Ryder, Treasurer 5. Megan Ash
6. Henry Crothers 7. Don Royds 8. Mark Fletcher

9. Damian Powley (TTNA)

Support: 10. Neil Challenger, Registration Panel Chair

- 11. Melean Absolum, Accreditation Panel Chair
- 12. Mike Barthelmeh, IFLA Delegate
- 13. Robin Rawson, CPD Registrar





CONFERENCE

300+

Conference delegates \$100k sponsorship from 28 sponsors. 6 International speakers and 23 local

AWARDS

35

Resene New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architecture Awards presented SPEAKER SERIES

500+

Attendees in 4 centres for the Inaugural Streetscape Speaker Series. Hosting Catherine Mosbach from Paris.

> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AOTEAROA

216

Articles generated 40,000 visits to the website and a database of 2,000 subscribers

**MEMBERSHIP** 

622

Full members
34 new registered members

recognition

Life membership - Ross Jackson Fellowship - Dr Jacky Bowring Fellowship - Ralph Johns FINANCIAL

\$61Kprofi

\$36,400 advertising revenue \$275k membership subs received \$21,899 redistributed to branches in levies Branch accounts centralised

thanks

Inaugural President's Cocktail Evening event held to thank volunteers



Image: Garden Shed Living Roof Photo by Zoë Avery

# President

**BRAD COOMBS** 

#### Kia ora e te whanau, Nga mihi o te ra.

2019 was a very busy year for the NZILA Tuia Pito Ora.

We ran a number of events for our members for the first time and we also changed some things around to make life interesting.

We held our inaugural Presidents Cocktail Evening in Tāmaki Makaurau on 4 April. This was the first time that we bought together all of the volunteers to thank them for their time throughout the year and to celebrate our new Fellows and Registered Members. Ralph Johns and Professor Jacky Bowring both received Fellowships for their contribution to the profession and we welcomed our new Registered members. With about 60 people gathering to celebrate I got exactly the response I was hoping for after the event was featured on LAA: our members asking me how they can get an invite to the Presidents Function. My answer was get involved! I had a great time and so did those that were there. Thanks to MHL for your generous sponsorship and we look forward to the next Presidents Function.

The NZILA Streetscape Speaker Series 2019 Catherine Mosbach lectures were hosted in late July and early August. Another successful inaugural event for us. Almost 500 people from the Institute and the general public packed out lectures in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington and Christchurch. Thanks again to Streetscape for your generous sponsorship and to all of the NZILA members and Branches that were involved in hosting the speaker series. The inaugural speaker series was very successful in all respects and we are hoping to make it an annual event on our calendar.

The 2019 Firth NZILA Conference DISRUPTION whakahīoi was moved to November in Ōtautahi to partner with

the Lincoln University 50-year celebrations. The events complemented each other nicely and we saw 300 delegates turn out for the Conference. The theme of the conference, DISRUPTION whakahīoi, in conjunction with the calibre of the international and local speakers represents a step change in the quality of our conference events. The profession and the Institute should be very proud. Thank you again to our Creative Committee led by Don Royds and to our event organisers for delivering what has been described to me as one of our 'landmark' conferences. At the end of the conference I was inspired, proud and exhausted, in equal measure.

The 2019 Firth NZILA Conference DISRUPTION whakahīoi was the highlight of 2019 for me.

During 2019 I was privileged to represent the NZILA at three overseas events.

I spent some time in early July judging the Singapore Institute of Landscape Architects (SILA) 2019 awards. It was a quick trip to Singapore for the on-site judging day on 20 July, where we looked at 9 projects and covered half of the country in one day. It was fascinating to experience the best design work in a completely different cultural and ecological context and to spend some time with our Singaporean colleagues.

In September there was a quick trip to Chengdu China, where Renee Davies and I were invited by the Chinese Society of Landscape Architects to give a presentation at the 2nd Park City Symposium. Chengdu has become the poster city in China for the integration of parks and natural environments into the fast-developing Tianfu new town urban expansion area.

As an invited guest I attended the International Festival of Landscape Architecture by AILA in Melbourne as part of our MOU agreement which provides for the leaders of each Institute to attend each other's annual conferences.

The Park and Square theme of the conference focused on well used public spaces and was hosted in one of the best-known public spaces in Australia – Federation Square. At the Festival AlLA confirmed their declaration of a Climate Change and Biodiversity Emergency and held an 'activation' in Federation Square which generated a fair bit of interest and publicity. The Festival was very well attended, and it was good to see a number of our members enjoying the excellent line up of international speakers.

Wherever I have travelled in my duties as President of NZILA Tuia Pito Ora I am always proud of the quality of the work that we do and how it measures up against the rest of the Asia Pacific Rim chapter of IFLA.

We continued to strengthen our relationship with Te Tau-a-Nuku in 2019, through hui and korero, as we have with allied professional institutes including the NZIA, RMLA, AILA (as above) and the Tāmaki Makaurau Design Alliance.

The Landscape Architecture Aotearoa (LAA) website continues to be the electronic magazine for our profession and has helped us to find our voice, from profiling our best and brightest people and projects to opinions and articles on key issues facing the profession and the landscapes of Aotearoa. 216 articles in 2019 generated 40,000 visits and we have 2,000 subscribers.

Our two strategic projects the Landscape Guidelines and the Governance Project have made slow but steady progress. Thanks to Gavin Lister and Rachel de Lambert who have worked with Te Tau a Nuku to ensure that a Te ao Maori perspective is incorporated into the landscape guidelines. We are all looking forward to seeing a draft available for discussion and review by the profession very soon.

The Governance Group met late in 2019 and we are looking at sharing where we have got to with the Branches very soon. Thanks again to those that have been involved.

We currently have 622 paying members and we welcomed a record 34 new Registered members in 2019.

This AGM marks the midway point for the term of this Executive Committee. Thank you to our Executive Julia Wick, Rebecca Ryder, John Brenkley, Henry Crothers, Don Royds, Megan Ash and Mark Fletcher. I am enjoying working with you all on the business of the Institute.

The NZILA Tuia Pito Ora and our profession in general are well placed to lead conversations about many of the pressures currently facing Aotearoa and the world: urban change and growth, our growing networks of transport infrastructure, coastal edge resilience and rural landscape change. I encourage you all to get involved in these conversations and to find your voice.

Lastly, while the current situation has taken its' toll on us outside of the 2019 year, we come together for this AGM with considerable uncertainty around the future as we start our recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. As a profession we can help our clients to communicate, collaborate, design and build a better world. A new way of thinking and working. Many of our clients will be uncertain too. Let's lead the conversation on what a positive and healthy response looks like for the design and management of our public spaces.

He waka eke noa,

A waka we are all in together.

Ma te wa



Below left: New registered members, Paul Smith, Alexander Smith, Blair Clinch, Amy Collingbourne, Brennan Baxley, Ethan Reid and James Pattullo. Below right: New Fellows Ralph Johns and Jacky Bowring, NZILA President Brad Coombs centre.

# President's Cocktail Evening

The inaugural New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora President's cocktail evening, sponsored by MHL, was an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate new fellows, newly registered members and dedicated volunteers. Attendees agreed it was an excellent opportunity to network and catch up with others in the profession, and find out what's happening outside their patch.

The work of NZILA volunteers - of which there are around 60 - was also toasted, as was the New Years Honour of stalwart, Di Lucas.

"Diane Jean Lucas, as her citation reads, was recognised for her contribution to conservation," Coombs told those gathered. "I think Di's passion and unwavering energy for the conservation cause was nicely encapsulated in our text message exchange at 7:30am on 31 December, when I text her to congratulate her for her honours, and she responded with 'I'm not done yet'. And I can tell you that she's not either. Di continues to provide me with valuable guidance and advice in relation to the important issues that our landscapes are facing."

New registered members were presented with their certificates; Alexander Smith, Amy Collingbourne, Blair Clinch, Brennan Baxley, Ethan Reid, James Pattullo and Paul Smith.

Jacky Bowring and Ralph Johns were presented with Fellowship Awards.





#### Resene New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architecture Awards 2019

An eagerly anticipated event on the NZILA calendar, the Resene New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architecture Awards was held in Ōtautahi on Friday 8th November 2019 at the Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna o Waiwhetū.

Overall there were 86 entries to the 2019 awards programme, with 32 projects being awarded on the night. The Awards dinner was attended by 172, including a number of the international speakers from the conference, Deputy Mayor Andrew Turner and John Bridgman, Chief Executive of Ōtākaro Ltd.

The format for the 2019 awards followed closely on from the 2017 awards format that was development by the working group. However, the 2019 awards included the additional categories of; Playgrounds and Landscape Management, bringing the total number of categories to 20.

The Jury for 2019 consisted of;

- Frank Boffa (Head Judge)
- Jacky Bowring (Head Judge)
- Helen Preston Jones
- Paddy Baxter
- Peter Kensington
- Kate Males
- Stuart Dunn
- Paul Roper Gee
- Megan McBain
- Kara Scott (Te Tau a Nuku Representative)
- George Woolford (Te Tau a Nuku Representative)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Jury for their time and enthusiasm for the 2019 awards. With a number of hours spend reviewing awards entries and citation writing.

#### Winners and Marketing

NZILA again added to the marketing of the NZILA awards winners. With articles on Landscape Architecture Aotearoa, NZ Media outlets and media mentions. Videos have been made for all the category winners and shared on social networking channels.

Overall the marketing response to the awards was positive and represented a real 'step up' in output and mentions from previous years. As ever NZILA seeks to improve the level of marketing undertaken around the awards to create more presence in and external to our industry. Bear with us, media output of this scale takes time and considerable budget – but we are working on it.

#### Sponsorship

The Awards dinner is made possible through the generous sponsorship of Resene (naming rights sponsor) and Playground Centre (dinner sponsor). I would like to extend our thanks to Resene and Playground Centre for their continued and ongoing support of this event.

#### Learnings for the 2020 review

Thankyou to the awards working group for their time and input in the revised awards process. Throughout 2019 they were called upon to clarify certain elements of the awards process.

# **Vice President**

**JULIA WICK** 

The Awards working group included:

- Mike Thomas
- Rebecca Jerram
- David McKenzie
- Jan Woodhouse
- Emma Taylor
- Megan WraightDamian Powley

#### **Awards Convenor**

Jan Broadley (NinJan Promotions) was again selected as an awards convenor for 2020. Jan worked closely with the awards working group, COO, selected judges and executive committee. The awards were very successful and good feedback was received from the membership.

#### Learnings for the 2020

Extensive feedback was received via the membership and Jury during and after the awards process. Whilst some of the feedback was process related, some of the feedback was in relation to the awards structure and process. Whilst on the majority positive, some items were raised that were considered to further improve the Awards process.

This feedback whilst extensive included refinement of;

- The judging criteria for the categories to enable a less generic approach
- The Landscape Planning categories and judging criteria
- Jury refinement including numbers and process around site visits
- Ability / how to encourage smaller firms to enter the awards.

I am currently in the process of reviewing this feedback, along with members of the Jury to enable a more streamlined and ever improving awards format.

The next awards programme will open for entry in late 2021 with the awards dinner being held in 2022, to coincide with the institute's 50th year celebrations.

#### Thankyou ... and looking forwards to 2020

I would like to thank all the people mentioned in my report for their help, guidance and input. I would also like to thank Vicki and the Fusion Communications team for the ongoing support. Vicki's in-depth knowledge of systems and processes within the NZILA is outstanding and totally speeds up the process of me getting anything done.

#### References

Full list of 2019 Award winners here.

2019 Awards evening - photographs here.



Resene New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architecture Awards 2019





# Honorary Secretary

#### Accreditation

The Victoria University Bachelor of Architectural Studies – BAS (Landscape Architecture) leading to Master of Landscape Architecture MLA programme has been granted accreditation in accordance with the NZILA Accreditation Procedures 2016, until the year 2024, subject to satisfactory self-evaluation through the annual reporting process.

The Accreditation Panel will be assessing United BLA in 2020 subject to limitations of the Covid 19 restrictions.

Apart from the covering letter and report relating to the Victoria University accreditation, Chair of the Accreditation Panel Melean Absolum has provided a summary of issues to consider. The Panel suggests that a minor review of the Education Policy would be beneficial. The Panel believe that any such review should not come into effect until after the current round of Panel visits. This will ensure that all three education providers each have the opportunity to experience the accreditation process once under the 2016 Policy as currently written. This would mean that any adjustments to the existing Policy and Standards should come into effect after the accreditation visit to Lincoln University in 2021.

The issues the Panel recommend need to be addressed in the Education Policy review are:

- the need to strengthen the kaupapa Maori assessment criteria;
- the need to formally add a Maori specialist to the Panel, rather than an advisor to the Panel; (This has already been actioned)
- the timing of the provision of the Annual Report because the end of February date gives the accreditation panel no data on current year staffing and student numbers;

 the need to separate out the different components of the 'Education Outcomes' performance criteria, (particularly C-31) so that they can be separately identified, both in material prepared by the education providers and in the accreditation panel's Review Reports.

#### **Election of Fellows**

A message was sent to the membership calling for nominations for Fellows on 6 August 2019 with a supporting document to provide context. A link was provided to the Policy and Nomination Forms. One nomination was received. The 2019 Fellowship Panel assessed the application and recommended that the nominee be elected as Fellow of the New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora.

#### Review of the Fellowship, Life and Honorary Fellowship Process

A Working Group is to be set up to review the Fellowship, Life and Honorary Fellowship Process. The Working Group will review the eligibility criteria, the nomination process and whether it is effective in its current form. The Working Group will also review how the Assessment Panel is selected, how many people should be on the Panel and the confidentiality of the process. The NZIA will be approached to share their expertise in this area and if appropriate nominate a member from their organisation to be part of the Working Group.

# Archives Project - managed by Shona McCahon Digitising

All AGM papers (1973-2005) and executive meeting minutes (1973-2008) were scanned, added to the PastPerfect database and made available for uploading to the NZILA website. Scanning old and new financial records has become a routine annual task

#### Oral history access and publication

It has been difficult to find a feasible way of publishing the oral history interviews online in a way that mean NZILA could retain some control of access (thereby complying with the restrictions placed on a number of the interviews.) The oral history interviews, while interesting, are long and were not intended for online publication when recorded. Shona created 17 short audio excerpts (with permission where required) and accompanying introductory text for upload to the Lincoln University 'Living Heritage' section of its website. This was part of marking the School of Landscape Architecture 50th anniversary.

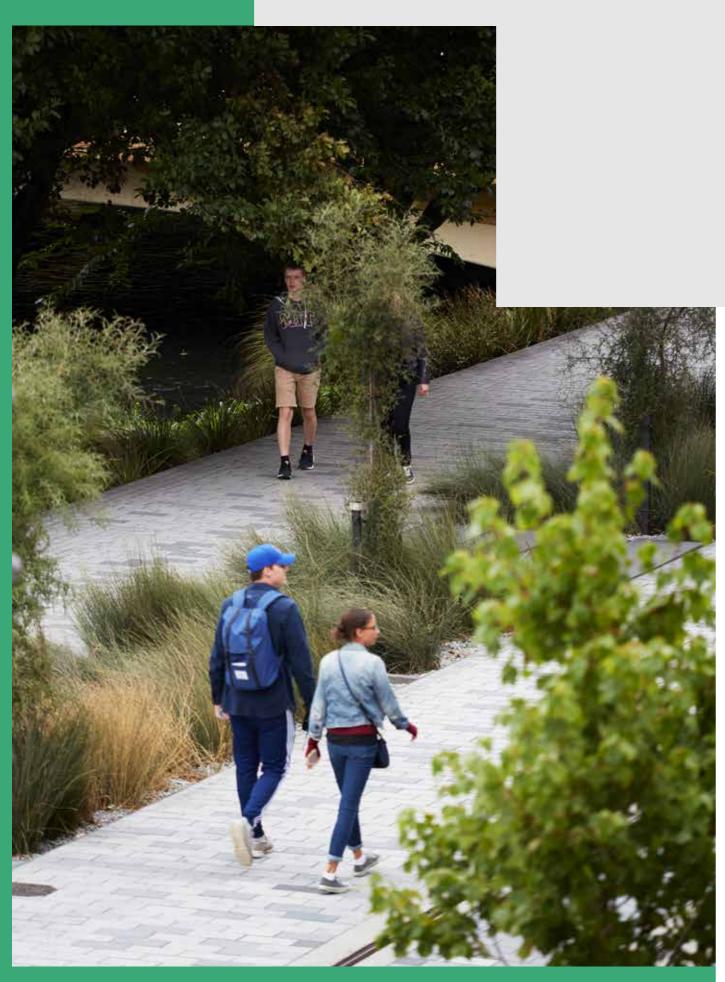
#### Looking ahead

The majority of the sorting and culling work of the archives has now been completed. The key items remaining are:

Assess the relatively small number of photo slides, prints, transparencies; properly store those worth keeping, digitise and catalogue into PastPerfect.

Assess the few analogue tape recordings (mainly conference proceedings) and, if of value, digitise and catalogue into PastPerfect.

Work through the winning awards entries (dating from 2000), which are all held in hard copy and some are also in digital, including photos. Digitise and catalogue into PastPerfect.



# Student

#### **Student Levies**

**MEGAN ASH** 

The NZILA contributes \$500 each year to the Wellington, Canterbury/Westland and Auckland branches to be used to host or organise a student focused event and to engage with the university students.

Below is a summary of how each branch used the levies for 2019.

#### **Auckland Branch:**

- Hosted a presentation from recently graduated students on how they got jobs, what they have been doing and information about the pathway to registration.
- Sponsored the Unitec X Section magazine

#### Wellington Branch:

- Supporting an event showcasing the student's thesis.
   This was however postponed as the students weren't finished last year
- Therefore, the student levy was not used for 2019 and has been carried over to 2020. The branch has ringfenced these funds and will ensure they are put towards the rescheduled event this year

#### Canterbury/Westland Branch:

- Donation to a student event where they undertook a construction exercise in the city
- Donation to the Lincoln University student exhibition

#### NZILA Vectorworks Landmark Student Scholarship

There were no applications in 2019 for this scholarship.

#### Lincoln University Study Tour

Plans for recent Lincoln University graduates living in the Queenstown Region to host a presentation with the students during their study tour. The presentation would look at their pathways since graduating and different areas they specialise in (ie masterplaning, landscape planning etc).

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 the study tour was cancelled. We will continue to work with Lincoln University to assist where we could on any future Study Tours.

#### Focus for 2020

AlLA have recently rolled out a marketing campaign called "Be a Landscape Architect" to engage with students at high school and promote the degree. With enrolment numbers declining across NZ and Australia AlLA have reached out to NZILA to offer the opportunity to join the campaign and roll out something similar here in NZ. The executive committee is currently looking into this.



In preparing this report for recapping 2019, I can't help but be reminded that we have a large number of volunteers who have helped advance our Institute - NZILA Tuia Pito Ora – over the last year. We are indeed fortunate and indebted to these people and, being a part of this volunteer base myself, has also helped me to connect with members I wouldn't have normally had contact with, and many great memories have been made. Being involved in the NZILA is definitely a personally rewarding experience.

#### Registration

2019 was another successful year for registration, and this accomplishment can be attributed to a large network of amazing people. These include all the mentors (too many to name here), the group mentors, the branch coordinators (Rebecca Jerram, Ben Taylor and Neil Challenger), the Interview Chair (Neil Challenger), the Deputy Interview Chair (John Potter), along with the many presenters at the Group meetings on the Core Competencies.

Thanks also goes to the Interview Panel members: Neil Challenger, John Potter, Andrew King, Nancy Vance, Rachael Annan, Tony Milne, Yvonne Pfluger, Sophie Strachan, Katie Chilton, Jennifer Dray, Rhys Girvan, Mark Brown, Rebecca Lucas, Helen Baggaley, Bruno Gilmour, Sophie Jacques, Tessa MacPhail, Jamie Roberts, Linda Kerkmeester, Helen Mellsop, Yoko Tanaka, Mike Thomas, R Jerram, Matthew Jones, and Peter Whiting

Special thanks go to Orson Waldock for the outstanding job he did as the previous Auckland Branch Coordinator and for all the time and dedication he put into this role, as well as thanks to Helen Baggaley for her work as the Wellington Branch Coordinator. We are still looking for a replacement for the role in Wellington and this remains a concern.

#### The successful candidates for 2019 and our newest Registered Members are:

Jade Au Morris, Meg Back, Matthew Bangs, Zach Barker, Sally Bishop, Henry Crothers, Kieran Dove, Kevin Dwyer, Lawrence Elliott, Michelle Flanagan, Elizabeth Gavin, Kim Goodfellow, Charles Gordon, Christopher Greenshields, Ashleigh Hunter, Linnea Jacobsen, Wade Lipsham, Cory Manson, Kate McNeill, Leicester Murray, Michael Pentecost, Luke Porter, Stephen Quin, Marcus Robinson, Gabriel Ross, Robin Simpson, Felix Smith, Emma Taylor, Daniel Turgeon, Ainsley Verstraeten, Chantal Whitby, Anne Wilkins, Evan Williams, Michael Wright.

Congratulations to you all on your achievement.

2019 saw the introduction of a new (temporary) pathway to Registration – Established Member. The new pathway requires candidates to have more than 10 years' experience and that this experience is reflected in their knowledge. For it's first year open, there were 7 successful candidates and we expect this number to increase for the 2020 interviews. The Established Member pathway is similar to other ones overseas (such as Senior Entry for AILA, Senior Practitioner for CSLA, Senior Practitioner for HKILA and Senior Practitioner for LI) and requires more from candidates than the standard Graduate pathway. We currently have 60+ graduate members with more than the required 10 years' experience who are eligible for this pathway to be a Registered member, as well as members in other unique situations where this would be a more appropriate pathway. It is recommended that the Institute extend, or better still permanently include this pathway to align with other international landscape institutes.

#### **Registration Working Group**

This group of dedicated people have dedicated a lot of time and energy over the past year to this area and the Institute is very appreciative of the valuable and critical

# **Professional Development**

**DON ROYDS** 

input that they contribute to this important function. The Registration Working Group currently consists of Neil Challenger, Ben Taylor, Rebecca Jerram, Pete Rough, John Potter and Don Royds.

A Registration Workshop was held in February 2020 which brought the three layers of registration administration together and helped to identify issues between them, along with a list of items to work on for the next year to further improve the system for the benefit of our members.

#### Continuing Professional Development

#### **CPD Working Group**

This dedicated group of volunteers have been working on the CPD Plan requirements and reviewing the structure of our current points system. The CPD Working Group consists of Robin Rawson, Tim Scott, Clive Anstey, Tracey Ower and Meg Back. Their experience and input are invaluable as this area is one that needs constant monitoring and advancement.

#### 2019 NZILA Firth Conference

I was fortunate to be the Co-chair of the Creative Team for the 2019 conference in Ōtautahi and, along with the team, were honoured to have Ngāi Tūāhuriri lay the kaupapa for the hui.

The speakers, both international and local, were even more inspirational than we were expecting with world-class content and outstanding delivery. The theme of Disruption | whakahīoi was timely and through the various disruption strands proved relevant to attendees.

I would like to thank the Creative Team (Keri Whaitiri, Jacky Bowring, Louise Bailey, Meg Back, Tracey Ower, Fraser Graham, Fraser Miller, Nik Kneale and Co-chair Jess Rae) for giving up so many Monday evenings for our meetings, for tirelessly trawling Aotearoa and the world for disruptive speakers, and for their ability to bring so many creative ideas to the table. Thanks also goes to the NZILA Executive Committee and Admin team for their support.

#### **Students**

The NZILA Vectorworks Landmark Student Scholarship was not awarded this year. The Selection Committee reviewed the applications and decided that the scholarship would not be awarded as the criteria had not been met.

#### **BIM Handbook**

The third edition of the New Zealand BIM Handbook is out and has been supported by the NZILA Tuia Pito Ora. This is an excellent resource for practitioners working on cross-disciplinary collaborations and it is recommended that our members are at least aware of this document and its contents. It is widely supported by other professional bodies such as New Zealand Institute of Architects (NZIA), Association of Consulting Engineers New Zealand (ACENZ), Facilities Management Association of New Zealand (FMANZ), New Zealand Institute of Building (NZIOB), Engineering New Zealand (ENZ), and New Zealand Institute of Quantity Surveyors (NZIQS). The BIM Handbook.

# Community

**HENRY CROTHERS** 



The community portfolio for 2019/2020 has included a focus on maintaining existing and developing some new peer body relationships, the NZILA creative panel as well as ongoing contributions to NZILA events such as the conference, awards and international speaker series.

#### Relationships

Maintaining relationships with existing NZILA partner and professional bodies through regular meetings and correspondence. New relationships have been developed with NZ Property Council, Environmental Defence Society (EDS), Recreation New Zealand (RCNZ) Resource Management Law Association (RMLA) and New Zealand Society of Impact Assessment (NZSIA).

#### Design Advocacy Group

Over last few months have developed a framework for a Design Advocacy Group that can work in collaboration with the NZILA Executive to;

- Support the promotion of Landscape Architecture and the aspirations of NZILA
- Assisting NZILA in responding to landscape issues arising in the media
- 3) Identifying design and professional practice issues relating to NZILA members and their activities
- Assist in initiating and preparing submissions on behalf of NZILA
- 5) Assist NZILA in updating Practice Guidelines/ Professional Services and Code of Conduct to reflect current design and practice issues

It was agreed that an Advocacy Group would be formed consisting of 5 members seeking expertise and leadership in the following areas; urban, practice, cultural, contractual and climate change/land use. This group would also be responsible for initiating Submissions on behalf of NZILA. Proposed membership to be confirmed.

The advocacy group would draw on subject matter experts within the NZILA membership as required to assist in providing advice and guidance in relation to certain

topics, sites or projects. The advocacy group would communicate with NZILA Branch Chairs to identify and respond to issues and utilise Branch Chairs to contribute and/or identify subject matter experts.

The group would meet monthly. Additional meetings involving the group and/or subject matter experts would be held as required. The Group would provide a report to the Executive meeting and Branches describing areas of activity, actions and emerging/current issues.

#### Media Responses + Releases

The Advocacy Group would communicate with NZILA President, members and subject matter experts to agree how NZILA would respond to design issues and the media. A number of potential responses could be appropriate that would enable NZILA to manage/mitigate actual or perceived conflicts of interest and/or best support promotion of NZILA;

- 1) NZILA President responds to issue
- 2) Design Advocacy Chair responds to issue
- 3) Design Advocacy Member responds to issue
- 4) Subject Matter or Branch Chair responds to issue

The most appropriate response would be discussed and agreed by the Design Advocacy Group without Executive approval. Contentious issues could be elevated to NZILA Executive. The group would liaise with NZILA and LAA around using the website, social media to communicate and support responses. There may be a requirement for media advice in regard to preparation of statements and comments. Draw on existing relationship with Blame the Media.

#### Focus for 2020

Continuing to develop peer organisation relationships and identifying key points of contact. Establishing Design Advocacy within NZILA re: national design issues. A focus for 2020 will be for NZILA to participate more fully in the annual Architecture Festival with NZIA to provide expanded offering and broader dialogue that includes landscape architecture and urban design.



# **Events**

Mark Fletcher

2019 included the following events that were all very positive and for which we are keen to establish as the core annual programme:

- MHL Presidents Function (Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland) - April
- Streetscape Speaker Series (main centres) July
- Firth Conference (Ōtautahi Christchurch) November
- Awards (Ōtautahi Christchurch) November

In 2019 there was also the Landscape Foundation workshops in April and additional to the national calendar many of the branches staged their own events, details of which are contained in the branch annual reports.

Our focus for this year has been on the move to a more centralised direction for events – in particular the annual Conference but also the Speaker Series, CPD and other potential regular events. The aim is to provide professional events that deliver membership value and provide an income stream for NZILA.

#### **Events Strategy**

An Events Strategy was drafted in September 2019. This looked at what, why and how NZILA events should be created. The desired outcomes of the Events Strategy include the following:

- Increase the Institute's income through profit-making events
- A raised public profile through increased online/social activity
- Raised profile of the profession within Universities
- Enhanced professional development learning
- Ownership of event management IP
- Growth in membership

The Strategy builds upon the Boardworks International Discussion Paper (Nahkies, March 2018) commissioned for the Institute, that included a recommendation for an appointment of a national events manager, and also includes establishing a national creative panel.

#### **Event Manager Role**

The vision is to employ/contract a full time Events Manager who will create and manage a range of events that will generate income for the Institute and deliver professional development and membership value.

It was agreed at the September 2019 Executive Committee Meeting that for the 2020 Conference and Speaker Series the Institute would appoint an events person to project manage these on a contract basis. The long-term aim is for this role to be a permanent position to encompass all NZILA annual events.

#### **Creative Panel**

The purpose of the Panel is to provide the NZILA Events Manager with creative guidance. The Panel was formed in November 2019 after a call for interest and includes the following members:

- Hanna O'Donoghue, Boffa Miskell, Auckland
- Hannah Hopewell, VUW, Wellington
- Henry Crothers, Landlab, Auckland
- Mark Fletcher, Studio Pacific, Wellington (Panel Chair)
- Megan Wraight, Wraight and Associates, Wellington
- Myles Rabbidge, RM Landscape, Tauranga (conference local branch rep.)
- Rangitahi Kawe, Boffa Miskell, Auckland (conference local branch rep.)

Members are expected to be on the panel for a two year duration, although local branch reps are only expected to serve up until their local conference (approximately one year). We are conscious that the panel does not have any South Island representation at present. This is in part due to the next conference being staged in Tauranga and also that we didn't receive any expression of interest from South Island members.

Between November and January, the panel had done some great work in focussing on a conference theme, format and potential speaker list. The focus of this work will now be transferred to next years' event. "The idea of the layering and porosity of our urban landscapes and how they can contribute in positive ways to communities was a wonderful inspiration, I left feeling completely refreshed and challenged to continue the education on nature's value as an integrated component."

- Renee Davies

# STREETSC

# NZILA Streetscape Speaker Series 2019

The NZILA Streetscape Speaker Series 2019 was held the week of 29 July 2019 with four lectures given by Catherine Mosbach, Tuesday 30 July in Auckland at the Ellen Melville Centre, Wednesday 31 July in Hamilton at the Waikato Museum, Thursday 1 August in Wellington at Victoria University and Friday 2 August in Christchurch at the Town Hall.

NZILA members were given the opportunity to interact with Catherine and Paul from Streetscape at drinks and nibbles prior to events and evening meals.

With a total audience of almost 500, the lectures were attended by landscape architects, architects, urban designers, planners and landscape gardeners from private practices to councils as well as landscape architecture students from UNITEC, VUW and Lincoln University. Auckland: 161, Hamilton: 100, Wellington: 89, Christchurch: 140.

UNITEC Landscape Architecture students interviewed Catherine in the company of Henry Crothers (Auckland Branch Chair) and Matthew Bradbury (Associate Professor, Unitec School of Architecture) for X Section. Catherine was shown around the four centres and spent a full day sightseeing on Saturday 3 August with Louise Bailey.

NZILA Canterbury/Westland chair, Louise Bailey commented "Catherine was pretty keen to get to the coast on her free day down south. She needed that rejuvenation, and just wanted to get out to nature. She described Birdlings Flat as 'the end of the earth' and breathed the sea air that she was hankering after. She said she needed 'iode' a French word which I translated to iodine but that is not the contextual meaning. Basically sea air. It was a stunning day with no wind, sunny and warm and she was overawed by the lack of people and vastness of the uninhabited coastline and wild ocean."

"Catherine's presentation was a reminder just how powerful and incredibly authentic natural systems are, as shown within the design responses from a series of vastly different landscapes from around the world. The common theme in all of them being the celebration of the balance between the Natural, and the Art. It was inspiring learning about her processes, and specifically how she uses all her projects as opportunities to learn something new, providing for inspiration, interest, and growth."

- Matt Peacocke (NZILA Central North Island Branch Chair) Conference photos can be <u>viewed here</u> Conference speaker videos can be <u>viewed here</u>



# 2019 NZILA Firth Conference

The 2019 NZILA Firth conference was held 6-8 November at the Town Hall in Christchurch. The theme, DISRUPTION, centred on the responses that critical-thinking people have actioned in the face of disruption, whether this has been instigated by natural systems or humans. Disruptive change might be planned and intentional, or it might occur rapidly and without warning. This year's conference discussed the relationship between design and disruption, and considered how we encourage innovation and creativity. How do we disrupt convention and create new ways of acting and being?

Delegates were welcomed to the Conference opening with a special event at Tūranga - a new cultural hub for Christchurch.

In addition to a great line up of international and local speakers, delegates enjoyed walking tours and a social gathering at "Eat Street". The Conference concluded with the The Resene New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architecture Awards 2019 dinner held at the Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna o Waiwhetū.

NZILA President Brad Coombs believes the theme of the conference, Disruption, in conjunction with the calibre of the international and local speakers "represents a step change in the quality of our conference events. The profession and the Institute should be very proud."

Boffa Miskell's Emma Taylor found the international speakers thought provoking. "It was a great few days of professional development, inspiration, socialising, finishing with a great awards evening celebrating and profiling the profession."

NZILA Executive Committee member Megan Ash says the conference has provided a great opportunity to hear from both international and national speakers and hear about all the amazing things that people are working on in different sectors.





# **Accreditation Panel**

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#### Changes to the Accreditation Panel

During 2019, it was decided that it would be appropriate for the Accreditation Panel to have a 'Cultural Advisor' working alongside them during their five-yearly visits to the three teaching institutions. Alan Titchener very ably filled this role for our visit to Victoria in June 2019. His contribution was so worthwhile that it has now been agreed that the Panel will increase to 4 members, one of whom will be primarily looking at teaching in the three programmes from a Maori perspective.

I, and the rest of the Panel members look forward to learning that this new appointment has been made.

#### **Annual Reports**

We have already received the Annual Reports from Victoria, Unitec and Lincoln University this year. Although Unitec are entitled to delay the provision of the Annual Report to coincide with the visit of the Accreditation Panel later in the year, we are grateful they have provided their report ahead of time, so that the Panel has time to get to grips with the serious issues they are facing.

#### Te Herenga Waka Victoria University

The Accreditation Panel (Melean Absolum, Julia Williams, Andrew King and Alan Titchener) visited Victoria University in June last year. It was clear to us that staffing levels were an ongoing issue for the programme, particularly, given that the programme is embedded in a School of Architecture with a common first year for all architecture, landscape architecture, and interior architecture students. Nevertheless, the staff were clearly working hard to overcome these difficulties.

We are pleased to report that Bruno Marques and the rest of the staff at Victoria have recorded an increase in student numbers in 2020 in the Annual Report. VUW has increased the number of permanent positions in the Landscape Architecture Programme, and strengthened expertise in city and regional planning, as well as environmental planning. We look forward to the proposal to employ an additional full-time lecturer position. This will put the Programme in a better position to develop and provide new electives, as well as increasing landscape involvement across a range of crossdisciplinary courses.

We also note the progress that has been made with the development of a Landscape Architecture Advisory Board and look forward to further updates on this front next year. Overall, despite on-going staff shortages, the VUW team remain positive about the programme and its future.

#### Changes at United

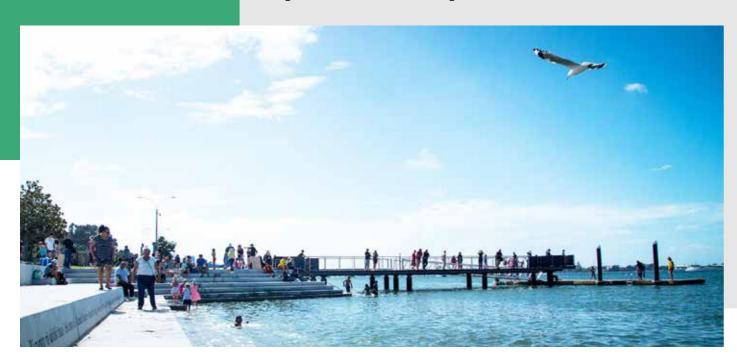
The Annual Report from Unitec records ongoing uncertainty for both staff and students in the Landscape programme. As well as major administrative changes in Unitec, the programme has recently been moved from the original iconic 'Carrington Hospital' building to a refurbished building elsewhere on campus. This new location means that students will be better connected to Unitec programmes, facilities and amenities.

The Panel sincerely hope that our visit in October this year will be an opportunity for us to meet Senior Management and to gauge for ourselves what the future of the programme might look like.

#### Lincoln University

Associate Professor Gillian Lawson, Head of School at SoLA, has reported ongoing improvements in the programme's facilities at Lincoln. They have also increased the number of permanent positions and will have a full complement of teaching staff by the end of this year, Covid-19 willing.

The School is actively working on strengthening programmes and their delivery in response to student and market requirements. The Accreditation Panel looks forward to seeing the detail of new initiatives that will strengthen teaching across a broad range of courses at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels, during our visit next year.



#### Introduction and Overview

The following notes discuss the 2019 Registration interviews; discussing the interviews themselves - which generally went well with a 92% success rate, and also making two recommendations for improvements to the Registration process. The first of these strongly recommends that the recently introduced Established Member Category is made a permanent entry pathway to the Registration interviews; and the second suggests establishing a part-time paid Registrar's position to carry out some of the considerable, growing and untenable Registration workload at both Branch and Interview levels.

#### Interviews

There were 37 candidates for the 2019 examination: twentu-seven but he Graduate Mentor pathway, seven by the Established Member Pathway and three by the Reciprocal Pathway. Thirty-four of these candidates were successful (92%), which is comparable with the 93% success rate in 2018. There were four days of interviews - one day of interviews in both Auckland and Wellington and two days in Christchurch; which required 25 panellists including both Panel Chair (Neil Challenger) and Deputy Chair (John Potter) sitting on all four days. With 37 candidates, last year's was the biggest interview programme ever and compares with 14 candidates in 2018. 25 in 2017. 16 in 2016 and 19 in 2015. As an aside. we are currently expecting around 27 candidates in 2020 (17 via the Graduate Mentor programme, two by Reciprocal and eight via the Established Member pathway).

The large cohort of candidates in 2019 required some process changes and created a significant workload, but overall the interview process went well. Having started work on it early we had firmed up the pool of panellists, with a slight change in that, if needed and able, panellists have agreed to sit on the panel for up to three years. Significantly, a number of new people were inducted onto

the panel. This included a number of panellists from the smaller Branches, which will be helpful to the Registration process in these areas in the future. It also included a significant increase to the number of women panellists, which allowed every panel to have least one woman on it and all the panels with women candidates to be chaired by a woman – which proved helpful in both the interviews and the post interview discussions. The panellists were well prepared, worked hard and did a thorough and professional job.

Having successfully held the interviews at Jasmax for in 2017 and 2018, to spread the load, last year's were kindly hosted by Boffa Miskell in all three centres. Boffa Miskell hosted generously, were very organised, had good facilities that worked well and were very easy to work with.

In process terms, a number of detailed changes were made last year both to shorten the time between candidates applying and the results being released, and to help cope with the large number of candidates. This included bringing the application date forward by a week, starting interviews ten days earlier than normal and changes to the way recommendations are made to the Executive. Because this worked last year and appeared manageable to candidates, panellists and Tuia Pito Ora Administrative Support we will repeat this tightened programme this year.

#### **Established Member Category**

The Executive added the Established Member Category to the Registration application pathways late in 2018 and the 2019 cohort was the first, so that the efficacy of the pathway deserves comment. Overall, it proved a robust and successful addition. Although one applicant was unsuccessful, the candidates demonstrated considerable disciplinary knowledge and skill; and many of them had portfolios full of work that was sophisticated, complex and of a very high standard. Most had a great depth of practice management knowledge and all had at least

# **Registration Panel**

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a solid understanding of ethics and professionalism and the other 'core competencies'. All the successful candidates were regarded as being very able to be reliable, contributory practitioners. As such it was clear that the required ten years of practice experience was sufficient for candidates to acquire at least the level of understanding and knowledge that candidates via the shorter Graduate Mentor Programme have. In other words, the requirements of the Established Member Category were fair and sensible, and the Established Member Category proved an appropriate and robust additional route to the Registered Membership examination.

When the Established Member Category was added it was intended that it would only be in place for two years. However, in our opinion the Category should be made a permanent addition to the entry pathways. From the backgrounds of both the candidates who applied last year and of those who are talking about applying this year, it is clear that the Established Member pathway is more than just a short-term means to mop up the recalcitrants who 'didn't get around' to applying via the Graduate Mentor pathway. Quite simply a number of the applicants via the Established Member pathway couldn't apply via the Graduate Mentor pathway when the time was right for that. Perhaps because they were practicing overseas, or their careers have been diverse or perhaps broken by the demands of parenthood, or for some other such reason. Whatever the explanation, there will clearly always be members to whom this applies - who were not able to follow the Graduate Mentor Pathway, and whose ten years or more of practice means that doing the Graduate Mentor programme would be a waste of time. So, they need a different route to the Registration interview. Accordingly, in both my and the broader Registration Working Party's view, the Established Member pathway to the Registration Examination should be made a permanent addition to Registration.

#### Workload

Penultimately, a comment on the workload associated with Registration, which is too high. Having 37 candidates for last year's interviews led to a great deal of work for the Tuia Pito Ora Administrative Support, the Panels, the Deputy Chair and in particular for the Chair of the Interview Panel - to a point that is unreasonable, and it shows no sign of decreasing. On top of this a considerable amount of Registration work is also carried out by the Branches. The Institute is currently carrying out a Governance review and as part of this it is suggested that consideration is given to appointing a part-time paid 'Registrar' or some such, to contribute to both the Interview and the Branch based aspects of Registration. This would align Registration with the Institute's other big projects – Conference and Awards - both of which have paid organisers, and would appropriately reflect the workloads involved, while further enhancing the Registration package provided to candidates.

#### **Thanks**

Finally the distribution of accolades. A lot of people contributed to making the 2019 Registration interviews the robust and successful process they were: the candidates who generally prepared well and submitted professional and often exciting material; the panellists who were thorough, robust and professional; Boffa Miskell for their generous hosting; the NZILA Tuia Pito Ora Admin Support team who worked hard and effectively behind the scenes, and finally John Potter - Deputy Chair of the Interview Panel who was very helpful in making things happen. Our thanks are extended to all these people.

Naku noa, na

(with input from John Potter, Deputy Chair Registration Panel)



Last year was another significant year for IFLA, and the IFLA Asia-Pacific region. The world council meeting was held in Oslo in September, where the most significant step taken by IFLA in many years was to see the declaration of

New President James Hayter succeeded Kathryn Moore at the Oslo meeting, and demonstrated his clear leadership skills by taking the case for declaring an emergency to the world council. The declaration was unanimously approved by the council, comprising delegates from IFLA's 77 member organisations. It was followed by a similar declaration from the Asia-Pacific region of IFLA at their meeting in Cebu later in the year. Other national organisations have also confirmed their support for the IFLA declaration by making their own comparable declarations.

Plan IFLA was unveiled earlier in 2019 and discussed at the Oslo meeting. The document guides decision-making by IFLA's Executive Committee over the next three years. The plan has since been updated, and the latest 2020 version is available here.

The key components of Plan IFLA are to "focus on the key areas where we can make a difference to the landscape architectural profession at the global level". These areas are described in the plan as follows:

#### Academic programme recognition, accreditation and global education standards

The growth of the landscape architectural profession will depend on educating the future generation of professionals to the highest possible standard.

#### Professional recognition

a climate change emergency.

In some countries the landscape architecture profession lacks visibility and status, particularly with government decision makers. IFLA can assist associations gain increased visibility and traction by showing what others

are doing elsewhere and the difference landscape architects can make.

#### Collaboration and thought leadership

The way we go about our business, the processes we have in place and the technical knowledge we develop varies throughout the world depending on how advanced the profession is in a particular country. IFLA has a primary role in helping all associations and practising landscape architects by sharing expertise and proposing new ways of doing things.

#### Professional standards and ethics

As the reputation of the landscape architectural profession grows, so does the need for us to establish and maintain professional standards, ethics and values that distinguish us as a profession.

#### Governance and revenue

As a federation, IFLA must itself be well governed and financially stable. This implies a lean, nimble organisation that can respond successfully to an evolving professional globally.

IFLA's focus is grounded on the fundamental premise that: "In our activities and actions, IFLA will align with the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The focus of IFLA's working groups is to work with other international NGOs and our member associations to embed the policy intentions of the SDGs into the everyday actions of landscape architects in practice globally."

At a regional level, we also saw a change in leadership, with Fumiaki Takano from Japan taking over from Singaporean Damian Tang. Takano-san noted in his opening address to the IFLA APR council meeting: "Our ship will soon embark on a new journey. I hope that it will be a journey of challenge blessed with fair winds. IFLA APR stands on a foundation built on the efforts of past presidents and many delegates. The role of the next era

# IFLA Delegate

is to further expand the platform, promote diversification and strengthen the network."

A highlight of the regional meeting in Cebu in November was the AAPME resilience by design awards evening, celebrating the great work of those whose projects were recognised by the judging panels. AAPME was a joint venture between the Americas, Asia Pacific and Middle East regions. This event was so successful that IFLA has asked the three regions to host it once more in 2020, this time as a global call for projects which embody resilience in all its forms, rather than being limited to our region. We are hoping to see some great projects in 2020!

Significant initiatives at the Asia Pacific level in 2019 include the launching of an internship scheme administered by the IFLA APR secretariat, where companies large or small can offer work experience opportunities to students or recent graduates from within our region. Takano-san's office in Hokkaido has made internship openings available to over 300 young landscape architects since it was established, and he is keen to see this experience being available to more practices and more practitioners.

There are many nations within the Asia Pacific region which are not yet represented on the IFLA APR council, either because the national association is too small to send a delegate, or a national association is yet to be formed. Our new president is also keen to make some progress in this area, and is working through embassies or consulates to make contact with landscape architects in those nations.

One initiative which did not pan out as expected was the IFLA-KOMPAN World Play Design Challenge 2020. The idea was to offer a design challenge to young landscape architects through the YLAA\* - Young Landscape Architects Alliance - to design a resilient playground. There was a fantastic first prize of cash, plus

a visit to the Kompan design headquarters in Denmark, but unfortunately there were so few entries that the competition was cancelled. Maybe we can resurect the idea next year and try to publicise the competition early enough for tertiary programmes to build such a competition into their assessment regimes... Check out our website regularly, to keep up with such initiatives.

At time of writing, the world congress and associated council meetings in Penang in August this year are still being held, but matters are changing so quickly that there may be some updates about the events quite soon. Please refer to the NZILA March e-comm for more information.

As always, I'm happy to be contacted by any NZILA members who have any questions about IFLA, IFLA APR, or our activities. Check out the respective websites for up to date information, or send me a message. Please note my updated email address: <a href="mikebiflaapr@gmail.com">mikebiflaapr@gmail.com</a>

\*From the IFLA APR secretariat: "Are you a **young professional, under the age of 35**, looking to develop your career in landscape architecture? IFLA APR wants to help you out. With free membership for young landscape architects, the IFLA APR Young LA Alliance will give you the opportunity to develop your career and build a strong community of like-minded individuals."



Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa e nga mema o Tuia Pito Ora! Greetings to the members of Tuia Pito Ora-NZILA.

The following report is provided to Tuia Pito Ora-NZILA by Te Tau-a-Nuku¹ for the 'AGM-year' 2019 to 2020. We note with pleasure and gratitude the hard work of the Executive Committee and the broader Tuia Pito Ora membership and staff; and are particularly appreciative of Tuia Pito Ora's continued support to Te Tau a Nuku (including its grant), and its advocacy for kaupapa Māori aspirations, objectives and actions within the Landscape Architectural profession over the past year.

The past 12 months have seen Te Tau-a-Nuku involved in a range of activities:

- ACCREDITATION We have a representative on the Accrediation Panel, in particular providing advice on the extent to which the education provider was successful in meeting the kaupapa Māori requirements of accreditation.
- AWARDS Two members of Te Tau-a-Nuku were members of the judging panel for the awards, assisting with the review and evaluation of submissions. We note the high standard of the entries and applaud the simplicity (and at the same time the complexity) of the 2019 winner – tea a Rangi in Heretaunga/Hawkes Bay.
- CONFERENCE Te Tau-a-Nuku provided support to Tuia Pito Ora for last November's Conference 'Whakahīoi Disruption' in Ōtautahi/Christchurch. This included having a representative on the local organising committee, who among other things assisted in identifying conference themes and speakers, and programming and coordinating breakout events. They also liaised with Te Tau-a-Nuku and with mana whenua (Ngāi Tūāhuriri) on their inclusion throughout from mihi whakatau (welcome) to whakakapi (conclusion), as well as their

involvement in sessions during the main Conference proceedings. A number of Te Tau-a-Nuku members were speakers at the conference, offering a Māori perspective to the themes. There were also useful opportunities for broader discussion of the kaupapa, most notably the final session, a significant output from which was the support given to elevating the Institute's Māori name 'Tuia Pito Ora'. With Te-Taua-Nuku assistance, member Dr Alayna Renata organised a 60 minute presentation, in parallel and separate from the conference, on her recently completed PhD on Ngāi Tahu Landscape Values. Doing so was a necessary get-around to give Ngai Tahu voice on an important topic, which could not be meaningfully accommodated within the strictures of the conference's ten minute speaker slots. That Alayna had to go to this length is at best unfortunate, and offers pause for thought for future conferences as to how consideration is given to tikanga Māori and acknowledging tangata whenua.

- **E-NEWS** Te Tau-a-Nuku supplied six articles for publication in the Tuia Pito Ora monthly e-comm on topics ranging from student research to landscape resoration, design projects to the systemic difficulties that Māori have developing their land.
- EXECUTIVE MEETINGS Te Tau-a-Nuku now has a regular presence at Executive meetings in an 'advisory capacity', and through this is involved with a number of Executive initiatives such as the on-going governance review. Reinforcing this relationship, the Tuia Pito Ora President (Brad) and Vice-president (Julia) attended the Te Tau-a-Nuku hui a tau (annual planning hui) in May.
- HUI Early last year Te Tau-a-Nuku held its well attended hui a tau (annual planning hui), which was also attended by representatives of Tuia Pito Ora; and towards the end of the year held two project based hui with its members focused on the Landscape Assessment Guidelines.

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- LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES A major project this year was the development of a kaupapa Māori response to the Landscape Assessment Guidelines being developed by Tuia Pito Ora. This has involved Te Tau-a-Nuku members from across the country and Australia, several hui and the circulation of draft reports for feedback from Te Tau-a-Nuku's broader membership. The output from this has been a significant kaupapa injection into the draft guidelines that are currently under development. Te Tau-a-Nuku gratefully acknowledges the openness of Gavin Lister and Rachel de Lambert to this input - he mihi mahana kia korua. Although this is still a very much a work in progress with many other people yet to cast their eyes on it, as it stands we see this as a game changer that potentially describes a new way of working in Aotearoa. Pai rawe!
- NGA AHO Te Tau-a-Nuku have representatives on the Nga Aho² committee.
- NGA AHO MEETING WITH TUIA PITO ORA –
  Something that didn't happen this year was the supposedly annual meeting between Nga Aho and Tuia Pito Ora, which is a requirement of the MOU between the two organisations. Obviously a case of 'slippage' but it will need to happen this year as a priority!
- TE WHAIHANGA There was ongoing support for the Te Whaihanga project, developing teaching resources in support of kaupapa Maori informed design, which has now produced several educational video resources.
- UNITEC SUPPORT Continued support to the landscape programme at Unitec via the Maori Advisory committee (MAC), which met several times during the year;

Kei te mihi mātau ki a enei kaituhi, kaimahi me kaikōrero mā mo enei mahi – ko Rangatira koutou katoa.

The 18th of March marked five years since the signing of the MOU in Rotorua between Nga Aho and what was then the NZILA in its pre Tuia Pito Ora days. Much has happened to advance the kaupapa since then. In terms of Tuia Pito Ora the Karanga o te Tui awards category was established, the waiata was written, the name Tuia Pito Ora was given, there are now representatives on Exec and the Accreditation Panel, more than ever before kaupapa Māori is a major (if occasionally tenuous) thread at conferences, there are frequent articles in the E-News and other fora and more besides. Similarly within practice, kaupapa Māori is increasingly present in narratives, names, materiality and planting palette to name but a few modes of expression; while engagement with tangata whenua is becoming much more common and seen as much more contributory. It is not yet a different world, but it is heading that way and we take particular pleasure in the work done around the Landscape Assessment Guidelines which we believe could quite literally change the way that the whenua is looked at. There remains much to do, but it is clear that we are on the road to putting Aotearoa back into the country's landscape. Pai rawe!

Kua pau ta mātau pūrongorongo ināianei. No reira, ki a ta mātau kaimahi kei te mihi mahana; me hoki, ki a aku hoa kei Tuia Pito Ora kei te mihi, kei te mihi kei te mihi [Thanks to our Te Tau-a-Nuku-a-Nuku workers and greetings once again to our friends in Tuia Pito Ora].

#### Naku na Phil Wihongi (Tumuaki) me Neil Challenger (Kaituhi) Te Tau---a---Nuku

- <sup>1</sup> Te Tau a Nuku is collective of Māori Landscape Architects, focussed on improving the holistic well-being and presence of kaupapa Māori within Landscape Architectural practice; it is part of Nga Aho, which is a broader network of Māori design professionals.
- <sup>2</sup> The Maori Design Collective.



#### Treasurer

**REBECCA RYDER** 

#### 2019 Overview

The New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora Executive Committee is pleased to present this Treasurer's Report and the Annual Financial Report that has been prepared by the accountant, lles & Campbell Limited, for the 2019 calendar year. This information summarises the financial position of the Institute and the NZILA Executive's management of our operational, savings and branch accounts during 2019.

2019 saw the Institute membership numbers remain at a consistent level as is has done for the past three years.

The Annual Financial Report¹ demonstrates that the budgeted 2019 loss of -\$27,259.91 was avoided with a recorded profit of \$61,899. 2019 was the first year where the financial reporting of the branch activities has been accounted for in the NZILA National Statement of Financial Performance. With a combined profit of \$5,635 for the Branches, the overall profit of NZILA Tuia Pito Ora is \$67,535.

The profit from the 2019 Conference was \$61,168, with 10% of the funds allocated to the host branch (Canterbury / Westland). The annual profit from the conferences over the past 5 years has varied and assists in the delivery of operational services for the Institute.

2015	Rotorua	\$ 10,624
2016	Dunedin	\$ 14,828
2017	Wellington	\$ 59,195
2018	Auckland	\$ 19,483
2019	Christchurch	\$ 61,168

Thanks are extended to the COO, Vicki Clague and her team at Fusion, who continue to practice strong financial management with a focus toward continuing long term positive financial performance. Vicki continued to work successfully with our sponsors for the website, online advertising, Landscape Architecture Aotearoa, and the 2019 conference, speaker series and workshops.

#### Financial Policy – Reserve Fund

A draft financial policy is in its final review by the Executive Committee. Historically NZILA have retained a \$100,000 reserve fund, which was to represent one year's income. Since then NZILA has seen growth in membership, revenue and operational expenses which has resulted in a nominal figure being secondary to the objective of covering one year's operational expense. Expense is seen where the financial risk lies for the Institute and as such the annual operational expenditure of the prior financial year forms the basis of measure for a reserve fund.

The draft Reserves and Restricted Funds Policy (3.1) sets out the objective of growing the reserve fund a minimum of 50% of annual operational expenses, over a 4-year period (to 2024).

- 2019 Operational Expenditure of \$339,011 (excluding depreciation) equates to \$169,505.
- 2019 End of Year Members Funds (less Branch Funds) equates to \$318,060
- 2019 Term deposits held equates to \$250,000 of the current assets held.

**Recommendation**: That \$170,000 is held in unallocated cash reserves at all times for the 2020 financial year.

#### 2019 Subscription Income

Annual subscription projections were based on the 2018 membership base. Over the past 8 years NZILA has taken a proactive approach to ensuring subscription income is received along with a concerted effort to growing the membership.

Potential 2019 Subscription Income	\$ 271,937.00
(based on all members paying)	

Budgeted Income from Subscriptions \$ 258,341.00 (based on 95% of anticipated income)

Actual 2019 Subscription Income \$ 275,416.00

Surplus (Arrears) \$ 17,074.00

#### 2020 Projected Subscription Income

Annual subscriptions for members have been reviewed with the Executive Committee adopting<sup>2</sup> a CPI adjustment of 1.5% for the 2020 year.

In determining the draft NZILA income and expenditure budget for 2020, we have remained prudent in setting a budgeted income from subscriptions in the order of receiving ~95% of the projected figures and making an allowance for 30 concessionary subscriptions.

#### 2002 - 2019 Subscription Income

Year	Income (excl GST)
2002	\$ 68,476.00
2003	\$ 72,282.00
2004	\$ 85,487.00
2005	\$ 108,637.00
2006	\$ 129,902.00
2007	\$ 129,423.00
2008	\$ 142,539.00
2009	\$ 152,916.00
2010	\$ 151,791.00
2011	\$ 138,928.00
2012	\$ 173,832.00
2013	\$ 184,350.00
2014	\$ 201,239.00
2015	\$ 213,368.00
2016	\$ 215,480.00
2017	\$ 244,880.00
2018	\$ 260,131.00
2019	\$ 275,416.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to Attached Financial Accounts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, February 2020 – Electronic Motion 95, 9th December 2019

#### Summary of NZILA Financial Position at 31 December 2019

Taking into account the aforementioned information, we report that for the year ended 31 December 2019, the NZILA financial activity resulted in a net profit of \$61,899 (excluding Branch surplus and taking into account depreciation and the Conference profit).

There has been a increase in the Institute assets for 2019 due to the profit attributed to increased expenditure on special projects and operational costs.

The Annual Financial Report sets out our total member funds, summarised below:

Current Assets	\$ 364,056.00
Less Current Liabilities	\$ 10,508.00
Net Current Assets	\$ 353,548.00
Non-Current Assets	\$ 17,913.00
Net Assets (Total Members Funds)	\$ 371,462.00

#### **Asset History**

Year	Funds
2008	\$263,523.00
2009	\$236,098.00
2010	\$220,707.00
2011	\$241,770.00
2012	\$265,795.00
2013	\$191,285.00
2014	\$216,841.00
2015	\$251,630.00
2016	\$265,632.00
2017	\$269,179.00
2018	\$254,849.00
2019	\$318,060.00*

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes that the 2019 Financial Position of \$371,462.00 takes into account the combined current Branch assets of \$53,402.00. The figure of \$318,060.00 excludes the Branch assets to provide a comparative table of asset growth.

#### 2020 Financial Strategy

#### 2020 Budget

In setting the budget for 2020, the investment back into delivering member benefits from delivery of CPD events and key leadership projects have been considered. The Interim Strategic Plan informs this budget and adjustments have been made to take into account recent decisions and the potential impacts of COVID-19 on the 2020 financial year.

Informing the budget is the new Draft Financial Policy: Financial Management, Section 1 Policy 3, which sets what the budget shall achieve.

The Proposed Draft 2020 Operational Budget is based on expenditure from 2019 along with projected CPI adjustments to Income and Expenditure. We now support the running of events through our paid administration team, including contractor Ninjan.

Notable variances from typical operational expenditure include:

- Projects
  - Landscape Assessment Guidelines
  - Governance Review
- Capital Expenditure
  - Website Enhancements

We remain cautious in our income projections but are taking a medium risk in our expenditure with the abovementioned projects. Remaining projects including CPD events, outside of the annual conference, and associated resourcing are projected as being cost neutral and low risk. This is in line with the Financial Policy 1.3.5 which seeks to ensure that significant events are required to generate a profit.

#### 2020 Operational Budget Summary

2020 Predicted Operating Income	\$319,853.75
2020 Predicted Operating Expenditure (including Capital Expenditure)	\$351,061.20
2020 Projected profit/loss	(\$31,207.45)

#### 2020 Operational Budget – Effect on Base Term Investment

The following exercise was undertaken in order to ascertain if the proposed 2019 budget is in accordance with the Financial Policy which provides for a Cash Reserves Fund of 50% of 2019 Operational expenditure of \$170,000 as a base Term Investment.

TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE AS AT 31/12/19* - excludes Branch Surplus Funds of \$5,635	\$365,827.00
2020 Income as per Proposed Budget	\$319,853.75
TOTAL OF TERM DEPOSITS, SAVINGS AND 2019 BUDGETED INCOME	\$685,680.75
2020 Expenses as per Proposed Budget	\$376,298.00
Projected Balance left in Bank as of 31/12/2020	\$309,382.75

#### 2020 Proposed Income

The draft 2020 NZILA Operational Budget excludes activities associated with the Annual Conference as this event has been cancelled for 2020.

Ref	Income (excl GST)	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
1	Subscriptions	\$258,341.09	\$275,416.00	\$273,429.75
2	Job Adverts	\$20,000.00	\$13,725.00	\$10,000.00
3	Online Advertising	\$25,000.00	\$22,675.00	\$16,900.00
4	Mentoring Programme	\$1,500.00	\$750.00	\$250.00
5	Registration Fees - Established	\$7,485.00	\$3,493.00	\$2,994.00
6	Registration Fees - Existing	\$9,980.00	\$14,970.00	\$9,980.00
7	Student Scholarship Sponsorship	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
8	AON Insurance Commission	\$500.00	\$245.00	\$300.00
9	Conference Profit	\$12,904.00	\$61,168.00	\$0.00
10	Interest from Term Deposits & Savings	\$7,000.00	\$10,388.00	\$5,000.00
11	Awards Profit	\$0.00	\$3,430.00	\$0.00
12	Speaker Series Profit	\$0.00	\$212.00	\$0.00
13	Presidents Function	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
	Operational Income TOTAL	\$353,710.09	\$416,472.00	\$319,853.75

#### **Proposed Expenditure 2020**

Ref	Expenditure (excl GST)	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
	Institute Support			
14	Executive Team Remuneration	\$167,820.00	\$167,820.00	\$172,848.00
15	Online Advertising*	\$60,000.00	\$58,227.52	\$60,000.00
16	Mentoring Programme	\$15,000.00	\$8,910.00	\$15,000.00
	Administration			
17	Registration Panel Expenses	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$5,500.00
18	Registration Branch Incentive	\$4,000.00	\$5,400.00	\$4,000.00
19	Bank Charges (incl Paymark & Payment Express)	\$2,900.00	\$3,703.11	\$3,500.00
20	Insurance	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
21	Accountancy Fees	\$5,000.00	\$3,600.00	\$4,000.00
22	Audit Fees	\$3,000.00	\$2,891.00	\$2,891.00
23	Legal Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
24	Mailchimp subscription	\$900.00	\$986.19	\$1,000.00
25	Printing, Framing & Stationery	\$700.00	\$270.50	\$500.00
26	Postage	\$300.00	\$297.67	\$300.00
27	Subscriptions	\$400.00	\$461.70	\$400.00
28	Telephone & Tolls	\$900.00	\$790.07	\$850.00
29	Crown Storage - NZILA Archives	\$700.00	\$362.74	\$500.00
30	Registration Certificates	\$1,400.00	\$1,302.17	\$1,450.00
	Democracy (Exec Meeting Expenses & IFLA)			
31	President's Honorarium	\$6,000.00	\$4,495.14	\$3,000.00
32	President's Extraordinary Expenses	\$600.00	\$596.50	\$500.00
33	IFLA Delegate Travel Expenses	\$6,000.00	\$3,094.08	\$0.00
34	Executive Travel & Meeting Expenses	\$15,000.00	\$18,260.69	\$8,000.00
	Promotion/Grants/Relationships/Projects			
35	Branch Levies	\$15,800.00	\$16,498.86	\$16,600.00
36	Landscape Assessment Project	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
37	Governance Review	\$10,000.00	\$5,198.97	\$10,000.00
38	Publishing - LAA www hosting & domain renewal	\$500.00	\$410.63	\$500.00
39	Registration Portfolio	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00

Ref	Expenditure (excl GST)	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
40	Archives	\$8,200.00	\$8,200.00	\$10,800.00
41	Construction Industry Council	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
42	NZILA Website Hosting	\$2,500.00	\$2,635.05	\$3,000.00
43	IFLA Fees and Awards	\$3,300.00	\$3,552.15	\$4,108.20
44	Awards (Student Prizes)	\$2,550.00	\$1,700.00	\$2,550.00
45	Student Portfolio	\$500.00		\$500.00
46	NZILA Student Research Scholarship	\$1,500.00	\$00.00	\$1,500.00
47	LF Charitable donation	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
48	TTAN Charitable donation	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
49	Contingency	\$500.00	\$913.88	\$500.00
50	Presidents Function	\$10,000.00	\$6,693.27	\$255.00
	Operating Expenditure TOTAL	\$375,970.00	\$339,252.07	\$347,061.20
	Capital Expenditure			
51	Website enhancements	\$5,000.00	\$3,282.50	\$4,000.00
	Expenditure TOTAL	\$380,970.00	\$342,534.57	\$351,061.20

#### Level of Risk

The 2020 budget is a slightly higher risk profile as the operational budget shows that the expenditure will exceed income.

The Base Term Investment remains above the new reserve of 50% of the 2019 operational expenses, equating to \$170,000. Therefore the level of risk is seen as acceptable by the current Executive Committee.

The projected budget for 2020 forecasts a financial loss of -\$31,207.45. This is attributed partly to the following:

•	The Landscape Assessment Guidelines	\$ 3,000
•	The Governance Review	\$ 10,000
•	Archives Project	\$ 10,000
•	Donations	\$ 3,000

- Reduced Interest from investments
- Removal of profits from Speakers Series and Conference
- Increase in Operational Expenses

Removing the above non-essential projects from the operational budget the residual Operational Profit / Loss equates to -\$4,407.45. It is considered the long-term benefits from the non-essential projects and donations is affordable and that NZILA remains profitable over a two-year cycle period.

#### 2020 - 2024 Financial Strategy

In the immediate wake of the financial effects of COVID-19 NZILA Tuia Pito Ora has yet to experience direct financial impacts as an organisation, however we recognise the immediate impacts this may be having on the membership. In order to continue to project resilient financial scenarios we have analysed our membership and financial data. The following data provides an understanding of the distribution and demographic nature of the membership.

#### To note the membership is distributed:

- 64% in the North Island noting 40% are within the Auckland Branch
- 33% in the South Island
- 4% are overseas

#### The businesses we work within comprise:

- 45% work with 5 or more Landscape Architects within their business;
- 19% worth with 2 4 Landscape Architects, and;
- 36% worth as the sole Landscape Architect.

#### The number of members work in the following business types:

- 56% of members work for consultancy practices
- 29% of members are sole practitioners
- 11% of members work for Councils
- 3% of members work for Tertiary Institutes
- 1% of members work for Government Departments and Organisations

Researching the membership figures against the NZ Statistics Population data it is apparent that our profession membership has varied from between 0.012% - to 0.02% of the NZ Population.

Whilst COVID -19 hasn't immediately impacted the 2020 Financial Year to date, there is an unknown potential for adverse financial effects to occur in 2021 and beyond. It is difficult to predict the future therefore the following scenarios and approaches are being considered in forecasting our financial outlook.

Currently the main streams of income for the past two years is attributed to:

Year	Subscriptions	Event Income
2018	\$260,131.00	\$228,689.00³
2019	\$275,416.00	\$331,512.00 <b>4</b>

Our membership subscriptions remain a key contributor to our income stream. Our reliance on subscriptions is reflective of the purpose of the Institute as a membership organisation. Any market impacts on the membership subscriptions will impact proportionally the other identified income streams.

Events, including the annual conference, contributes to enabling the Institute to remain profitable with profits supporting one off projects and operational expenses. In 2019 the events<sup>5</sup> produced a collective profit of \$64,810.

Our goal over the next five years is to build our financial resilience to market change, whilst being able to continue to deliver a high level of service to the membership. In order to do this the growth of our cash reserves enables NZILA the ability to 'weather the storm' for short periods. However, we recognise that over the coming year the building of the cash asset reserve may be difficult and in turn may be required for continuation of our services.

By applying a number of financial scenarios the following parameters have been determined as financial indicators for responding to:

- Continuing delivery of our services at the current 'level of service', including expenses, can be achieved with a reduction in income (2020) of no more than 28%. This assumes a loss which requires annual incremental gains back to 100% of income by 2024. A reduction of greater than 28% will result in the Cash Reserves Policy not being met.
- Adjusting our delivery of services, including expenses, to match the reduction in income, will see the maintenance of cash reserves and the asset base.

The recommended financial strategy over the next five years, and more immediately within the next 2 years is to monitor the potential effects of the COVID 19 on our membership and in turn the Institute's financial resilience. Quarterly monitoring is recommended to ensure annual budgets are tracked and trends identified. Given subscriptions are due by end of April annually the financial impacts of COVID-19 on the membership will not be known until 2021. Therefore, monitoring of our membership's business sector is important over Quarters 3 and 4 of this year, to ensure the 2021 budget responds accordingly.

<sup>3</sup>Conference and CPD Events.

<sup>4</sup>Conference, Awards and Speaker Series.

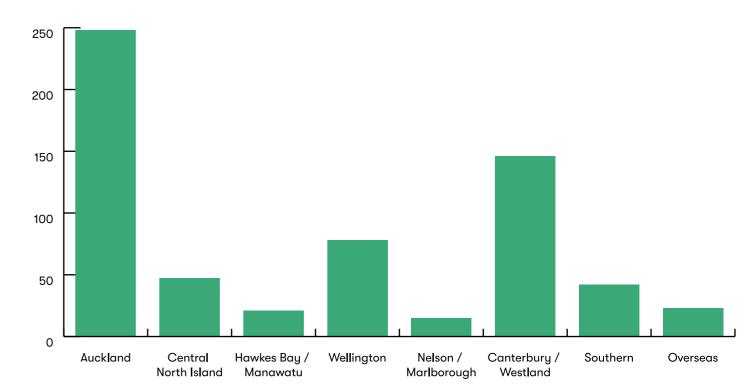
<sup>5</sup>Events <sup>-</sup> Annual Conference, Awards and CPD events.

#### **Recommended Motions**

The following draft motions are recommended for consideration and endorsement by the membership at the 2020 NZILA AGM:

- 1. THAT the Treasurer's Report be received and accepted.
- 2. THAT the final audited 2019 Annual Financial Reports (prepared by lles & Campbell Limited and audited by Dixon Chartered Accountants), as outlined in Appendix 1 be received and accepted.
- 3. THAT the Proposed 2020 NZILA Operational Budget, be approved, subject to the following amendments suggested at the AGM:
  - [any suggested and agreed amendments to be listed here]

#### 2019 Branch - Membership Size



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	Note	2019	2018
Conference Account			
Registrations Fees		111,415	119,624
Sponsorship		100,750	96,250
Sundry Income		226	_
·		212,391	215,874
Less Expenses			
Management		39,385	30,263
Administration		410	234
Catering		34,643	16,763
Speakers - Gifts and Costs		26,347	30,624
Venue		9,452	70,665
Advertising & Promotion		-	6,624
Conference Theming		5,064	2,884
Transport/Field Trips		-	956
Committee Expenses		1,647	385
Audio Visual		20,784	5,688
Carbon Offet Donation		1,475	-
Distribution of Conference Profit		6,797	3,646
Entertainment		-	15,451
Plant Hire		4,688	11,159
General Expenses		31	-
Ceremonial Costs		500	650
Workshops		<u> </u>	400
		151,223	196,391
Conference Surplus(Deficit)		61,168	19,483

	Note	2019	2018
Awards Account			
Entry & Dinner Fees		50,357	
Sponsorship		50,000	
Sundry Income	_	763	
		101,121	
Less Expenses			
Catering		19,440	
Printing & Certificates		2,838	
Judges Expenses		15,943	
General Expenses		165	
Ceremony Expenses		11,961	
Graphic Design		2,180	
Administration		35,043	
Photography & Videos		8,000	
Supreme Award Carvings	_	2,120	
		97,690	
Awards Surplus(Deficit)	-	3,430	

	Note	2019	2018
Branches			
Branch Levies		16,499	-
Registration Levies		5,400	-
Sponsorship		4,411	-
Registration Fees		400	-
Interest Income	_	276	
		26,987	-
Less Expenses			
AGM Expenses		1,317	-
Meeting Expenses		7,189	-
Sponsorship Paid		2,785	-
Workshop Expenses		7,267	-
Training Costs		137	-
Subscriptions		100	-
Travel - National		150	-
Freight & Courier		12	-
Donations		1,200	-
Entertainment		1,178	-
General Expenses	-	<u> 15</u> _	
		21,351	-
Branch Surplus(Deficit)	-	5,635	

	Note	2019	2018
CPD Month			
Income			
Attendance Charge		-	7,815
Sponsorship			5,000
		-	12,815
Expenses			11 500
All Expenses		<del>_</del> _	11,599
		-	11,599
CPD Month Surplus(Deficit)			1,216
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Speaker Series			
Income			
Sponsorship		18,000	
		18,000	-
Expenses			
Other Expenses		1,954	-
Speaker Expenses		15,834	
		17,788	-
Speaker Series Surplus (Deficit)		212	_
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	Note	2019	2018
INCOME			
Subscriptions			
Registered		130,047	127,063
Graduate 1 & 2		3,598	4,361
Graduate 3 & 4		18,472	20,985
Graduate 5 & 5+		98,630	82,890
Retired		1,447	1,484
Affiliate		8,144	7,168
Overseas		5,583	7,131
Subscriber Facility		4,309	4,065
Concessionary	-	5,187	4,984
		275,416	260,131
Interest - Term Deposit & Savings		10,388	9,417
Registration Application Fees		18,463	3,750
NZILA Vectorworks Scholarship		-	1,000
Registered Mentor Programme		750	1,600
Website Advertising		9,600	14,400
Jobs Board Advertising		13,725	19,125
NZLIA E-Newsletter Advertising		1,600	4,200
LAA E-Newsletter Advertising		1,200	-
President's Function		10,000	-
AON Commission Override		245	257
LAA Website Advertising	_	10,275	6,750
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		351,662	320,629
EXPENDITURE			
Construction Industry Council		1,000	1,000
Branch Levies		16,499	15,928
Registration Branch Levies		5,400	-
Executive Officer		167,820	159,780
Executive Travel & Meeting Expenses		18,261	19,279
Registration Expenses		6,025	5,967
IFLA Travel		3,094	1,306
IFLA Fees & Awards		3,552	3,214
President's Honorarium		4,327	4,456
President's Extraordinary Expenses		597	500
President's Function		6,693	-
Student Awards		1,700	2,450
Archives Project		8,155	7,055
Sponsorship & Donations		2,000	2,000
		_,000	_,000
NZILA Vectorworks Scholarship		_	1,500

	Note	2019	2018
Bookkeeper		8,430	-
Xero Software		480	-
CPD Certificates		1,302	1,221
Brand Development		735	900
Surveys		986	670
Governance Project		5,199	15,153
Life Membership Expenses		179	_
Landscape Assessment Project		-	1,884
LAA - Website Hosting		411	458
LAA - Curator		58,228	59,206
Tamaki Makaurau Design Alliance		-	2,000
Bank Charges		3,148	2,021
Paymark		168	168
Payment Express		375	390
Insurance		3,000	2,995
Website Maintenance		-	540
Accountancy		3,600	4,977
Audit Fees		2,891	2,901
General Expenses		_,_,	1,668
Office Expenses		363	596
Printing & Stationery		271	1,245
Postages		298	255
Subscriptions & Seminars		462	441
Telephone & Tolls		730	808
	-	339,011	327,410
Ordinary Depreciation		15,562	28,248
Cramary Boprociation	-	354,573	355,658
Surplus (Deficit) of Income over Expenditure		(2,911)	(35,029)
Conference Surplus(Deficit)		61,168	19,483
Awards Surplus(Deficit)		3,430	-
CPD Month Surplus(Deficit)		_	1,216
Speaker Series Surplus (Deficit)		212	-
Surplus (Deficit)	-	\$61,899	(\$14,330
Branch Surplus(Deficit)		5,635	-
Surplus (Deficit) including Branches	-		(\$14,330)

	2019	2018
Equity at 1st January 2019	254,849	269,179
Net Surplus (Deficit) for Period Increase in General Revaluation Reserves	67,535 49,078	(14,330)
Total Recognised Revenues and Expenses	116,613	(14,330)
Equity at 31st December 2019	\$371,462	\$254,849

	Note	2019	2018
Current Assets			
ASB - Cheque Account		1,908	50,838
ASB - Savings Account		33,762	14,874
ASB - Term Deposits		250,000	180,000
ASB Bank Branches		53,402	-
GST Refund Due		18,791	1,919
Tax Refund Due		4 5 270	1 025
Receivables & Subscriptions in Arrears Accrued Interest		5,372 818	1,035 1,304
Accided interest	-	364,056	249,974
		304,030	277,777
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		9,980	262
NZILA Credit Card		528	-
Net Income in Advance - Awards		-	31,508
Net Income in Advance - Conference	-		(6,453
		10,508	25,318
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	-	353,548	224,656
Non Current Assets		17.010	00.100
Fixed Assets (as per schedule)		17,913	30,193
	-	371,462	254,849
Net Assets (Liabilities)	-	\$371,462	\$254,849
Members Funds			
General Revaluation Reserves	5	49,078	-
Retained Earnings (Accumulated Losses)	·	322,384	254,849
Total Members Funds	-	\$371,462	\$254,849
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President		Treasurer	

	Cost	Book Value	Additions	Gain/Loss	Canital	Donroois	. +:	Accum	Book Value
Asset	Price	01/01/2019	Disposals	on Disposal	Capital Profit	Deprecio	\$	Deprec 31/12/2019	31/12/2019
Office Equipment									
Database Intergration - Special Project	5,000	1				12 48.0% DV	0	4,999	1
MYOB Software	721	5				12 50.0% DV	3	719	2
Filing Cabinet [2]	576	228				12 13.0% DV	30	378	198
Online Development of NZILA Awards	6,400	666				12 50.0% DV	333	6,067	333
Archival Software	1,866	369				12 50.0% DV	185	1,682	184
Website - NZILA	101,869	25,467				12 50.0% DV	12,734	89,136	12,733
Website - Landscape Architecture Aotearoa	3,080	1,411				12 50.0% DV	706	2,375	705
Website Development	2,340	2,047				12 50.0% DV	1,024	1,317	1,023
Website Development 2019			3,282			4 50.0% DV	547	547	2,735
Total Office Equipment	121,852	30,194	3,282				15,562	107,220	17,914
Total Assets	121,852	30,194	3,282				15,562	107,220	17,914

#### **REPORTING ENTITY**

New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects is an Incorporated Society registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

The financial statements of New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects are special purpose financial statements prepared for the purposes of New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects only. Unless otherwise stated, these financial statements have been prepared on an historical cost basis.

#### **MEASUREMENT BASE**

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical basis have been followed by the entity, except where revaluations of assets are incorporated. Accrual accounting concepts have also been adopted to match expenses and revenue. Reliance is placed on the fact that the entity is a going concern.

#### **SPECIFIC ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The following specific accounting policies, which materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position of the entity, have been applied:

#### **Goods and Services Tax**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis, with the exception of Accounts Receivable or Payable.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets are valued at cost less aggregate depreciation.

#### **Depreciation**

Depreciation of the assets has been calculated at the maximum rates permitted by the Income Tax Act 2007. This method is considered appropriate to the business. The rates used are shown on the depreciation schedule forming part of the accounts.

#### **Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable are stated at their estimated realisable value.

#### **Income Tax**

No provision for income tax has been made as the Institute is exempt from Income Tax under the provisions of the Income Tax Act 2007.

#### **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those used in previous years.

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#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

No contingent liabilities are known to exist at balance date.

#### 2 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There have been no material related party transactions during the financial year for which these financial statements are prepared.

#### 3 LEASE AND CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There are no lease and capital commitments as at balance date.

#### 4 EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

There have been no material events.

#### 5 BRANCH BANK ACCOUNTS

In 2019 the administration of the Branch accounting records were brought under the umbrella of the National Body.

The combined opening bank account balances for the Branches are represented by the total in the Branch Consolidation Reserve which prints in the financial statements under the heading General Revaluation Reserves.



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5<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Executive Committee members,

#### Audit management letter for the year ended 31 December 2019

In accordance with our engagement letter, we confirm we have completed our audit procedures for New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora Incorporated for the year ended 31 December 2019.

This letter sets out the matters noted and conclusions reached by us during the course of the audit.

#### 1 Financial reporting matters

The Society continues to prepare special purpose financial statements, on the basis that there is no statutory requirement to prepare general purpose financial statements for incorporated societies that are not registered charities.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the statement of accounting policies, for the purposes of the members, internal management and the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.

There have been no changes in accounting policies this year.

#### 2 New legislation for incorporated societies

MBIE has confirmed that the proposals for the new Incorporated Societies legislation have been approved by Cabinet.

Incorporated societies that are not registered charities, will be required to report using XRB standards when they satisfy one or more of the following criteria:

- Annual payments of \$10,000 or more; or
- Assets of \$30,000 or more; or
- 'Donee status' under the Income Tax Act 2007.

As the Society's annual operating exceeds the above threshold of \$10,000, it will be required to adopt the same financial reporting framework as is already used by registered charities.

All incorporated societies will transition into the new regime over a two-and-a-half year period.

All incorporated societies will need to re-register under the new Act.

The Incorporated Societies Bill was expected to be introduced to parliament in late 2019, however this has not yet occurred, and may be postponed due to the Government's current focus on the Covid-19 pandemic.

Once the Bill has been introduced, the Companies Office and MBIE will be undertaking an education campaign about the new incorporated societies regime.

In the meantime, we will update NZILA with further developments as they arise.

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#### 3 Branch reporting

The financial statements included the financial information of the branches this year, for the first time.

We received bank audit certificate for all branches, except for the Canterbury Branch. For this branch, we were able to agree the closing bank balance per Xero, to the bank statement provided to us.

For the next audit, as soon as we receive the bank audit certificates from ASB, we will check them against the bank accounts as listed in Xero, and will notify Vicki Clague immediately if any are missing. (We did have some difficulty this year in opening the security-encrypted documents as emailed to us by ASB, but now that our access is sorted, we should be able to open the documents straight away next time.)

#### 4 Required communications

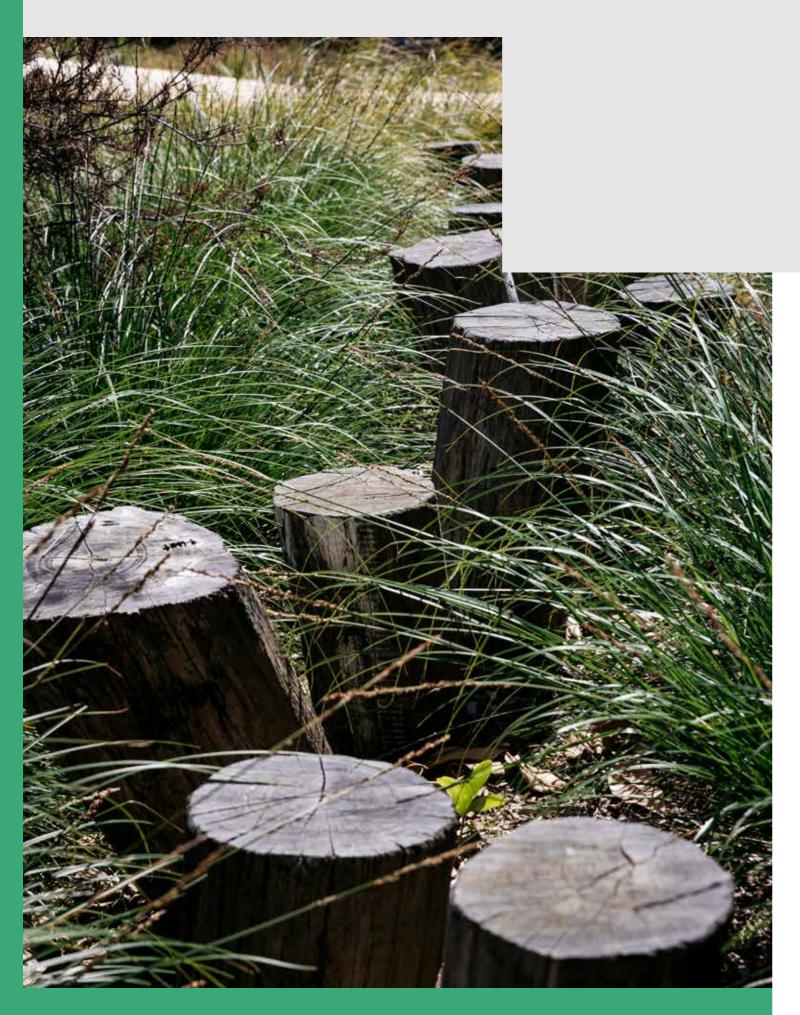
In compliance with auditing standards there are certain statements of acknowledgement that should be highlighted on an annual basis, as follows:

Matter to be communicated	Comments
Significant accounting policies adopted or changed	No changes in accounting policies.
Management judgements and estimates	No issues noted regarding key management judgements or estimates within the scope of this audit.
Adjusted and unadjusted audit misstatements	No material misstatements identified.
Disagreements with management	There have been no disagreements with management during the audit.
Any instances of fraud or non-compliance with	No instances of fraud or non-compliance were detected during
legislative, regulatory or contractual requirements	the audit.
Matters affecting the governance of the Committee	No matters arising.
Type of audit opinion	Unmodified audit opinion issued.
Significant deficiencies in internal control systems	No matters noted.
Non-audit fees and our independence	DIXON&CO has not conducted any other services on behalf of
	New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora
	Incorporated, and we have complied with relevant ethical
	requirements regarding independence.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Vicki Clague and Melanie Plaisted for their cooperation and assistance during the course of the audit. As usual, the financial records were clear and complete, and the financial statements were prepared to a high standard.

Yours faithfully

Kirsten Dixon DIXON&CO



# **Branch Reports**

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AUCKLAND BRANCH

Gabrielle Howdle

#### AUCKLAND BRANCH

#### **AUCKLAND BRANCH AGM 2018**

Date: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 - 4:00pm

**Location:** Boffa Miskell Offices

Minute Taker: Julia Wick

Present: Apologies:

Matthew Jones

Sally Peake

Xinxin Wang

Nicholas Fortier (Student Representative)

Rachel de Lambert

Ben Taylor

Vicki Clague

Matthew Bradbury

Rebecca Jerram

Julia Wick

Kieran Dove

William Hatton

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION REQUIRED
	MJ Intro	
2.0	Thanks BML for hosting.	
	Attendance & Apologies: As above.  Minutes from 2018 AGM	
	Minutes of the previous meeting approved RdL / NF JW will remove 'Draft' and add to NZILA records.  November minutes to be approved at February 2019 Committee meeting.	JW
3.0	Registration update: Refer registration report. (full report attached). Big year for Registration in Auckland and throughout NZ with 32 new registrations. 10 Auckland Established member was popular OW has stepped down from NZILA registration approval. Will now be BT and RJ.	МЈ

4.0	Finances:	ВТ
	BT provided summary of treasurer's reports. (full report attached).	
	Full on year with trying to close the Westpac account	
	Now have centralised structure for reporting and is aligned with the centralised	
	national body.	
	'Less is more' approach to the events.	
	Outstanding payments went out after 2018 AGM so expenditure would appear as	
	greater than previous year.	
	Sponsorship of events – 5 events were sponsored (Ankle to waist deep, 2x2,	
	Mossbach, drinks with exec and Christmas Base and 2x2).	
	Firth hosted event on permeable paving.	
	Thanks to BECA, Boffa Miskell, Isthmus, WSP	
	KD taken over wrangling sponsorship for events.	
	Sponsored x2 initiatives LF research and X-Section magazine.	
	Summary of expenditure – as per report.	
	Note: BT raised \$2k from national bank that was for the TMDA. This has not been	
	spent and should either be a) held to spend on correct event b) given back to	
	Executive. Need to confirm what is happening with TMDA by March 2020.	
	Thanks for Boffa Miskell and BECA for hosting events.	
	Nothing was allocated to term deposit for 2019 – however this is being reviewed for	
	2020 with the ASB account.	
	Auckland branch are still holding \$1475.70 for Northland. Early in 2020 should	
	contact Northland branch as to how they want to use this funding. Branch will contact	
	Northland.	
	Move the report be accepted SP / Seconded NF	
	Wove the report be accepted 31 / Seconded 11	
4.0	Chair Report:	MJ
	HC was not present and didn't talk to his report.	
	MJ provided summary of year events:	
	Below is a summary of what is typically in the chairs report:	
	Summary of events we have held this year include;	
	<ul> <li>April – AGM – Julian Bolleter event at the Cube</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>May – Graduate Evening (Ankle to waist deep) – BECA</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>July – Catherine Mosbach – Ellen Melville</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>September – Parking Day as part of Festival of Architecture</li> </ul>	
	November – Chch Conference	
	December – Xmas Party and 2x2	
	Other highlights — that would be part of the report:	
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	Great ongoing relationship with Nga Aho – Through Jacky and Will      Gligata Change Crawn (Vorganities) – Submission on the Zang Carlon Bill	
	Climate Change Group (Very active) – Submission on the Zero Carbon Bill,  Availand Council Climate Bearance France words and the City Control	
	Auckland Council Climate Response Frameworks and the City Centre	

Masterplan.

Ongoing relationship with UNITEC

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 Budget Summary • Registration Report No report to approve. 5.0 Election of the Incoming Committee. Chair: Matthew Jones (Nom MB 2<sup>nd</sup> RJ) Secretary: Gabrielle Howdle (Nom MJ 2<sup>nd</sup> GH) Treasurer: Ben Taylor (RdL / JW) Committee: Matthew Jones Gabrielle Howdle Ben Taylor Kieran Dove Matthew Bradbury Rachel de Lambert Nicholas Fortier William Hatton Rebecca Jerram Sally Peake **New Members** - Erin Diao Xinxin Wang Campbell Straughen Indicative first meeting Feb 12<sup>th.</sup> 2020. TBC by GH. Meeting closed at 5:00pm Followed by Xmas drinks at Bluestone Room Next meeting February 2020.

Auckland Branch
New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects Tuia Pito Ora
Annual General Meeting – Report 2019

#### 1.0 Introduction

The following report is a summary of the NZILA Auckland branch events and activities for the period December 2018 – December 2019.

#### 2.0 Summary of Branch Events

#### **Revolving Meetings**

Continuing the theme from the previous years, meetings in 2019 were held on an alternating basis between the offices of Boffa Miskell, Isthmus, LandLAB, BECA and WSP. This proved to be a successful and stimulating format again. Thanks to all the offices that hosted and provided the necessary quantum and quality of refreshments.

We managed to gain some good momentum on our branch activities in 2019. Organising and hosting a variety of events. The following is a summary of Branch events undertaken over the last 12 months;

#### ■ April – Julian Bolleter Event

NZILA Auckland branch sponsored the Landscape Foundation and Julian Bolleter (Assistant Professor at the Australian Urban Design Research Centre (AUDRC), University of Western Australia.) for a workshop with members. Topics covered were climate change and the Anthropocene, including workshopping Landscape Architects role in this.

#### May – Graduate Evening (Ankle to waist deep)

Graduate event was well attended with a number of graduates, students and new professionals. Seven speakers spoke for 8minutes each on different topics. Thankyou to BECA for hosting.

#### July – Catherine Mosbach

Thanks to the sponsorship of Streetscape the NZILA was pleased to welcome Catherine Mosbach (founder of Paris-based design form Mosbach Paysagistes). Catherine took the audience through a number of her international competition entries and built designs, explaining her philosophy around her work.

#### September – PARKing Day (Part of festival of architecture)

Now an annual event, this year's event featured several Auckland based practices, in collaboration with UNITEC students. Thanks to Kieran and Will from the committee for the organisation. The event was held in conjunction with the NZIA Festival of Architecture - with a number of architecture firms taking part with installations. Advertised through the NZIA media team, the event featured in a number of publications and social media channels. A hugely successful and collaborative event.

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#### November – Christchurch Conference

Members of the Auckland Branch attended the Christchurch Conference in early November. The conference featured a breadth of international and NZ speakers who brought a multitude of creative thinking and innovative solutions to the event. The conference was a real success and received strong feedback. Congratulations to the Christchurch branch and creative committee and executive team who made the event such a success.

#### December – Xmas Party and 2x2 (Bluestone Room)

A well-attended and fun Christmas party was held in early December at the Bluestone room. This included 2x2 presentations and NZILA Awards, presented to Julia Wick and John Potter. Again, the Christmas party proves to be the most attended event by membership throughout the year.

#### X-Section 9

The Branch agreed to assist the UNITEC Department of Landscape with \$1000.00 towards this year's costs to produce the X-Section journal.

#### **Auckland Council Urban Design Panel**

The proposed refresh of the Urban Design Panel was delayed and will take place in 2020. Julia Wick has been appointed to Panel Governance Board as representative for NZILA.

#### Relationship with the NZILA Executive

Henry Crothers and Julia Wick have been providing monthly updates to the NZILA Auckland Branch during 2019. The relationship is improving dramatically and the NZILA Auckland branch look forwards to working further with the National Executive on matters such as the governance review and Project LAG. It was noted in our discussions that Auckland Branch members strongly support increased communication, participation and awareness of Branch – Executive activities. With Henry Crothers and Julia Wick stepping down from the Auckland Branch, Julia Wick has agreed to provide monthly updates to the committee from the exec.

#### Ongoing relationship with Nga Aho

The NZILA Auckland Branch has benefited from ongoing relationship with Nga Aho / Te Tau a Nuku through members Will Hatton and Jacky Paul throughout 2019. Thankyou for their attendance at meetings and working together with us.

#### **Climate Change Group**

Many thanks to the time and effort of those involved in the Auckland Climate Change Group. Members include; Rachel de Lambert, Rebecca Jerram, Matthew Bradbury, Henry Crothers, Julia Wick and Georgia. The group were very active during 2019 and completed various submissions on behalf of the Auckland Branch including; submission on the Zero Climate Bill, Auckland Council Climate Response Framework and the City Centre Masterplan.

#### The Year Ahead – 2020 (and beyond)

A review of the previous annual report and the 2019 summary reinforces the key goals and outcomes for 2020, including but not limited to;

 Carefully planning Branch events, making them relevant and interesting to members and ensuring they contribute to the promotion of the profession (quality over quantity) We again discussed the need to have less events and focus on the quality;

- The creation of a critical, vibrant and engaging design culture and community within NZILA and Auckland;
- Increase participation from members and practices by making branch events relevant and appealing;
- the promotion of the profession through collaboration and alliances with other design professions, bodies and institutions across Auckland;
- Continuing to participate in public submission processes as they are one of the most effective ways to increase the profession's relevance, influence and respect
- Re-establish a working group between UNITEC and industry with a view to improving the program and output of graduates in relation to industry expectations; and
- Encourage representatives on the branch to have access to and the backing of their respective organisations to assist with Branch communications and activities
- It was noted that attendance at the Branch by various members remains inconsistent and that greater consistency and representation at a senior level on the branch will enhance its ability to support the needs of members, the Executive and delivery of quality events.

Overall 2019 has been another positive year for the Auckland Branch with adequate reserve funds maintained, a number of new and well attended events achieving good exposure for the Branch and NZILA as well as continued support within the committee from a diverse range of practices.

Julia Wick on behalf of Henry Crothers,

Auckland Branch Secretary 2013-2019

#### CANTERBURY WESTLAND BRANCH

#### **MINUTES OF 2019 AGM**

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Time: 5.30pm
Location: Botanic
Minute Taker: Tom Morrison

**1.0 WELCOME BY THE CHAIR** Louise Bailey welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked them for their attendance.

ATTENDANCE Matt Lester, Louise Bailey, Tom Morrison, Jennifer Dray, Grant Edge, Tracey Ower, Neil challenger, Sean Dixon, Nik Kneale, Mees van Wagtendonk, Fraser Graham, Fraser Miller, Greg Bell, Jorden Derecourt, Ana Clara Comerlato, Sara Gerard, Troy Fan, Mike Pentecost, Charlotte Calder and Aimily Li

Moved by Louise Bailey and seconded by Tom Morrison

- 2.0 APOLOGIES Jacky Bowring, Mike Barthelmeh, Peter Rough, Nicki Williams, Leicester Murray, Hannah Dow, Brad Parkes, Katie Chilton, Don Royds, Dave Compton-Moen, Holly Seath.

  Moved by Grant Edge and seconded by Jennifer Dray
- 3.0 CONFIRMATION OF 2018 AGM MINUTES Moved by Tim Reid and seconded by Sean Dixon.
- 4.0 ANNUAL REPORTS

**CHAIRPERSONS REPORT** – Louise Bailey

- Refer attached report.
- Broad recognition of the multiple supporting groups and connections the Westland Branch has managed to foster within the past several years.
- Reminder to register for the NZILA conference in November
- Recognition of the successful events held over the past year
  - o FEASTA
  - o Catherine Moscbach
  - o SPECTRUM
- Recognition of Di Lucas and Jacky Bowring's achievements.
- Announcement of new secretary's
- Louise Bailey announced she was to be stepping down after another successful tenure as Branch President.
- Accepted by Matt Lester and seconded by Tracey Ower

#### FINANCIAL REPORT - Matt Lester

- Refer attached report
- Year started with \$11,331 and finished with \$10,124. This led to an overall deficit of \$1.207.
- Final year income of \$6,506, mostly achieved through the branch levy with other sources contributing to the total including Lincoln university.
- Final year expenditure was \$7,714 with 25% spent on education events and 58% on social events.
- Summary of the new financial arrangement with a new national executive structure.

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- Recognition of several ongoing issues to be addressed with the executive branch relating to these changes.
- Accepted by Neil Challenger and seconded by Sean Dixon

#### **REGISTRATION REPORT** – Neil Challenger

- Refer attached report
- Celebrating the 5 members who have finished of their interviews, with a total of 18 candidates in the registration process.
- Recognition of the 9 candidates preparing for their interview at the end of the year.
- Celebrating all the work of the participants, mentors, speakers and people and practices who help support the registration process.
- Congratulations to the successful candidates who applied for their registration.
- Accepted by Nik Kneale and seconded by Charlotte

#### **GRADUATE REPORT** – Tom Morrison / Hannah Dow

- Refer attached report
- Celebrating the success of the past year
- Announcing the ongoing support for grad events into next year.
- Recognising the supportive role the graduate reps have had this year to bolster event attendees.
- Accepted by Matt Lecester Seconded by Louise Bailey

#### STUDENT REPORT – Charlotte Calder / Aimily Li

- Refer attached report
- Summary of activities achieved throughout the year, including the upcoming event to be held in November.
- Current reps to be stepping down with new reps, Holly Seath and Troy Fan, to take over the role into 2020.
- Accepted by Matt Lecester Seconded by Sean Dixon

#### 5.0 ELECTION OF OFFICES

Nik Kneale and Don Royds stood down from the committee. Louise Bailey stood down as president and from the branch committee. Leicster Murray and Nicki Williams stood down as secretary. Election as follows:

Chair: Matt Lester (Unopposed) – Sean Dixon and Nik Kneale. Matt took the chair for the

remainder of the meeting.

Secretary: Hannah Dow, Tim Reid and Tom Morrison in a shared role – Matt Lester and Sean

Dixon

**Treasurer:** Matt Lester (Unopposed) – This is on a temporary basis until a replacement can be

found.

**Committee:** The following members expressed an interest in being on the board:

Sean Dixon – Tom Morrison / Matt Lester Neil Challenger – Matt Lester / Sean Dixon Amy Li – Charlotte Calder / Louise Bailey Charlotte Calder – Louise Bailey / Aimily Li Tom Morrison – Matt Lester / Mike Pentecost Neil Challenger – Matt Lester / Sean Dixon Mees van Wagtendonk – Sean Dixon / Tom Morrison Ana Clara Comerlato – Sean Dixon / Tim Reid Troy Fan – Charlotte Calder / Louise Bailey

The following members were elected in absence:
Brad Parkes – Sean Dixon / Tim Reid
Nicki Williams – Louise Bailey / Neil Challenger
Leicester Murray – Tim Reid / Louise Bailey
Hannah Dow – Matt Lester / Louise Bailey
Holly Scath – Charlotte Calder / Louise Bailey
Katie Chilton – Nik Neale / Sean Dixon
Sara Gerard – Neil Challenger / Tracey Ower

#### 6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

- Sean Dixon thanked Louise Bailey for her service to the Canterbury Westland Branch and presented her with a gift as a token of appreciation.
- Announcement of the next cycle of AGMs to begin in January to line up better with both financial reporting and event organisation.
- Grant Edge raised his running for local elections in North Canterbury.

#### 7.0 MEETING CLOSED – 6.32pm

#### CANTERBURY WESTLAND BRANCH OF THE NZILA

#### AGM -12 September 2019

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT - LOUISE BAILEY**

The last year has brought a wide range of events attracting members to the events that are most relevant to their professional interests. Our affiliation with like-minded organizations has made the selection of CPD events enormous. These organisations include but are not limited to, Te Putahi Christchurch centre for architecture + city-making, Christchurch conversations, New Zealand Institute of Architects, New Zealand Planning Institute, Matapopore, CCC, UDF, Gap Filler. We apologise if you feel that your inbox is often inundated with possibilities, but we are fortunate to have so many CPD options.

It has again been a busy year and the best is yet to come with the NZILA Conference being held in Christchurch Town Hall 7, 8 November and SOLA 50th Anniversary earlier in that same week. If you have not yet registered for either event there is still time. The line-up of speakers at the conference is exciting and it promises to be stimulating and disruptive two or three days.

Following this report, you will hear the activities from other portfolio holders covering the issues that they have been managing.

#### **CPD** and social Events

Very often a CPD event is combined with an opportunity to chat over a few drinks and food keeping communication between our members alive.

10-22 Oct- The FESTA/ FEASTA our team of enthusiastic landscape architects put on a colourful and environmentally thought-provoking installation. We thank the creative team for exposing our profession to the wider public audience.

Following last year's AGM was "The Language of Light", on 17 October introducing the principles of light presented and hosted by Energylight. This also provided the opportunity to see the design proposal for NZILA entry into FESTA. I recall the food being particularly good and Bizdojo provided a convivial space in one of the new central city lanes.

Leading up to Christmas was Spectrum student exhibition, held at the Christchurch Transitional Cathedral. We commend the students on their choice of venue that received wide public exposure and the execution of a very polished event.

Leicester Murray arranged a wonderful day out with the Hidden Landscape bus tour to Waipara on 24 November. I was disappointed that I was not able to partake, but those who did had a day full of special treats including truffle butter scones for morning tea.

Botanic on The Terraces seems to suit us well and as the AGM last year was a great success, we couldn't resist going back for more for our Christmas gathering that was well attended, and here we are again!

Matt Lester and I attended the NZIA Christmas drinks at NZIA rooms, Cambridge Tce. It is a beautiful spot opening to the garden and full of the typical delights of Sir Miles Warren architecture. Mike Callaghan the president of the NZIA Canterbury generously offered NZILA the rooms at no cost any time we would like to use them for our own gatherings.

We took advantage of this offer on 28 Feb when branch members were given the opportunity to meet Executive committee members as well as gathering to congratulate Di Lucas, in receiving the New Year Honour of NZ Order of Merit. We are proud to have such prestigious members in our branch.

Bettina Lamm a visiting Danish Landscape architect spoke on 26 March at Warren & Mahoney studio. Danish landscape architect Bettina Lamm shared her direct experiences in co-designing public spaces with children on the 26 March at Warren & Mahone). NZILA contributed to the sponsorship of the presentation organised by Christchurch Conversations.

Another cause for celebration brought us to the Pegasus Arms on 10 May, to congratulate Jacky Bowring and her admission of Fellow of NZILA. The opportunity was also taken to congratulate Landscape architects who had recently become Registered.

The NZILA Executive are providing CPD events that travel through throughout the country assisted with outside sponsorship. The first of these for Canterbury Westland was the lighting seminar with MHL & We-ef held at the Christchurch Botanic Gardens 6<sup>th</sup> June. Unfortunately, it was the most miserable of winter days and the attendance was low. However, those of us who were there did our best to eat and drink our way through the delicious food and beverages offered by the generous sponsors.

The second of these national events was the on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August with the Streetscape Catherine Mosbach lecture at Christchurch Town Hall. Those who attended enjoyed the opportunity to hear of Catherine's work around the world and the Q&A hosted by Jacky Bowring opened-up interesting discussion in relation to her practice in Paris. It was great to see many students who also participated in the Q&A. We were grateful to SOLA at Lincoln University for additional sponsorship to cover the cost of the venue at the Town Hall. While Streetscape brought Catherine to New Zealand and covered her accommodation other expenses in each city were managed by the branch.

It was a cold wet evening that Friday as some headed to Casa Publica following the presentation for an informal gathering with Catherine. In the evening Catherine and Paul Salmon were joined over dinner and lively conversation by a group of branch members, representatives from Lincoln University and Jim Lunday.

The following day I drove Catherine to Banks Peninsula for some much-needed country air and to give her some time out from a whirlwind visit to New Zealand. She commented that she loved the South Island especially the lamb at dinner.

#### Membership and Committee

Membership of landscape architects for our branch is gradually creeping up with 133, 2017; 144, 2018 and 152 current members, plus our student members. Our relationship with Lincoln University is strong and we work together to provide balance between professional practice and the academic environment.

#### Events to note:

Although we have come to the end of a financial year the work continues and we have some great events lined up.

6<sup>th</sup> November is the SOLA 50th celebration and a day is planned to catch-up with graduates of Lincoln University who may have travelled from far and wide.

As mentioned, the NZILA Conference Disruption is being held on the 7,8<sup>th</sup> November.

Di Lucas has alerted us to the 11<sup>th</sup> INTECOL international wetlands conference 18-23 October 2020, to be hosted in Christchurch so, we hope that many of you will take advantage of this being in our home town.

Thanks, must be given to the committee who work behind the scenes to maintain an active branch. Last year a younger crew came on board and they have been wonderful in jumping in and helping-out as required. We are at a point of change with Nicky Williams and Leicester Murray both stepping down from their role as joint Secretary. Sharing the role has worked well and hopefully has not been too onerous. Thank you both for your commitment and dedication and to your support of me in the role of Chair.

We are always keen to have new committee members on board with fresh ideas and energy to give direction and contribution to what is for us a very rewarding and enjoyable role in our profession. I am stepping down as Chair and leaving the committee to allow time to focus on the masters that I have undertaken through Lincoln University. You are in good hands with those who have been on the committee for some time who know the process and hopefully we will have new committee members who will inject a new perspective and ideas.

Louise Bailey,

Chair 2019,

NZILA Canterbury / Westland Branch