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Dear Garrick

### **Official Information Request: Eden Hore Fashion Collection**

Thank you for your correspondence dated 28 November 2018 in relation to the Eden Hore fashion collection. I have attached a series of documents to help answer your questions, as follows:

1. Council decisions and relevant business cases relating to the purchase and value of the Eden Hore Central Otago collection. Please find attached the following documents:
  - Report to Council recommending the purchase of the collection, plus Council's resolution (Minutes)
  - PowerPoint presentation by Dr Jane Malthus, explaining the value of the collection
  - Insurance valuation of the Collection (November 2013)
  - Report to Council explaining the background to and results from the feasibility study (commissioned through funding from Lotteries)
  - Feasibility study on the long term care, management and display of the Eden Hore fashion collection (Note: Sections 10 and 11 provide information on the proposed strategic coalition model and the assessment of costs and benefits respectively)
  
2. A list of collection items:

The complete collection catalogue is contained in the attached spreadsheet. Images of a selection of the garments can be seen in the attached PowerPoint presentations.

3. The current status of the collection:

The Eden Hore Central Otago collection is currently held in storage at Central Stories Museum and Gallery, Alexandra. The fragility of this textiles collection limits its ability to be on display for long periods, unless strict display standards can be met. These standards are explained within the Eden Hore Fashion Collection Collections Policy.

4. Exhibitions and displays since 2013:

- Central Stories exhibition – *Wool Away: A history of Sheep and Stations in Central Otago* (4 garments at Central Stories Museum and Gallery) – 4 March to 4 May, 2014
- *Wool On 2014* (8 garments on display at the venue, over two days)
- Governor General visit 2015 (7 garments on display plus a selection of boxes with garments still in them)
- Doris Raymond visit 2015 (9 garments on display)
- Benson and Hedges Exhibition, Dunedin Public Art Gallery 2017 (two Benson & Hedges award winners – Dunlap and Schepp) – 11 March to 25 June, 2017
- Object Space exhibition, Auckland 2017 (2 garments of Susan Holmes) – 1 November 2016 to 4 February 2017

A project steering group for Eden Hore Central Otago is currently working towards a photoshoot and official re-launch of the collection. This photo shoot is scheduled for Spring 2019.

I trust the information provided is sufficient.

Yours sincerely



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