

# GOVERNANCE POLICY

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## 1 Purpose

To provide a framework for the development and delivery of lifelong learning opportunities at the Auckland War Memorial Museum that reflect the core functions of the Museum and relate to the needs and interests of all visitors, volunteers and staff.

## 2 Definitions

*Lifelong Learning* encompasses both the delivery of knowledge and the learning skills and strategies that encourage ongoing self-directed learning.

*Lifelong Learning* applies to all people throughout their lives and has no boundaries of time, place, delivery or motivation. It includes formal and informal education, Professional Development and training

## 3 Policy Statement

The Auckland War Memorial Museum makes a commitment to Lifelong Learning for its visitors, volunteers and staff in acknowledgement that, for reasons of both human and social capital, we must all constantly improve our knowledge and skills. Changing demographics of age and ethnicity increase the responsibility for the Auckland Museum to provide for Lifelong Learning. The principles implicit in this policy document are integral to the work of all staff and volunteers, and the experiences of all visitors.

## 4 Key Policy Points

- 4.1 Lifelong Learning will be incorporated in all Strategic and Business Planning.
- 4.2 The Auckland Museum will facilitate and promote the use of its collections, facilities, information resources and services as a resource for teaching and learning.
- 4.3 Opportunities for Lifelong Learning will be incorporated in the development of exhibitions, learning resources and public activity programs.
- 4.4 At the Auckland War Memorial Museum, learning opportunities provided by educational interpretive services will generally relate to exhibitions based on the key collection areas and to opportunities provided by travelling exhibitions.

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- 4.5 The Auckland Museum will actively participate in networks and partnerships that enable action for mutual benefit, and in particular the involvement of the education community in planning, delivery and evaluation of learning programs for students of all ages.
- 4.6 The Auckland Museum is committed to providing Lifelong Learning experiences that are informed by best practice evidence of teaching and learning.
- 4.7 The Auckland Museum will ensure that regular ongoing self-review and evaluation provides the basis for continuous improvement of learning products and services.