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## Join The NZ-UK Link Foundation

The NZ-UK Link helps New Zealanders to realise their dreams to work or study at the top British organisations in their chosen fields and gives its Friends opportunities to hear and meet notable British visitors to our country.

Many countries enjoy positive diplomatic relations with each other but few possess the depth, vibrancy and strength of the partnership between the UK and New Zealand. This partnership was cemented by the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840 and to mark its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary the NZ-UK Link Foundation was established to enhance our societies at national, organisational and individual levels by promoting intellectual, educational, professional, cultural and creative collaborations between our two countries

### Our Focus

The future - fuelling the ideas and innovations of tomorrow and encouraging talent

The present - exchanges that share, and build on, world leading practices

The past - celebrating and honouring our shared heritage.

We invest in people because of the connections they create and the change they inspire. The Link enables outstanding individuals to travel, work and research their areas of interest. In our first 25 years, we have supported more than 250 individuals (and many groups) with over \$2 million of funding in such diverse fields as science, education, music, art, industry, hospitality, academia, agriculture, viticulture, journalism, fashion design, and environmental and conservation issues.

These experiences are life-changing for individuals, but also spark wider cultural exchange and deepening relations between our countries.

### How you can help and what we offer

The Link has achieved much these 25 years and now we want to build on that success, with your help.

Among our plans for the near future is establishing a network in Auckland so that our many Friends of the Link in that area will have functions and events to attend. A Christchurch network will follow.

- Your subscription or donation will enable us, with our London Board of Trustees, to develop scholarships for New Zealanders to attend leading UK institutions.
- It will assist others who have a reason to go to Britain to enhance their skills or advance their research.
- Friends of the Link will receive invitations to talks by returning scholarship winners and visiting British VIPs, to functions at Homewood (the British High Commissioner's residence in Wellington) and in Auckland and special offers from our partner organisations.
- You will receive the Friends' newsletter with news of our progress and grants.
- Our website will contain information not only about the Link in New Zealand and the UK and also about events put on by our partner organisations.

The NZ-UK Link Foundation has charitable status in both countries. There is a Board of Trustees in UK and a Management Committee in New Zealand, with independent finances. The Link has offices in each High Commission and the High Commissioners are Trustees.

#### Some recent activity

**Music:** The Elman Poole Fellowship enables the winner of auditions conducted by the Dunedin Symphony Orchestra to spend a season with the Southbank Sinfonia in London. Annual awards have been made since 2007.

**Literature:** The Link assisted Dr Gerri Kimber, an associate lecturer with the Open University and chair of the International Katherine Mansfield Society, during her time in New Zealand.

**Art:** Link funds enabled Mary Kissler to travel to UK and Europe to further her efforts to compile a comprehensive record of all the works of Frances Hodgkins, preparatory to an exhibition of the artist's paintings.

**Business:** Since 2009 the Cranfield School of Management has provided an annual scholarship to enable the winning applicant to attend its one-year MBA course at its Milton Keynes campus.

**History:** The Link provided for Jeremy Smith, Manager of Olveston Historic Home in Dunedin to attend the Attingham Trust Summer School, visiting many of Britain's stately homes over a period of 18 days.

**Education:** The Link assisted the Scots College Pipe Band to tour Scotland and perform in several competitions, gaining excellent results. They built links with Scottish schools and maximised the musical and cultural potential of each of the sixteen boys.

**Public policy and governance:** Professor William Webster from the University of Stirling was the Link's first Visiting Professor to New Zealand. He was attached to Victoria University's School of Government. Professor Webster is a recognised expert on the governance and regulation of privacy and data protection and the implications of contemporary technologically intensive surveillance systems.

**Wine Industry:** Through a scholarship established with Wine Marlborough, wine industry professionals from alternately the UK and New Zealand have travelled to the other country to study the wine industry there.

#### Our next event:

With our partners, the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs, we have organised a panel discussion on the theme, "NZ-UK Links in a post-Brexit world", exploring aspects of cultural, artistic, diplomatic, culinary and other career-development significance. Please come and join the discussion, with refreshments afterwards.

Details: 5:30 to 7:30 9 July 2019, in the Council Chamber of the Hunter Building, Victoria University, Kelburn Parade, Wellington. Free to Friends of the Link and members of the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs.

Help the work of the Link by joining our Friends for \$95.00 per year per person or couple (\$45.00 per person for under 25's) for the year to June 2019. An additional tax deductible donation would also be much appreciated.

Please make payment to the Link Foundation for NZ-UK Relations ANZ Bank account number

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