

Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Trust Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2018

This is the ninth annual report of the Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Trust, presented by the Chair Hoani Langsbury at the Annual General Meeting held on the 15th October 2018:

The Chair emphasized that this last year has seen big changes with the launch of the Predator Free Dunedin project within the framework of the national Predator Free 2050 initiative.

OPBG is one of the main delivery partners and the group controlling possum numbers on the Peninsula with close to 17,000 possums removed so far. He also stressed the importance to review and update our policies, especially the Health & Safety plans.

A data management system is in development in conjunction with Predator Free Dunedin.

Hoani thanked all the Trustees for their work and effort during the year, be that in operations or in their respective roles.

He also acknowledged the substantial work that is carried out by the operations and volunteer teams under Bruce and Kate. Possum numbers have been reduced significantly in some areas and there is a growing base of new volunteers, especially in Sector 5.