

Eskbank House Museum

Actions included in the 2019/20 Operational Plan support the following objectives included in the Community Strategic Plan 2030:

- SE2 We encourage economic growth and diversity

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- Built c.1841, Eskbank House was one of the first homes in the Lithgow Valley. It was owned by important industrialists Thomas Brown, James Rutherford, William Sandford and the Hoskins Brothers.
- Eskbank House is a rare intact early Victorian town villa and outbuildings and has been nominated for State Heritage listing.
- Opened to the public in 1966, it is one of the earliest house museums in the country.
- As a regional museum, the collections reflect the industrial and social history of the Lithgow region including the important Black Roses, Sutton-Leake Quilt, Sir Joseph Cook Collection, and the Lithgow Pottery Collection.

Plans & Strategies

- Eskbank House Conservation Management
- Cultural Plan
- Cultural Precinct Plan

SE2 – WE ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DIVERSITY

DELIVERY PLAN (2017-2021)	OPERATIONAL PLAN (2019-2020)			
Delivery Program Action (4 years)	Action	Performance Measure	Target	Responsible Department
SE2.3 The cultural diversity and rich heritage of the Lithgow LGA is celebrated.	SE2.3.1 Eskbank House Museum is open and operational 5 days per week.	Number of visitors to Eskbank House Museum.	10% increase per annum	Community and Culture
	SE2.3.2 Events and activities developed to promote Eskbank House Museum and its collections.	Exhibitions and public programs delivered.	4 per annum	
	SE2.3.3 Upgrade display and exhibition equipment at Eskbank House Museum.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection systematically catalogued and interpretive materials developed. Display and exhibition equipment upgraded within budget allocation. 	100% complete	
	SE2.3.4 Undertake a program of capital improvements to Eskbank House Museum based on the 10 year program as identified through the Conservation Management Plan.	Capital improvements undertaken within budget.	100% complete	
	SE2.3.5 Develop marketing/communications for Eskbank House Museum.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop promotional material and communication content as required. Develop and implement the Eskbank House Interpretation project. 	100% complete	
SE2.3 The cultural diversity and rich heritage of the Lithgow LGA is celebrated.	SE2.3.5 Develop marketing/communications for Eskbank House Museum.	Promote Eskbank House and its connections with other heritage sites through participation in combined museum events and promotions.	100% participation	Community and Culture
		School visits to Eskbank House Museum.	2 per annum	