

Generally, the proposals have been very well received in principle, but negotiations are continuing and it is too early yet to judge our success. Major decisions by Government will be necessary in respect of roading plans and of preserving and earthquake-proofing the building, but it should have an immediate life of at least ten years, within which time it can be made an essential part of Wellington's cultural life and heritage.

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Annual General Meeting

Following the Annual General Meeting on 4 July Professor P. A. W. Collins, Professor of English at the University of Leicester, gave an animated and entertaining lecture on 'The Victorians and tears'. On this occasion the Friends were pleased to have as their guests members of the Victorian Studies Association of New Zealand.