

# Community Connection

Supported by CARE, NZAG and Age Concern

**Hunter Centre (1.20/1.21)**

**Day 3, Friday 5 December 2025**

*Draft program (Subject to change)*

Time	Programme
<b>1:30-1:40</b>	Welcome from CARE, NZAG and Age Concern Paula O’Kane, Ngaire Kerse and Mike Williams
<b>1:40-2:40</b>	Expert Panel 1: <b>The Digital Age of Ageing</b> (Facilitated by Paula O’Kane, Otago Business School   University of Otago) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kristen Beardsmore (Age Concern Otago)</li><li>• Helen Owen (Department of Marketing   University of Otago)</li><li>• Tara Puspitarini Sani (Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences   The University of Auckland)</li></ul>
<b>2:40-3:00</b>	<b>Community Showcase 1: Qigong Showcase from Margaret Dando (Age Concern Otago)</b>
<b>3:00-3:30</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
<b>3:30-4:20</b>	Expert Panel 2: <b>Local Sparks: The Energy of Community</b> (Facilitated by Debra Waters, University of Otago) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Margaret Dando (Age Concern Otago)</li><li>• M Tawfique Rahman (Department of Geography   University of Otago)</li><li>• Francine Hill (Age Concern   Hauraki Coromandel)</li><li>• Lynne Taylor (Theology Programme   University of Otago)</li><li>• Alison Talmage (Centre for Brain Research   University of Auckland)</li></ul>
<b>4:20-4:30</b>	<b>Community Showcase 2: Rhythm of Life Dance Group from the RASA School of Dance</b>
<b>4:30-4:45</b>	<b>Community Showcase 3: Dunedin Star Singers</b>
<b>4:30-5:30pm</b>	<b>Reception</b>

