

2026-27 Local Heritage Fund

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Eligibility

* indicates a required field

Applicants: please note

Before completing this application form, you should have read the Local Heritage Fund Guidelines, which can be found [HERE](#).

Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you are eligible for this grant. It's crucial that you complete these questions before any others to ensure you do not waste your time applying for an unsuitable grant.

If you have any questions in regards to these eligibility criteria, please contact us on 1300 087 004 .

Confirmation of Eligibility

Who Can Apply?

Owners of eligible heritage projects, on heritage items listed on Schedule 5 of Council's Local Environmental Plans (LEPs) are eligible to apply for funding.

The schedules of heritage items in Council's current Local Environmental Plans are available here:

[Former Murray Shire](#)

[Former Wakool Shire](#) **What projects can be funded?**

The LHF provides funding for conservation works (labour and materials) for privately owned heritage items listed on Schedule 5 of Council's LEPs.

Projects funded may include (and not be limited to):

- Heritage conservation works
- Heritage maintenance works
- Heritage enhancement works
- Adaptive reuse projects

For all works on privately owned heritage items, each property owner must:

- Obtain any required approvals and permits, including those under the Heritage Act 1977, National Parks and Wildlife Service Act 1974 and/or local council planning and building requirements before commencing works
- Seek the advice of a heritage specialist where necessary
- Use suitably qualified and experienced tradespeople
- Ensure all works meet appropriate heritage standards

Funding will not be provided for:

- Any works on Council owned heritage items

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- New buildings
- Routine maintenance (e.g. lawn mowing, gutter cleaning, or carpet cleaning)
- Projects where adequate funding is available from the applicant or other sources
- New commemorative monuments or works
- Purchasing heritage buildings
- Relocating buildings or work done to relocated buildings
- Private headstones, unless there is no possibility of descendent support for the project
- Floodlighting of heritage buildings
- Purchasing equipment
- Moveable railway heritage items.

ALL PROJECTS MUST BE COMPLETED, REPORT SUBMITTED AND FUNDING CLAIMED BY 15 APRIL 2027.

Do you and your project meet the above eligibility requirements? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

Contact Details

* indicates a required field

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Applicant Details

Applicant name (organisation or individual) *

Organisation Name

Please use your full name. Check your spelling and make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

Applicant Primary Address *

Address

Address Line 1 and Suburb/Town are required.

Applicant Postal Address

Address

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Applicant website

Must be a URL

Primary contact person *

Title First Name Last Name

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This is the person we will correspond with about this grant

Position held in organisation (if relevant)

e.g. Manager, Board Member, Fundraising Coordinator

Primary phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Back-up phone number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Primary contact person's email address *

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Project Details

* indicates a required field

Project title: *

Provide a name for your project. Your title should be short but descriptive

Project location:

What is the address of the heritage item that is the subject of this application?

Address *

Address

Are you the owner of this property?

☐ Yes

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☐ No

Is this property listed on Schedule 5 of Council's LEP (Council's heritage list)?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Anticipated start date *

Must be a date and between 1/10/2026 and 1/10/2027.
PROJECTS CAN NOT START BEFORE 1 OCTOBER 2026

Anticipated end date *

Must be a date and no later than 15/4/2026.
PROJECTS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE 15 APRIL 2027.

Please confirm your project can be completed by 15 April 2027 *

☐ Yes, my project can be completed by 15 April 2027 ☐ No, my project cannot be completed by 15 April 2027

Please note, if your project cannot be completed by 15 April 2026, you will not be eligible for funding.

Please provide a short summary of your project *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Be descriptive, but succinct. Include a brief summary of what you will do (i.e. the activities you will perform), and what effects you expect to result from your activities (outcomes). Go to the Funding Centre's Answers Bank at <https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/answersbank#Qu1> if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Project Rationale: What is the need and how will you address it? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Tell us why your project is needed, and why you believe the activities you propose will produce the outcomes you seek. Go to the Funding Centre's Answers Bank at <https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/answersbank#Qu2> if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Alignment - How will your initiative help restore, conserve and promote our region's heritage? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Go to the Funding Centre's Answers Bank at <https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/answersbank#Qu3> if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Please upload any letters of support, or other supporting documents (if available/ relevant)

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Attach a file:

A maximum of 5 files can be attached

What are the major steps / stages (i.e. milestones) involved in delivering your initiative?

Milestone	Start Date (if known)	Finish Date (if known)	Location (if relevant)	Notes
e.g. planning; major activities; evaluation	Provide approximate date or leave blank if unknown or dependent on unknown factors Must be a date.	Provide approximate date or leave blank if unknown or dependent on unknown factors Must be a date.	(e.g. add address, suburb, region if known; otherwise type 'unknown' or 'not applicable')	Add explanatory notes if required

Inputs (Budget)

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Total Amount Requested

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What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

Total Project Cost *

What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Budget (GST exclusive)

Please outline your project budget in the income and expenditure tables below, including details of other funding that you have applied for, whether it has been confirmed or not. All amounts should be GST exclusive.

Provide clear descriptions for each budget item in the 'Income' and 'Expenditure' columns. Examples of income could include 'applicant contribution', or 'fundraising activities'. Examples of expenses could include 'paint', 'building materials', 'plumber'.

IN THE FIRST ROW OF THE INCOME SECTION, YOU MUST LIST THE AMOUNT YOU ARE REQUESTING FROM THIS GRANT.

Use the 'Notes' column for any additional information you think we should be aware of.

Your budget **MUST** balance (TOTAL INCOME AMOUNT = TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT).

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Please **do not add commas** to figures – e.g. type \$1000 not \$1,000 – this will ensure your figures for each table total correctly.

Income Description	Income Type	Confirmed Fund Income?	Income Amount (\$)	Notes
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	

Expenditure Description	Expenditure Type	Expenditure Amount (\$)	Notes
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Income - Expenditure

This number/amount is calculated.

Please attach quotes for those expenditure (cost) items over \$500

Attach a file:

What other inputs (e.g. volunteer time, equipment etc) will you need in order to successfully carry out this project?

Non-financial inputs could include staff/volunteers time/expertise, equipment, facilities, pro bono or in-kind contributions, advocacy, and other types of support.	

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Applicant Capacity

Now that we know about your project, we want to find out more about your ability to undertake the work you propose. Please provide some information about you that will give us confidence that you can complete the work you've described in this application.

Include in this section information about your strategies for providing the inputs (money, staff/ volunteers time/expertise, equipment, facilities, pro bono or in-kind contributions, advocacy, etc.) and how you will complete this project within the proposed timelines. Provide information also about any past work that may demonstrate your capacity to undertake this work. Provide links to further explanatory material if available/relevant.

Would you like access to Council's Heritage Advisor Service in relation to this project?

- ☐ No thank you
☐ Yes please

Certification and Feedback

* indicates a required field

Certification

This section must be completed by an appropriately authorised person on behalf of the applicant (may be different to the contact person listed earlier in this application form).

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if the applicant is approved for this grant, we will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the letter of approval (INCLUDING CONFIRMATION THAT THE PROJECT CAN BE COMPLETED BEFORE 15 APRIL 2027).

I agree *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Name of authorised person *

Title

First Name

Last Name

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Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

Position *

E.g. Property owner, or position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

Contact phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

Contact Email *

Must be an email address.

Date *

Must be a date

Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the application process. Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please indicate how you found the online application process:

☐ Very easy ☐ Easy ☐ Neutral ☐ Difficult ☐ Very difficult

Approximately how many minutes in total did it take you to complete this application? *

Estimate in minutes i.e. 1 hour = 60

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.