

# Living Heritage Grants Program

## Major Building Projects 2020/21

In 2020-21 \$3 million will support the safeguarding and reactivation of two iconic Victorian heritage places through the Major Building Grants stream of the Living Heritage Grants Program. The projects selected for the Major Building Grants stream are places included in the Victorian Heritage Register, that have highly complex conservation needs exceeding traditional grant funding amounts.

These projects are part of the Victorian Government's \$2.7 billion Building Works package. This funding includes support for tourism, solar, the environment, water and infrastructure and includes projects in bushfire-affected areas to rebuild and upgrade important local assets.

The Living Heritage Grants Program is an initiative of the Victoria State Government and supports the repair and conservation of 'at risk' heritage places and objects identified as being of State significance and included in the Victorian Heritage Register under the provisions of the *Heritage Act 2017*.



### **Maryborough Olympic Swimming Complex**

Central Goldfields Shire Council

A grant of \$2 million will allow the Central Goldfields Shire Council to undertake urgent conservation works to Maryborough Olympic Swimming Complex. Built in the late 1930s, the construction was partly funded by State government unemployment schemes. The pool basins were dug out by hand by local unemployed labourers. They worked on the site leaving their initials outlined in the Octagonal Pool hexagonal tiles. This project will safeguard this inter-war icon and ensure the people of Maryborough and visitors alike can enjoy this historic community pool for generations to come.



### **McCrae Lighthouse**

Mornington Peninsula Shire

A grant of \$1 million will fund Mornington Peninsula Shire to undertake urgent conservation works to McCrae Lighthouse. The present light was erected in McCrae in 1883 and is the highest light in Port Phillip Bay. Today, it is a Mornington Peninsula landmark and tourist attraction. The grant will fund repairs to the gutters, windows, balcony, and copper dome as well as sandblasting and repainting of the riveted iron structure. These works will safeguard the historic lighthouse for current and future generations and provide economic stimulus to the region.

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