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## LIVING HERITAGE GRANTS PROGRAM 2018 ROUND 3 APPLICATIONS CLOSING SOON

Applications for Round 3 of the Living Heritage Grants Program close on **13 April 2018**. To find out if you are eligible, please read the *2018 Program Guidelines*. To apply, follow the link to the online application portal at <https://www.heritage.vic.gov.au/grants/living-heritage-program>.

## VPELA DISCUSSION: [Is planning getting in the way of good design?](#)

Thurs 22 March - It's the age-old debate about whether planning and its inherent mandate to control development gets in the way of good urban design. Join an expert panel for a lively discussion (Q and A Style) to debate the merits of planning and its influences, both positive and negative, on the built form.

## NEW BUSHFIRE ADVISORY NOTE

On 12 December 2017 the Minister for Planning amended Clauses 10 and 13.05 in the State Planning Policy Framework. The updated policy provides more directive strategies to manage bushfire risk in planning and decision making. [Advisory Note 68: Bushfire State Planning Policy - Amendment VC140](#) clarifies the operation of the updated framework and strategies.

## PLANET COURSES & YEAR IN REVIEW

Thurs 22 March - [Introduction to VCAT - The Hearing](#); Wed 4 April - [Recognising Architectural Styles](#); Mon 9 April - [How to Deal with Conflict](#) - NEW; Fri 13 April - [The A-Z of Planning - JUST ADDED](#); Tues 17 April - [Effective Strategic Planning](#); Thurs 19 April - [Preparing and Assessing a Bushfire Management Statement](#); Tues 24 April - [Understanding Ecological Sustainable Development](#). Tues 13 March - [2017: Legislative Year in Review](#).

Presented by Laurie Hewet, Senior Member of the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal, this seminar will reflect on 2017, discussing relevant legislative amendments and significant decisions of the Tribunal and the Supreme Court over the previous 12 months and their implications for planning practice.

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## APPROVALS

- [GC093](#) (Brimbank, Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Melbourne, Port of Melbourne and Wyndham) facilitates delivery of the West Gate Tunnel Project: in accordance with the incorporated document; makes the Minister for Planning the responsible authority for administering and enforcing the relevant planning schemes in relation to the project; and introduces Design and Development Overlay controls to the Hobsons Bay and Maribyrnong planning schemes to ensure future development does not compromise the structural integrity or project infrastructure. GC93 introduces a new but identical control to that revoked by Parliament on 7 March 2018.
- [Indigo C073](#) implements the recommendations of the *Rutherglen Rural Living Study April 2016*: rezones approximately 280 hectares of land north of Rutherglen to Rural Activity Zone; rezones approximately 40 hectares to Low Density Residential Zone and applies Development Plan Overlay (Schedule 3); and rezones the Carlyle Bushland Reserve to Public Conservation and Resource Zone to reflect its status as Crown land managed to protect natural values.
- [Knox C161](#) rezones 1221 and 1223 Mountain Highway, The Basin to a Neighbourhood Residential Zone Schedule 2, and applies the Design and Development Overlay Schedule 2 and replaces the Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 4 with Schedule 3 over the land.
- [Latrobe C102](#) updates the title of the native vegetation clearing regulations and the Department's name in Clause 52.17 Native Vegetation – Schedule 1, and corrects the application of the Public Acquisition Overlay 1 from 25 Sheepwash Creek Road, Flynn to 50 Sheepwash Creek Road, Flynn in accordance with Traralgon Bypass Amendment C042.

- [Northern Grampians C035](#) corrects a minor error relating to the mapping of Design and Development Overlay 6 and Design and Development Overlay 7 (Helicopter Paths).
- [Stonnington C243](#) replaces the interim Heritage Overlay controls with permanent Heritage Overlay controls for 1034-1040 Malvern Road, Armadale (Blairholme House) (HO528).
- [Surf Coast C096](#) implements the Biodiversity Mapping Project, Surf Coast Shire (2014) by amending existing environmental overlay coverage on land in Lorne, Aireys Inlet - Moggs Creek, Anglesea, Torquay/Jan Juc, introducing a revised ESO4 schedule and amending the DDO11 schedule. Local Planning Policy Framework as it relates to the protection of local biodiversity assets is amended and improvements are made to ensure consistency with State policy relating to bush fire mitigation measures.

## LAPSED

- Greater Geelong C360
- Moyne C048 Part 2

## EXHIBITIONS

- [Stonnington C221](#) proposes to update the boundaries of the Land Subject to Inundation Overlay and the Special Building Overlay to reflect updated flood modelling data as identified by Council and Melbourne Water, the relevant floodplain authority.
- [Surf Coast C120](#) proposes to Implement the strategic directions of the *Growing Winchelsea: Shaping Future Growth 2015* plan by updating the Municipal Strategic Statement and making zone and overlay changes.

## PANEL REPORTS

- [Yarra Ranges C142](#): Development of the Burnham Beeches site at 1 Sherbrooke Road, Sherbrooke for a residential hotel.

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