



Buloke CFA Volunteers Recognised

Buloke Shire Council congratulates members of the CFA Buloke West Group recently recognised for their service and bravery.

National Medals were awarded to David Manifold, Brad Burke, Michael McLoughlan, Graeme Milne, Richard Rielly, Adam Campbell, Robert Adams, and Kelvin Hepworth for their commitment to the CFA and their communities.

A special honour, the Chief Officer's Commendation for Courage, was presented to Bradley Burke, Captain of the Jeffcott Fire Brigade, for his heroic rescue of a truck driver moments before the vehicle caught fire.

Acting Deputy Chief Officer Bill Johnstone, who presented the awards, noted it was the first time in his career he had delivered such a commendation. Council extends its thanks and congratulations to all award recipients.

Photos and article courtesy of CFA District 18 Buloke Catchment BASO Tanya Decker.

Notice Of An Application For A Planning Permit

The land affected by the application is located at **14 Florence Court, Donald VIC 3480.**

The application is for a permit for the **construction of a dwelling and associated outbuilding within an Environmental Significance Overlay.**

The application reference number is **PA25016.**

You may view the application and supporting documents on the **Buloke Shire Council Website** <https://buloke.greenlightopm.com/planning> or by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, **Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof** on 1300 520 520.

This can be done during office hours and is free of charge. Any person who may be affected by the granting of the permit may object or make other submissions to the Responsible Authority.

An objection must be made to the Responsible Authority in writing, include the objectors name and contact details, include reasons for the objection, and state how the objector would be affected. An online submission form is available at <https://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/planning-applications-on-exhibition>.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before **19 June 2025.**

If you object to the application, the Responsible Authority will tell you it's decision.

Community Grants Awarded

Councillors awarded funding of \$14,000 for three community projects under our Community Grants Programs at the May Council meeting.

Congratulations to:

- **Birchip Community Leisure Centre** – \$10,000 for the Keep Birchip Golfing Project under the *Community Sustainability Grants Program*
- **Birchip Neighbourhood House Incorporated** – \$2,000 for the Birchip Community Christmas Party under the *Community Grants Program* (retrospectively funded)
- **Donald Learning Group Inc** – \$2,000 for the Donald Art & Photography Show 2025 under the *Community Grants Program* (retrospectively funded)

If you have a project that benefits the Buloke Shire community, then you could be eligible for a Council grant too. To find out more or apply visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au/community-grants

Free Grant Writing Workshops for Community Groups

We are excited to be providing free grant writing workshops for local community groups looking to strengthen their grant-writing skills.

Sessions are free and open to all volunteer groups in the Shire. Options include both online and in-person.

Online:

- **Wednesday 11 June, 6.00–8.00pm**
- **Monday 30 June, 6.00–8.00pm**

In-Person:

- **Tuesday 24 June, 1.00–3.30pm in Wycheproof**
- **Tuesday 24 June, 5.30–8.00pm in Birchip**

To register or find out more, contact Council's Community Partnerships Team via 1300 520 520 or email grants@buloke.vic.gov.au