

Key Advocacy Priority:

Old Beaufort Primary School

Community Hub



Pyrenees
Shire Council

THE PRIORITY

A master plan has been developed to transform the former Beaufort Primary School into a vibrant community hub.

THE ASK

\$3.735 million for remediation works to make the historic buildings compliant and fit-for-purpose.

THE BENEFITS

- Creation of a vibrant multi-use community hub
- Protection of vacant heritage buildings currently subject to vandalism

"We know this site is important to the Beaufort community. Council will continue working with the Victorian Government to progress the next steps."

Pyrenees Shire Council Mayor Damian Ferrari

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The former Beaufort Primary School opened in 1864 as Victoria's 60th primary school and closed in 2014 following the school's relocation to an alternative site.

The old school has been unoccupied since, with the buildings vandalised over the intervening years.

The Victorian Government announced \$800,000 to prepare a master plan and for early works in 2025.

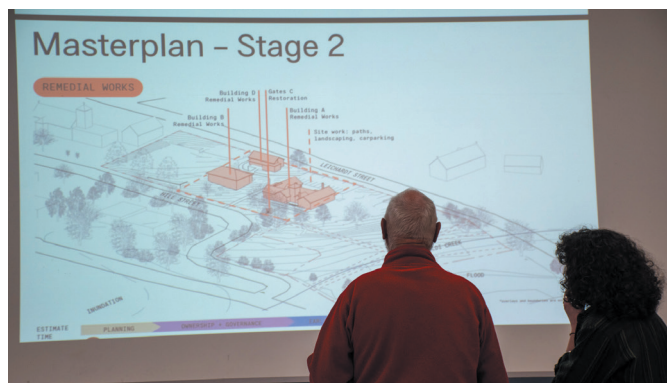
Council was commissioned to develop the site master plan, with the aim of developing and managing it as a community hub. This builds on former PBS60 Committee proposals for the site to be a multi-use community precinct.

After a period of community engagement, the master plan has been completed, with early remediation works proposed to protect the heritage buildings from further degradation and remove some of the unwanted buildings. Funding is required to make the buildings fit-for-purpose.

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OLD BEAUFORT PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE

HERITAGE

