



EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL HERITAGE FUND GUIDELINES

LOCAL HERITAGE FUND PURPOSE

The grants are directed towards the general preservation, enhancement or documenting of heritage within Edward River Council.

FUNDING

Successful Applicants may receive up to a dollar for dollar grant funding.

APPLICATION DATES

Applications close on Friday 21st June 2024. The next call for applications for the Local Heritage Fund will be in 2025.

WHO CAN APPLY

Owners of significant heritage buildings/items, listed heritage items or items in the Heritage Conservation Area under the Conargo and Deniliquin Local Environmental Plans. However, you cannot apply for funding if you are a state government agency (but may be involved as a project partner).

PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED Heritage items that are either;

- Listed as heritage items in the Conargo and Deniliquin Local Environmental Plans,
- In the Heritage Conservation Area, Deniliquin
- Supported by Council's Heritage Advisor or other heritage specialist as being of heritage significance.

PRIORITIES

Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan Area

1. Commercial properties within the Heritage Conservation Area identified as having heritage significance for repair of original features and/or painting in period colour and styles.
2. Commercial properties with the heritage conservation area
3. Properties outside the Heritage Conservation Area that are identified by Council's Heritage Advisor as significant heritage items whether listed in Council's LEP or not and including the following works:
 - Painting in period colours;
 - Repair/restoration of heritage features; and
 - Restoration of period front fences.

Conargo Local Environmental Plan Area

- Heritage items in a well maintained heritage streetscape or landscape setting.
- Heritage items with public access and visibility.
- Urgent maintenance works to avert management risks (eg severe deterioration, demolition or demolition by neglect).
- Part of a heritage group or precinct.

- Fire, service and access upgrades for Building Code Australia compliance for ongoing or adaptive reuse of heritage item.
- Have not received previous funding support in the last 5 years.

Projects that will NOT be funded

- Completed projects will not be funded retrospectively.
- Routine maintenance (eg lawn mowing, gutter cleaning or carpet cleaning);
- Projects where adequate funding is available from the applicant or other sources.
- Purchase of or a new addition to heritage buildings.
- New additions to a heritage building (eg new kitchens, bathrooms & internal fittings);
- Relocation of buildings or work to relocated buildings.
- Private headstones, unless there is no possibility of descendent support for the project.
- New buildings.
- Flood lighting of heritage buildings.
- Purchase of equipment; and
- Movable railway heritage items.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Funding is targeted to projects with:

- Public benefit to a precinct eg main street
- Sustainable long term heritage benefits
- Public benefit and enjoyment
- Innovation and leadership
- Capacity and commitment to undertake the project
- Funding equity and cost effectiveness

QUESTIONS

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PROJECT APPLICATION

Available from Council's website at www.edwardriver.nsw.gov.au

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO APPLY?

- Do some background research on your heritage item and project proposal.
- Read the application form so you know what information you need and if your project fits the funding offered.
- Prepare a list of project tasks to be completed.
- Get at least 2 quotes for all of the project tasks.
- Plans and sketches – depending on the size of the project you may need to include these to show what you intend to do.
- Take before photographs.
- Fill in the application form (keep a copy for your records); and

- Talk with Council or Council's Heritage Advisor about your project.

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Your completed project application, images and supporting documentation to:

Email

council@edwardriver.nsw.gov.au

Post

Edward River Council, PO Box 270, Deniliquin NSW 2710

PROCESSING YOUR APPLICATION

Edward River Council will acknowledge receipt of your application within twenty-one (21) days of the closing date.

In assessing your application the quality and clarity of information provided will be taken into account.

Projects will be assessed and approved by Council.

A funding offer and contract will be sent to successful applicants later in 2024.

On your acceptance of this offer, funding will commence on completion of projects. All projects must be completed and all funding claimed by 30 April 2025 at the latest.

We will advise unsuccessful applicants shortly after Council has made a decision. The Local Heritage Fund 2024/25 is a targeted funding program. Projects must meet eligibility criteria, funding priorities and common selection criteria. However in exceptional circumstances the Council reserves the right to recommend funding for projects that may not fully meet these requirements.