

MEDIA RELEASE

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FUNDING TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF THE MOONEE PONDS COURTHOUSE

The Andrews Labor Government today announced that up to \$300,000 will be provided for immediate stabilisation works, including the construction of a temporary roof, at the Moonee Ponds Courthouse.

The funding will be provided by Heritage Victoria and is in addition to \$100,000 previously provided by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

Built in 1890, the Moonee Ponds Courthouse was badly damaged by a fire started by an electrical fault earlier this year.

Member for Essendon Danny Pearson said today's announcement will help secure the future of the magnificent Moonee Ponds Courthouse.

Quotes attributable to the Member for Essendon, Danny Pearson:

"Today is a great day for the people of Moonee Ponds and the State District of Essendon.

"I'd particularly like to thank those members of the Moonee Ponds Courthouse Reconstruction Committee, including Mary Cahill, Peter Bromley and Terry Scott from the Essendon Historical Society, Councillors Richard Lawrence, Nicole Marshall and Andrea Surace, Gail Conman, Peter Gaffney, Vince Gurciullo and Jason Sharp from the City of Moonee Valley, for all their efforts over the last five months.

"I will continue to work to have the Moonee Ponds Courthouse returned to its former glory at the earliest opportunity."