



## Media Release

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### Jacka House Conservation Project

The week of September 24 - 28 will see trades people, including two from the Goyder region, converge on Burra's historic 'Jacka House', to stabilise and reinstate structural features to prevent further deterioration, make it water tight and reinstate interior finishes, as well as train another generation in the traditional trade skills required to keep our heritage alive.

The Regional Council of Goyder, in partnership with the National Trust of South Australia, Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) and Applied Building (HSR), is running a five-day intensive learning program, where participants will be guided in a range of traditional building construction and maintenance techniques as they work to conserve the original stonework and structural timbers using authentic materials and traditional building techniques.

The former township of Hampton is an extensive collection of ruins, walls, foundations and quarry sites on the outskirts of Burra North and during Burra's peak mining period it was a bustling settlement of approximately 30 dwellings. The majority of dwellings in Hampton were simple two or three bedroom cottages built by hand from locally quarried stone for local miners or smelters and their families. The last two dwellings were finally vacated in the 1960s and the village has remained deserted until this time.

Jacka House has been selected as a dwelling of special significance and will be a part of an on-going restoration and conservation project. Council assessment identified that without this restoration work, that remedial work would be required to ensure the conservation of the historical dwelling. At the August 2018 Council meeting, it was carried unanimously that Council would fund \$35,000 for the restoration of Jacka House.

The Jacka House conservation workshop is part offered by the Australian Artisan Trades Academy, a new body established by the National Trust to ensure that we have the skills in a new generation of tradespeople to conserve our heritage buildings. Interested community members are welcome to inspect some of the work being undertaken by the artisans at Hampton Village.

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