

Media Release

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Building surge in Mitchell Shire to start 2017

Building activity is on the rise in the Mitchell Shire.

The latest data from the Victorian Building Authority (VBA) shows an increase in domestic building activity during the first quarter of 2017. Domestic building permits issued in the first quarter increased by 26 per cent compared to the same period of 2016, while the overall value of these permits is up 37 per cent.

The value of permits for the 2016/17 financial year is up 16 per cent on 2015/16 with a five per cent increase in the number of permits issued for the shire.

VBA Chief Executive Officer Prue Digby says the data indicates a vibrant local building industry.

“The latest Victorian Building Authority figures show sustained growth in domestic building activity for the Mitchell Shire,” Ms Digby said.

Taking in towns such as Kilmore, Wallan, Broadford and Seymour, the Mitchell Shire is on track to record its highest domestic building permit figures (value and number issued) in five years (over a financial year).

A domestic building permit is issued primarily for new or rebuilt detached houses, private garages, carports and sheds, or swimming pools and fences.

First quarter comparison – domestic building permits in Mitchell Shire					
January 2017 to March 2017 (first quarter 2017)		January 2016 to March 2016 (first quarter 2017)		% increase First quarter 2016 - 2017	
Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works
216	\$32,695,906	172	\$23,909,044	25.6%	36.8%

Financial year comparison – domestic building permits in Mitchell Shire					
July 2016 to March 2017 (current financial year)		July 2015 to March 2016 (previous financial year)		% increase 2015/16 to 2016/17	
Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works
673	\$104,955,002	644	\$90,712,327	4.5%	15.7%

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Financial year comparison extended – domestic building permits in Mitchell Shire		
	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works
July 2012 to March 2013	663	\$97,043,382
July 2013 to March 2014	621	\$86,955,786
July 2014 to March 2015	617	\$77,918,419
July 2015 to March 2016	644	\$90,712,327
July 2016 to March 2017	673	\$104,955,002

First quarter comparison extended – domestic building permits in Mitchell Shire		
	Number of domestic building permits	Total cost of works
Jan 2013 to March 2013	209	\$32,211,717
Jan 2014 to March 2014	232	\$32,335,329
Jan 2015 to March 2015	179	\$21,721,532
Jan 2016 to March 2016	172	\$23,909,044
Jan 2017 to March 2017	216	\$32,695,906

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