

## Protecting Ballarat's next generation from gambling harm through sport

The Victorian Budget, announced on Monday, allocated \$153 million over four years to tackle gambling harm through better prevention, treatment, support and behaviour change programs throughout the state.

One of the Foundation's most successful initiatives is our Love the Game Sporting Club Program, which comprises more than 400 sporting club partners, including all 10 Victorian AFL teams, AFL Victoria, leagues and commissions, and community clubs.

**Media are invited** to attend presentations on what the Budget means for gambling harm, especially in regional Victoria, and how Ballarat is involved in Love the Game.

<b>WHO:</b>	The Hon. Marlene Kairouz MP, Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation
OTHER MPS:	<ul><li>Michaela Settle MP, Member for Buninyong</li><li>Juliana Addison MP, Member for Wendouree</li></ul>
WHAT:	Enhancing our public health approach to gambling harm
TIME:	10:30–11:30 am
DATE:	Thursday, 30 May 2019
WHERE:	Ballarat Civic Hall, 300-304 Mair Street, Ballarat Central
AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW:	<ul> <li>Shane Lucas, CEO, Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation</li> <li>Rod Ward, Regional General Manager, AFL Victoria Goldfields Football Commission</li> <li>Dave Burt, Founder and Director, Sport &amp; Life Training (SALT)</li> </ul>

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