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MEDIA RELEASE

Funds up for grabs at Last

Member for Burdekin, Dale Last, Shadow Minister for North Queensland, Dale Last, has urged not-for profit groups and manufacturing businesses to apply for funding from State Government grants that close in the near future.

"Currently there are opportunities for our local community organisations and businesses and I would love to see Burdekin get its fair share," Mr Last said.

"The Gambling Community Benefit Fund offers between \$500 and \$35,000 for not-for-profit groups so help them provide services, leisure activities and other opportunities in the district."

"We have been very successful with applications in the past and I think that is due to the fact that the community groups focus on important projects that will make our community better."

Applications for this round of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund close on the May 31st and details are available from www.justice.qld.gov.au.

Mr Last said there was a major opportunity for manufacturing businesses in the district to develop their business, employ more people and tap into the international market.

"The Made in Queensland initiative is about helping manufacturing businesses grow and there are substantial amounts of funding available for businesses with between 5 and 200 staff," Mr Last said.

"I know there are local businesses that are innovative and on the cutting edge and this funding could go a long way towards helping them become more productive and grow."

Grants of between \$50,000 and \$2.5 Million are available to be used toward approved projects with Expressions of Interest closing on May 24th.

Full details of the initiative are available from www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au.

"I am 100% behind local organisations and businesses taking advantage of this funding and I will support their applications in whatever way I can," Mr Last said.

Locals looking to participate are encouraged to contact Mr Last's office for more information and letters of support to accompany applications.

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