

2026 Financial Management and Leadership Development Program

The 2026 FinPro Financial Management and Leadership Development Program provides a unique opportunity to develop the extra skills needed to move from being an *accountant* to being a *leader* in Local Government.

This program has been developed by considering the specialist skills and knowledge councils require of finance managers in today's world. It will be delivered by people who work within the sector and who have a broad range of skills, knowledge, and experience. Participants will work with industry leaders to gain knowledge as well as practical experience.

Program Objectives

The objectives of the program are to:

- Enhance individual leadership and management capabilities;
- Develop financial management skills within the legislative and reporting requirements of the sector;
- Provide an opportunity for participants to forge new relationships with others from different councils within VIC Local Government;
- Provide participants with support to develop the specific skills required to be a leader in financial management within the local government sector; and
- Provide an opportunity to excite participants as to what finance professionals working in Local Government can achieve.

What you need to know about the Workshop

Dates: Sunday, 10 May 2026 at 5pm – Wednesday, 13 May 2026 at 12.45pm

It is a requirement of the program that all participants stay onsite for the full workshop, including all evenings.

What's included: All meals, drinks and accommodation are included as part of the workshop. Each participant will be provided with their own ensuite room.

Dress: Smart casual for the whole program

Program

Sunday, 10 May 2026	Program commences, welcome and getting to know each other.
Monday, 11 May 2026	Understanding the <i>Financial Management skills</i> required by today's successful finance leader. Sessions on this day will focus on technical and practical skills about understanding the local government financial environment and the requirements of a successful finance leader.
Tuesday, 12 May 2026	Understanding the <i>Leadership skills</i> required by today's successful finance leader. This day is about understanding the Leadership Skills required by a Finance Leader in 2026 and learning to adapt and evolve in an ever-changing work environment.
Wednesday, 13 May 2026	Bringing it all together

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