Great Eastern Country Zone



Zone Minutes on a Page 18 August 2025

Minutes

Minutes from the meeting can be accessed on the WALGA website.

Virtual Host

The Zone received a 'virtual host' presentation from the Shire of Tammin. The presentation is <u>available here</u>.

Speakers

The meeting received presentations from:

- Ms Hannah Godsave, WALGA Policy Manager Community provided an overview WALGA's work on public health policy, including in relation to Local Public Health Plans (presentation <u>available here</u>).
- Ms Nancy Bineham, Director Strategy, Change & Service
 Development at the WA Country Health Service Wheatbelt provided
 an address on the Living Well in the Wheatbelt Strategy and the interface with
 Local Public Health Plans (presentation <u>available here</u>).
- Mr Leon Key, Director of AvonWest at Procon Developments, provided a briefing on the Northam Freight Hub project.

Zone Business

- The Zone resolved to request that WALGA continues to advocate to the State Government to retain the current system of four-year teams with a two-year spill for Local Government elections.
- That the Zone endorsed the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.
- The Zone received updates reports on:
 - The Zone Council Member Training Initiative face to face Council Member Essential Training to be held within the Zone in February and March 2026.
 - o The proposed delegation to Perth in 2026.
 - The proposed meeting cycle for 2026 (and beyond).

Shires of:

Bruce Rock

Cunderdin

Dowerin

Kellerberrin

Kondinin

Koorda

Merredin

Mt Marshall Mukinbudin

Narembeen

Nungarin

Tammin Trayning

Westonia

Wyalkatchem

Yilgarn

Priorities Survey

As outlined in the Minutes, all delegates, Zone Council members and senior officers are invited to provide input on a survey to inform the 2026 Delegation, as well as a potential review of the Zone's priorities.

Please consider completing the survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gecz-delegation your earliest convenience.

Responses are requested by Friday, 19 September 2025.

State Council Agenda

The Zone supported all the recommendations for Matters for Decision:

- Rating of Renewable Energy Facilities
- Rating of Miscellaneous Licences
- Community Infrastructure and Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund Advocacy Positions
- Rural and Remote Health Services Advocacy Position
- Health Advocacy Position
- Advocacy Positions for Active Transport and Micromobility

Next Meeting

The next Zone meeting will be held on Thursday, 13 November at 9:30am (9:00am arrival) in the Shire of Kellerberrin.