

APRIL 2023

Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program 2023

The Shire recently participated in a Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program. This program is run annually in coordination with many other Shires throughout Western Australia. It aims to introduce medical students to the country to encourage them to consider rural work after graduation.

The students are hosted by community members who share country life with the students. This program is utilised Australia wide but it is the first time Dalwallinu Shire participated in the program. We assisted with the coordination of 20 medical students from Curtin University two lecturers, and a staff member from Rural Health West.

This visit would not have been possible without the very generous host families agreeing to open their homes to the students and we would like to thank all of our hosts for this inaugural student visit. They are Gary and Kerry Butcher, Karen and Greg McNeill, Steve and Lee Anne Carter, Irene Mills, Diane and Jeff Cream, Charles and Gwen Hyde, Harry and Jane Hyde and Judy Flynn.

Gary Butcher was not only a host but he also agreed to be the bus driver for the visit. From the comments of the students this was a very popular choice and they appeared to have built a lovely rapport.

Several of the local business and organisations participated with the program and provided

insights to what life could be like should they consider a rural career. They opened their doors willingly and we must acknowledge Coerco, Shermac, St John Ambulance, Dalwallinu Fire Brigade, Dr Femi, Dalwallinu Hospital, Staff at Dalwallinu District High School, Wubin Wheatbin Museum, Rob and Wendy Sawyer and Badimia Bandi Barna. Also the Shire staff and volunteers who were involved. Greg Whitehead and Kevin Jones were also roped in to be our BBQ chefs.

During free time they were able to visit the local stores, the recreation precinct and they participated in some of the local training sessions. They were very complimentary of our wonderful Dally Pool. As many were not used to the heat this proved a very welcome respite for them.

The students and host families, as well as invited guests attended a dinner on the Thursday night provided by Rural Health West

Rural Health West

but prepared by the Shire staff as a Thank You to everyone for their help. Students performed a "rap" for those present about their trip. Shire President Keith Carter was on hand to thank them all for coming to Dalwallinu and encourage them to return and bring their friends and family with them.

The entire group were presented with a Dalwallinu booklet and Dalwallinu medallion as a memento of their visit. By the end of the week they were all speaking like locals, no longer referring to Dalwallinu but simply affectionately calling it Dally like the rest of us.

We look forward to continuing this partnership with Curtin and Rural Health West in future years and we urge everyone to consider billeting a student next year. The experience is so worthwhile for everyone, not just the visiting students. All of the hosts this year said the experience was so rewarding.



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CEO Jean Knight

Thank you to everyone that attended our recent 'Retro Music Bingo Night' which was held to raise funds for the external landscaping at the new Multi-Purpose Early Childhood Learning Centre. We had over 100 people in attendance and everyone had a great night.

Thank you so much to the sponsors of the event which included local businesses and external contractors who are currently undertaking work for the Shire. Your generosity was greatly appreciated and we look forward to the sponsors joining us for our grand opening in the future.



The Shire would like to thank the Dalwallinu Community for their swift notification when the Struggle Street sign was stolen yet again.

The sign was removed illegally and then photos were posted on a social media page where the perpetrator was able to be identified.

CEO Chit Chat

Stage 1 of the construction of the new Multi-Purpose Early Childhood Learning Centre in McNeill Street is nearing completion. Stage 2 will see the external landscaping, demolition of the existing building and the construction of the car park. This is expected to be completed by July 2023.

The capital works on Annetts Rd has been completed and looks fantastic. The drainage was well and truly tested recently.

The two new subdivisions which are being undertaken by DevelopmentWA are still progressing. The WA Planning Commission has approved the nine (9) lot residential subdivision and we expect the approval for the eight (8) lot industrial subdivision to be not too far away. DevelopmentWA will now be calling for tenders for the civil works required to undertake the subdivisions in the coming weeks. If anyone is interested in any of these lots, please register your interest with the Shire.

Speed bumps have recently been installed on Johnston Street and Sawyer Avenue. Whilst we appreciate this may inconvenience some road users, these speed bumps are made to the relevant

Australian Standard and have been put in place for the safety of the children. Please slow down when traversing these speed bumps.

A big thank you to everyone involved in the Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program that we hosted in mid-March. Deb Whitehead did an amazing job with the itinerary for the students. This was the first time for Dalwallinu and we have received many positive comments. We look forward to this continuing and if we get at least one student moving to the rural area as a GP, that will be a great start.

Save the date for our next community event. We will be hosting a 'Hollywood Bingo Night' on Friday 13 October 2023. Get your costumes ready and come along and enjoy a fun night out. This event will be BYO alcohol and the cover charge will just be to cover the cost of the host.

At the end of April, we welcome back Hanna Jolly as our Manager Corporate Services, who has been on 12 months Parental Leave. A very big thank you to Ally Bryant for relieving in this role and we are happy that Ally will continue with us until the finalisation of the 2023 - 2024 budget.

The Police have advised us that the sign will be returned to the Shire, and we are hoping to receive it in the next few days. It is a shame that some people feel it is OK to simply remove signage for their own purposes.

When a sign is illegally removed it costs the Shire time and money to replace. More importantly it inconveniences the locals who live on these streets and who need to have their signs clearly marked and in place to help identify where they live.

Thanks again to the "sleuths" who assisted in tracking down the sign and enabling it to be returned.

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SHIRE PRESIDENT Cr Keith Carter

A Word from the Shire President

On behalf of Council I would like to acknowledge Karen's commitment and input as a Councillor. At Council meetings Karen's experience and knowledge in the St John Ambulance Service, and Emergency Services was very important to some of our decisions.

Also having young children she had first hand experience of the medical services in the Wheatbelt and Dalwallinu Shire. Thank you Karen for your efforts. I hope that we get a visit or two when you are back in Dalwallinu.



Karen Christian

Farewell Cr Karen Christian

At the February Ordinary Council Meeting Councillor Karen Christian resigned. Karen has given six and half years serving as a Councillor.



Anzac Day - 25 April 2023



The Shire of Dalwallinu
invites community members to the commemoration of



ANZAC DAY

Tuesday 25 April 2023

ANZAC Day Dawn Service

6.00am

Memorial Park

Johnston Street

followed by

GUNFIRE BREAKFAST

provided by Shire of Dalwallinu



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Dalwallinu Astronomy Night

Friday 14 April 6.30pm
Dalwallinu Recreation Centre

Presented by
Perth Observatory & Shire of Dalwallinu

Free Entry

BYO Picnic & Drinks
Plastic containers only please. No Glass.

For more information contact Jo Jones
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Ages 5 & over



THIS FRIDAY



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Public Notice

Change of Council Meeting Date



At the Ordinary Council Meeting held 28 March 2023, Council resolved to hold the April Ordinary Council Meeting **Wednesday 26 April 2023** commencing at 3.30pm.

The meeting will be held in the Shire of Dalwallinu Council Chambers, Dalwallinu.

Jean Knight

Chief Executive Officer

Change of Community Catch-up Date



Do you have questions for Council?

Would you like to know anything about Council projects?

We would like to invite Community Members to an informal Catch-Up session with Shire Councillors on **Wednesday 26 April 2023** from **5:00 to 6:00pm** at the Shire Administration Centre.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Jean Knight

Chief Executive Officer

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Retro

Music

Bingo

The response to the event was very gratifying to the Shire who put a lot of work into the night.

The compere for the evening Jon Lennon (aka Johnny Rocket) kept things moving.

The choice of songs and groups had everyone singing along and the prizes were amazing.

One of the stars of the evening was the beautifully restored FC Holden.

Our thanks to Sheree Sundstrom for bringing it along to enhance the atmosphere of the evening.



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Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program Highlights

STUDENTS, HOST FAMILIES, SHIRE STAFF & VOLUNTEERS AT THE THANK YOU DINNER



Council and Community Catch-up Sessions

Council will be trialling a Council/Community Catch-up session after Council Meetings.

This will be from 5pm to 6pm at the Shire Administration Centre. First Catch-up will kick off on

Wednesday 26 April 2023



Kalannie Airstrip

Important Information

If you know anyone that wishes to use the Kalannie airstrip, please advise them to call the Shire for a condition report prior to landing.



Jean Knight
Chief Executive Officer



Are Your Rates Past Due



The fourth and final rates instalment was due and payable on or before 10 March 2023.

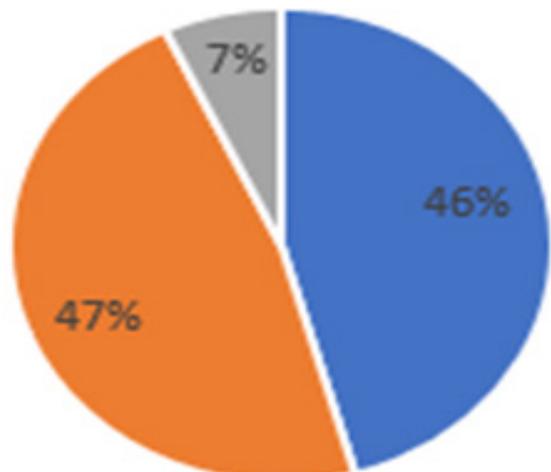
If you are experiencing financial difficulty and wish to discuss this with the Shire please call Christie Andrews.

If you would like next years notices emailed please download this form and return to the Shire.

https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/Profiles/dalwallinu/Assets/ClientData/Documents/Services/Rates/Change_of_Address_form_2022.pdf

Capital Projects 2022-2023

	• Commenced	46%
	• Completed	47%
	• Not Commenced	7%



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Multi Purpose Early Childhood Learning Centre

It is great to see this building finally taking shape. Most of the works are being completed on the inside now and won't be visible until the building is open.



Royal Life Saving - Women Only Swimming Lessons



Dalwallinu Aquatic Centre recently completed Women only swimming lessons which were held every Saturday over 10 weeks. Sponsorship was received from the Royal Life Saving Society of Western Australia which enabled this course to proceed. This was a great initiative by Kim Johnson.

Sam Dickins was the instructor and upon graduation everyone was presented with a Swimming Award by Chief Executive Officer Jean Knight. Hopefully this will continue next year if funding can be secured.

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Staff Spotlight

We are reviving our Staff Spotlight and will introduce you to a different staff member as we can. This month the Spotlight is on;

Berni Harmer

What is your position: **Cleaner**

How long have you been working in the local government industry? **5 years**

What brought you to Dalwallinu? **Sheep (shearing)**

What is the one thing you can't live without? **My family**

What is your greatest challenge that you have overcome? **Leaving family in NZ**

Which sport and team do you support? **Rugby & Netball**

What is the best place you have travelled to and why? **NZ & Friendly people**

What are your greatest fears? **Ocean & heights**

Where is your favourite place to be? **With my grandchildren**

If you could do another job for one day what would it be? **Helicopter pilot**

What is your favourite movie? **Action or true love stories**



CLEANER Berni Harmer

Dalwallinu Discovery Centre

The Shire is partnering with One Pinoy to hold some events for Youth Week 2023. There will be a Basketball Skills workshop at the Recreation Centre on Saturday April 15th and a swap meet and carnival in May- date yet to be confirmed. All are welcome. For more information call Jo at the DDC or Julz at the Wheatland Motel. Thank you to the Department of Communities for the grant funding that has assisted with holding these events.

A reminder that we are holding an Astronomy night hosted by the Perth Observatory on Friday April 14th at the Rec Centre from 6.30pm. This is close to the date of the solar eclipse and Observatory members will give a presentation on the upcoming eclipse and a night sky talk. They will bring telescopes so participants can view the night sky. Bring a picnic and enjoy the night skies. The event is free and open to participants over 5 years. To express interest, call Jo at the DDC on 96611805 or email ecdo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au.



Library News

Competition time has come around again. The 2023 Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists will open on 28 April and close on 22 May. The competition is open to students from Years 1-12 and entries can be in a range of formats including but not limited to painting, drawing, digital art and mixed media works. For more information visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/ShاونTanAward

The Scribbler's Festival Golden Pen Writing Award is open from March 22- August 26 for individuals and entire classrooms of aspiring authors with a subject matter of Creative Bravery. There are 3 categories- junior for students in years 4-6; middle for years 7-8 and senior for years 9-12. To enter go to the Scribblers Festival website.

Both competitions have great prizes, so if you are a budding artist or writer, or know one, have a go. For help or more information call into the library, or email ecdo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au or just ring Jo on 9661 1805.



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Industrial & Commercial Land for Sale

Address: Lot 1001 Deacon Street, Dalwallinu
Size: 2,600m²
Price: \$165,000 (Inc GST)
No offer necessarily accepted.

Address: Lots 12, 13 & 14 McNeill Street,
Dalwallinu
Size: 1,012m²
Price: \$132,000 each (Inc GST)
(Deep sewerage available)



Address: Lot 1002 Roberts Road, Dalwallinu
Size: 2,599m²
Price: \$165,000 (Inc GST)
No offer necessarily accepted.



Easter Egg Fun at the Pool



The Dalwallinu Aquatic Centre held another amazing Easter pool Party on Sunday 2 April 2023. It was well attended and Kim had organised many events.

Parents and children competed in Egg and Spoon races. There were magic sticks to be found to exchange for eggs, and an elimination competition in the toddlers pool to end the morning.

It was pleasing to see how many children entered the Colouring in competition. The winners in each category were all awarded chocolate Easter Bunnys.

A very big thank you to all the children for their behaviour on the day which was really lovely to see. Also to Kim for his organisation and Greg and Deb for helping out on the day.



We need Your Help. If you see it, Report It



Vandalism and damage cost the Shire time and money which can be better spent on new ventures for everyone's enjoyment.

The public can help the Shire to protect our property. If you see something that you think is suspicious call and report it.

Report Damage to the Shire on 9661 0500.
Report vandalism to the Police on 131 444.



The Shire's website now includes the ability to upload photos when using the **Report It** function. This allows staff to view the incident being reported quickly and make decisions based on evidence provided, rather than having to visit the site for an assessment prior to issuing Works Orders. Please log on to the website and follow the links to the page and upload your photo at the end.

Dalwallinu Aquatic Centre



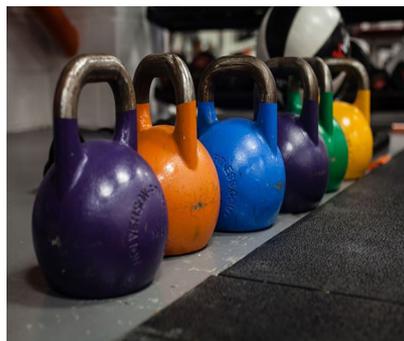
Dalwallinu Gym - We take Safety Seriously

In late June all of the cardio equipment will be replaced with new equipment. We will increase the number of treadmills to 3 but reduce the number of cross fit machines to 1 as a result. The increase in membership at the Gym, whilst very pleasing means that more people are utilizing the area and using the equipment. All of our equipment has recently been inspected and assessed as in fantastic condition.

As the gymnasium is accessible 24 hours a day we remind all users to be responsible and wipe down each piece of equipment after use. Also if you are using equipment and it breaks or you notice something missing, please let the Shire Admin know. We cannot get it fixed or replaced if users don't inform the Shire.

And finally we take safety seriously. It is very important for all users to be safety conscious. This particularly relates to the safety bars on the weights machine. If you remove them from the machine you must replace them immediately you have finished with the apparatus. Failure to do so may result in an injury to the next user.

We also welcome any of our younger users to the gym. Please ensure you follow ALL safety procedures.



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Shire of Dalwallinu Recycling Calendar 2023

April 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				6	7	1
2	3	4	5	13	14	8
9	10	11	12	20	21	15
16	17	18	19	27	28	22
23	24	25	26		29	30

May 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

June 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Recycle Days

Dalwallinu & Pithara
Wubin, Buntine &
Kalannie
Christmas Day



WHAT CAN GO INTO YOUR RECYCLE BIN

- Glass - All glass and ceramics, whole and broken
- Plastic - All plastic containers and plastic wraps (empty with lids off)
- Paper - All paper, junk mail and glossy magazines
- Cardboard - All cardboard products
- Aluminium & Steel - All metals, steel & aluminium excluding aerosol cans
- Liquid Paperboard - Milk, juice and laundry detergent cartons.

There will be no changes to the service over the Christmas Period.

Fire Danger Ratings and Bushfire Warnings

Moderate: Plan and Prepare.



High: Be ready to act.



Extreme: Take action now to protect your life and property.



Catastrophic: For your survival, leave the bushfire risk areas.



Be Aware and Prepare

Where there is minimal risk, Fire Danger Ratings will be set to 'No Rating'. On these days you still need to remain alert and abide by local seasonal laws and regulations.



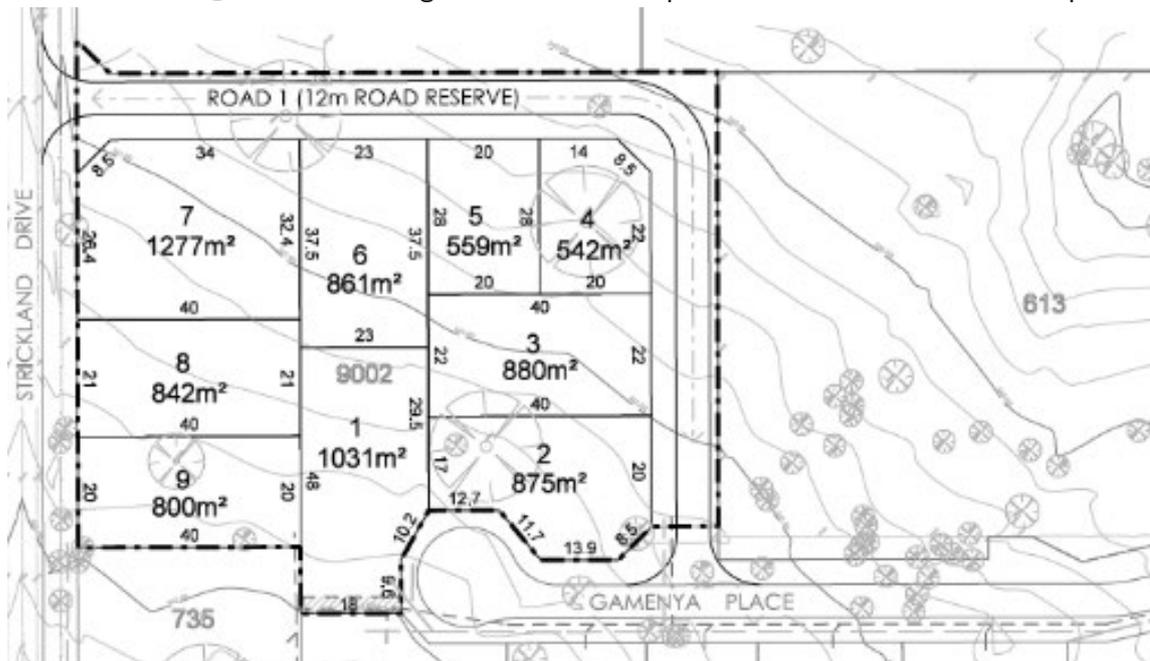
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Coming Soon

Residential Lots in Dalwallinu Townsite

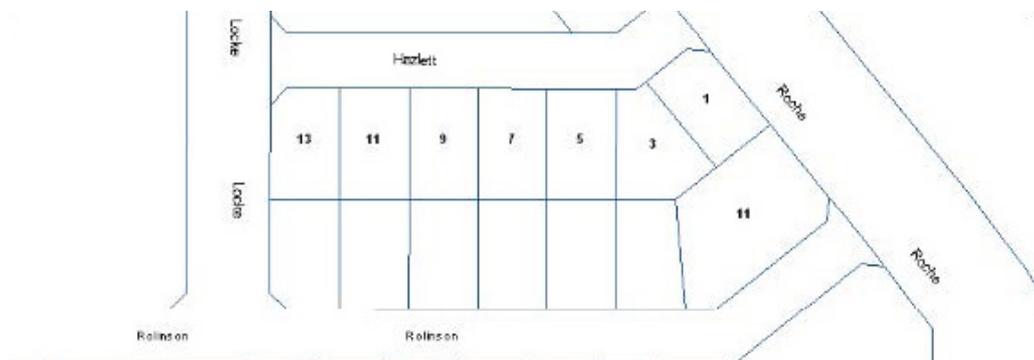
Lot sizes ranging from 542m² - 1277m²

If you would like to **register your interest** for any of the above lots, please contact Deb Whitehead on 96610500 or via email ea@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au and we will pass the information to DevelopmentWA.



Are you interested in vacant land in Kalannie townsite?

There are six (6) lots of Unallocated Crown Land on Rolinson Drive, Kalannie. At this stage we are calling for **expressions of interest** for the purchase of these lots. If interested, please contact Deb Whitehead on 96610500 or via email ea@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au.



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| Lot 8 - 941m ² | Lot 14 - 1,012m ² |
| Lot 10 - 1,012m ² | Lot 16 - 1,012m ² |
| Lot 12 - 1,012m ² | Lot 18 - 1,012m ² |

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2023 COUNCIL MEETINGS

Shire of Dalwallinu Ordinary Council Meetings will be held on the following dates and times unless otherwise advised.

DATE	DAY	TIME	PLACE
28 February 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
28 March 2023	Tuesday	4.30pm	Kalannie Sports Club
26 April 2023	Wednesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
23 May 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
27 June 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
25 July 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
22 August 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
26 September 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
24 October 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
28 November 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
19 December 2023	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers

Chief Executive Officer
Jean Knight

29 March 2023

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Next Ordinary Meeting of Council - 4:30pm Tuesday 28 March 2023

Kalannie Sports Club, 24 Stanley Street, Kalannie 6468

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WELCOME

The public are welcome to attend any Ordinary Council Meeting to ask questions of the Shire & Councillors. Ordinary Council Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except January). The March meeting will commence at 4.30pm in the Kalannie Sports Club, 24 Stanley Street, Kalannie.



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Check out our website: www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au

YOUR EMAILS WANTED

The Shire of Dalwallinu would like to share this and other relevant information with the community via an email database. If you are interested in receiving this information by email please send your contact details to ea@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au

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