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Board members appointed

The appointment of four new members to the Board of the Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC) was announced today.

The new members are Cameron Taylor, Cr Jane Trethowan, Cr Barry Webster and City of Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington, all appointed to terms expiring on 30 June 2015.

Incumbent GSDC Board member Kevin Forbes AM has been reappointed to a further term expiring on 30 June 2015.

GSDC Board Chairperson Peter Rundle welcomed the new members and the reappointment of Mr Forbes.

"I thank the departing members of the Board, Len Smith and Rob Lucas, who both made valuable contributions to the work of the GSDC and have completed their terms on the Board," Mr Rundle said.

"Mr Lucas served an extended term due to the review of the state's Development Commissions and his dedication is admirable.

"I look forward to working with the new Board members to further promote the development of the Great Southern," Mr Rundle said.

Members of the GSDC Board are appointed to one of three categories: ministerial nominees, local government nominees and community nominees.

Mr Wellington, appointed as a community nominee, is the Mayor of the City of Albany and a business proprietor in Albany.

Cr Trethowan, a local government nominee, is the President of the Shire of Kojonup, where she farms sheep and grain.

Cr Webster, a local government nominee, is the President of the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup and farms wheat in Tambellup, along with other farming interests.

Mr Taylor, a ministerial nominee, is a Katanning-based partner and director of accounting firm RSM Bird Cameron, for which he manages the Great Southern zone covering Albany, Katanning and Narrogin offices.

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