



Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison (EGRP)

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Commissioner welcomes new recruits

Corrective Services Commissioner James McMahon recently visited Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison and took part in an Oath of Engagement ceremony for 15 new recruits.

The occasion marked the inaugural Entry Level Training Program (ELTP) for Prison Officers based in Kalgoorlie.

Commissioner James McMahon met with each new recruit and thanked them for the commitment they were making.



Commissioner McMahon addresses the participants of first ELTP to be run in Kalgoorlie

“I am very pleased to be here today as you take this oath and commit to a career in corrections,” he said.

“In becoming a Prison Officer you are embarking upon a career that is challenging but one that also holds great rewards.”

Eight of the 15 new recruits are already Eastern Goldfields residents and the remainder hail from as far afield as New Zealand and Nigeria.

Damien Stewart, Executive Director of Corporate Support at DCS said that the process for staffing the new prison was ongoing.

“I would encourage anyone interested to visit our [website](#) and find out more about the diverse career pathways on offer,” said Damien.

Local expertise, interagency cooperation

Kalgoorlie local and DCS employee Wayne Chandler last week delivered Drug and Alcohol Awareness training to the 15 Kalgoorlie-based trainee Prison Officers.

Wayne said that his experience in delivering training to prison officers and prisoners had provided him with insights that were very useful when training the recruits.

“I have worked across the Eastern Goldfields delivering drug and alcohol training so when this opportunity arose I was excited to be a part of skilling staff for the new prison” said Wayne.

Course Manager Patricia Malone said it was also a great example of interagency cooperation, as some of the training materials were provided by the Department of Health.



Wayne working with trainee officers