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Timetable announced for end to Wattleup tenancies

Timing of the long-planned closure of rental properties in Wattleup as part of the Hope Valley Wattleup Redevelopment Project has been finalised, with tenancies to be terminated early next year.

LandCorp Chief Executive Ross Holt said agency representatives confirmed the closure of 250 residential leases of LandCorp-owned properties within the Wattleup townsite at a meeting with the HVWRP Community Liaison Group yesterday.

All tenants and landowners were being notified by mail, he said.

Demolition of the rental properties, which make up 90 per cent of the properties in Wattleup, would begin in February 2006.

"Significantly, Monday's announcement gives all tenants a minimum of 10 months' notice," Mr Holt said.

"It is LandCorp's aim to ensure all tenants – and the remaining property owners – in the area have as much notice as possible regarding the program for termination of tenancies and the subsequent demolition of the vacant dwellings.

"The demolition program for the Wattleup townsite will be completed in stages, and is expected to be completed by early to mid-2007."

In line with the closure decision, Mr Holt said LandCorp had waived any required notice period for people currently renting LandCorp-owned properties in Wattleup townsite should they wish to vacate earlier.

LandCorp had also notified the Department of Education and Training.

Residents seeking more information about the tenancy closure process can contact HVWRP Information Office, 1014 Rockingham Road, Wattleup, or telephone 9437 2155.

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