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HAVE A SAY ON NAME OF SUBURBS IN BLACKTOWN LGA

The Geographical Names Board is calling for community feedback on a proposal by Blacktown City Council to name three new areas in Blacktown Local Government Area.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name the suburbs Tallawong, Nirimba Marana and Grantham Farm.

“We are encouraging community comment before the Board considers the three proposals to name the new suburbs,” Mrs Underwood said.

“The three names are part of Blacktown City Council’s proposal to reshape suburbs in its North West Priority Growth Area.

“It’s important the new place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community.”

The proposed suburbs incorporate parts of the existing suburbs of Schofields, Rouse Hill, Quakers Hill and Riverstone.

The name Tallawong is derived from the Darug word 'dalawang' for the tree apple gum and incorporates the widely recognised Tallawong Railway Station and Tallawong Road.

Nirimba Marana derives from the former Royal Australian Navy repair, maintenance and training facility, Nirimba, located within the proposed suburb area.

Nirimba means ‘pelican’ in the Darug language and Marana means ‘first.’ Blacktown City Council’s Aboriginal Advisory Committee has given support to the proposed name.

Grantham Farm was the name of an estate located within the Riverstone/Marsden Park area which was subdivided in 1883.

Copies of map GNB3725-5 showing the proposed suburb boundary amendments will be on display at Max Webber Library in Blacktown, Our Library @ The Mount Druitt Hub, Dennis Johnson Library in Stanhope Gardens, Riverstone Library & Digital Hub and Lalor Park Library.

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board’s website.

Alternatively, email submissions can be sent to ss-gnb@customerservice.nsw.gov.au or written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary Geographical Names Board 346 Panorama Avenue Bathurst NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 30 November 2019.

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