



Media Release

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HAVE A SAY ON PETERSHAM'S LITTLE PORTUGAL

The Geographical Names Board is calling for community feedback on a proposal by the Inner West Council to name an urban area in Petersham as Little Portugal.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name the urban place located near New Canterbury Road, Audley Street and Trafalgar Street in Petersham as Little Portugal.

The small section of Petersham has been known colloquially as Little Portugal for many years with the Portuguese community establishing strong connection to Petersham which spans the last 40 years.

Mrs Underwood said the board is encouraging community comment before it considers the proposal.

“It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community,” Mrs Underwood said.

“We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name.”

The Inner West Council has proposed the name to honour the Portuguese community’s involvement in creating local businesses and employment while sharing culture and traditions with the broader community.

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 10 January 2020.

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