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## HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE NAME OF A RESERVE IN BLACKTOWN LGA

The Geographical Names Board is seeking community feedback on a proposal by Blacktown City Council to name a reserve in the suburb of Schofields as *Louisa Bliss Park*.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle 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,” she said.

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

The reserve is located adjacent to Oallen Place and Bannaby Crescent in the suburb of Schofields.

The proposed name seeks to commemorate Louisa Bliss (nee Wells), born around 1800. Louisa and her husband Captain Andrew Bliss and their children lived on Hebe Farm, a significant early c1860s cottage, adjacent to the reserve.

The Bliss family and their descendants lived in the cottage for more than 100 years until it was sold in 1960.

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board’s [website](#).

Alternatively, written submissions may be mailed to the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 25 April 2021.

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