

MEDIA RELEASE

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PROPOSAL TO REMOVE THE DUPLICATE LOCALITY OF PENROSE IN THE WOLLONGONG LGA

The Geographical Names Board has recently held discussions with Wollongong City Council to determine the best way to remove or change the locality name of Penrose.

Name duplication with the locality of Penrose in the neighbouring Wingecarribee LGA has caused ongoing confusion.

An extensive community consultation processes was undertaken by Wollongong Council with the results indicating residents felt the best solution was for the locality of Penrose to be absorbed into Avondale.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board, Des Mooney, said public feedback was being sought on the proposal to amend the locality boundaries.

“Emergency services are at significant risk of confusion due to the duplicate locality within the neighboring LGA,” mr Mooney said.

“With the support of Wollongong residents we will be able to resolve this serious issue.”

Residents are invited to view the proposed boundary amendment and lodge submissions with the Geographical Names Board.

A map of the Council’s proposal can be viewed at Council’s Customer Service Centre at 41 Burelli Street, Wollongong and the Dapto District Library located at 93-109 Princes Highway, Dapto.

Submissions can be lodged online at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au or in writing to the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Avenue, Bathurst , NSW, 2795.

The closing date for submissions is Monday 13 July 2015.

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