

Media Release

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HAVE A SAY ON NAME OF RESERVE IN MEDOWIE

The Geographical Names Board is calling for community feedback on a proposal by Port Stephens Council to name a reserve after the iconic Bower bird.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name the site located north of Topaz Avenue in Medowie as Bower Reserve.

Port Stephens Council believes the name will raise conservation awareness for the Australian Satin Bower Bird which is known to frequent the area.

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."

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 3 January 2020.

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