

Relevant Information for Council

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TO: Lord Mayor and Councillors

FROM: Kim Woodbury, Chief Operating Officer

THROUGH: Monica Barone, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Information Relevant To Item 8.4 – Project Scope - Douglas Street Park and Playground, Redfern

For Noting

This memo is for the information of the Lord Mayor and Councillors.

Purpose

This memo provides additional information on park naming and historic interpretation opportunities.

Background

At the meeting of the Transport, Heritage, Environment and Planning Committee on 13 February 2023, further information sought on the following:

Investigate naming the park Douglas Street People's Park, from Douglas Street Playground.

Initial investigations show the park is not officially named with the Geographical Names Board. It is identified as the Douglas Street Playground in the City's systems.

The process to name a park involves a Council resolution to consult the community on a proposed name and adoption of the preferred name by Council based on the consultation feedback. The name is then submitted to the Geographical Names Board for consideration.

The Geographical Names Board Place Naming Policy requires place names to be three words or less including the designated term (in this case "Park").

It should be noted that 'Douglas Street People's Playground' does not comply with Geographical Names Board Policies and Principles.

Park signage and acknowledgement of Aboriginal culture and past uses

The process for park upgrades includes consultation with City's Indigenous Leadership and Engagement Team regarding the history and cultural significance of the site. Further consultation with local elders is undertaken on significant sites to assist in determining relevant stories and histories for interpretation. All park signage includes a Welcome to Country.

Historical interpretation and signage for the park will include detail on the establishment of the park and acknowledgement of those involved in establishment of the park such as Aunty Shireen Malamoo.

Memo from Kim Woodbury, Chief Operating Officer

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