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Engagement Report

Engagement report – Mount Carmel Place



Overview

Background

In 2008, local school, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, approached the City of Sydney to name a private road on the boundary of the school, Mount Carmel Way.

The name recognises the long historical association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and School in the district of Waterloo. The school and church have provided educational facilities and a place of worship to the local community since the 1850s.

The City of Sydney sought to name the road in 2008. It was not formally registered but it was sign posted "Mount Carmel Way."

In 2021, Parish Priest, Fr Paul Smithers, requested that it be officially endorsed. The road provides access to the rear of the school and the priest's residence.

To formally register the name with the Geographical Names Board of NSW and meet its current standards, we cannot use the road suffix type "Way"; the road will need to be named "Mount Carmel Place". The name has been pre-approved by the Geographical Names Board of NSW.

In line with Geographical Names Board of NSW policies, we propose to name the road 'Mount Carmel Place' instead of 'Mount Carmel Way'.

Council resolved at its meeting on 27 March 2023 to seek community feedback on the proposed name 'Mount Carmel Place'. This is the first step in officially naming the road.

This report summaries the outcomes of feedback we received during the consultation period.

From 3 May 2023 to 9 June 2023, we asked for community feedback on the proposed name 'Mount Carmel Place'

The consultation provided the community with an opportunity to comment on the City of Sydney's proposal to name the private road that runs from Kellick Street behind the school in Waterloo Park, 'Mount Carmel Place'.

The purpose of this engagement was to notify the community of the proposed road name change and gather feedback to determine community sentiment of the new name.

Outcomes of engagement

We received 22 submissions during the public exhibition period (3 May – 9 June 2023).

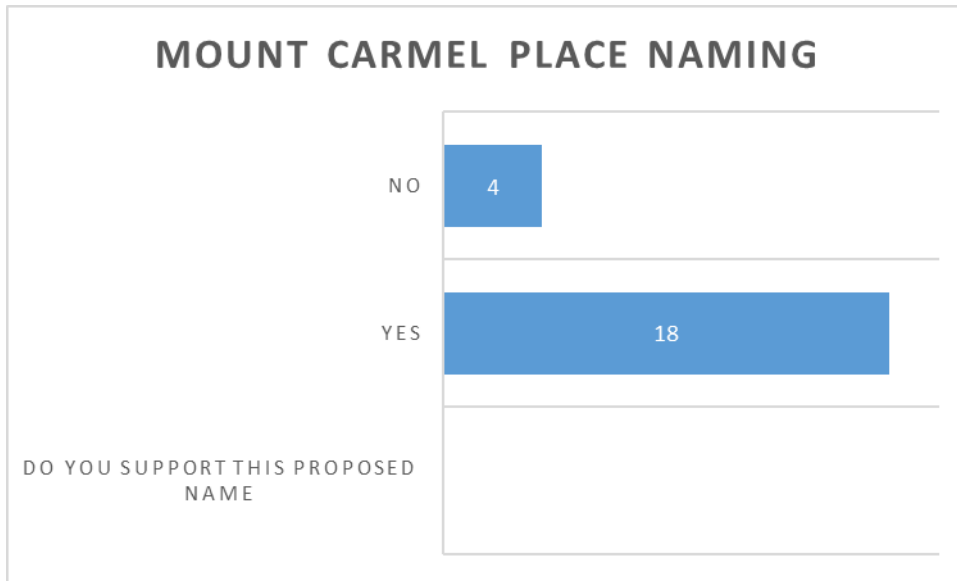
- 20 online survey submissions, one submission by phone and one by email
- 180 webpage visits to Sydney Your Say
- 6 downloads of the historical justification for the road name.

Key findings

Overview of key findings

The majority of people support the proposed name 'Mount Carmel Place'.

Overall, 18 people (82%) supported the proposed name and 4 people (18%) did not support it.



People were given the option to comment on why they supported or did not support the proposed name.

Reasons given in support of the proposal included:

- Important to officially name road so emergency services/tradespeople/road assistance can more easily locate it
- Appropriate name for this location
- This name reflects the history of the area.

Reasons given in objection to the proposal included:

- Disagree with a name that is associated with a catholic institution or religion.
- Prefer the road be given an Indigenous name.

Engagement activities

Overview of engagement undertaken

Sydney Your Say webpage

A Sydney Your Say webpage [LINK](#) was created. The page included an electronic copy of a map showing the location of the road to be named, a downloadable historical justification for the road naming, and a survey link.

Online feedback form via Survey Monkey

The community and stakeholders were able to give feedback using an online feedback form. A link to the feedback form was provided on the Sydney Your Say website.

Sydney Your Say e-news

The consultation information was included twice in Sydney Your Say e-newsletters during May: sent 10 May (6938 subscribers) and 25 May (6905 subscribers).

Consultation letter

A letter from the Lord Mayor Clover Moore AO was posted to residents, inviting them to give feedback on the proposal. 867 letters were distributed.

Stakeholder email

An email was sent to key stakeholders, including the principal of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Catholic Primary School and the Sydney City South parish priest, inviting them to give feedback on the proposal.

On-site signage

5 notice boards were installed along the present site of Mount Carmel Way, inviting people to give feedback on the proposal.

Appendix

On-site signage

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Have your say

On naming Mount Carmel Place
We invite your feedback on our proposal to officially name the small road behind Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School.

This small road is already informally known as **Mount Carmel Way**. However, we cannot use 'Way' under the standards set by the NSW Geographical Names Board.

We're proposing to name the road **Mount Carmel Place** instead.

The name recognises the long historical association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and School with the communities of Waterloo.

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How to give feedback
visit cityofsydney/mount-carmel or use the QR code.

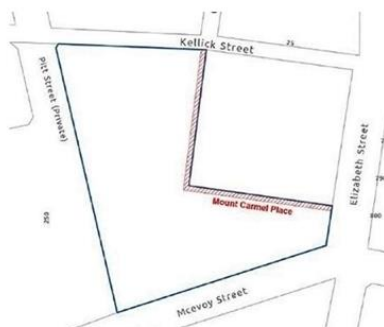
Consultation closes at:
5pm 9 June 2023.

For more information, please contact
Gareth Jenkins, Senior Community Engagement Coordinator on:
02 9265 9333
sydneyyoursay@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au



E-newsletters

The proposal featured in two Sydney Your Say e-newsletters in May 2023



[Your say on the proposed name Mount Carmel Place in Waterloo](#)

We're proposing to name the private road that runs from Kellick Street behind Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School in Waterloo Park, Mount Carmel Place.

The name recognises the long historical association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and School with the communities of Waterloo.

Provide your feedback by Friday 9 June.

[Read more](#)

Letter from the Lord Mayor Clover Moore AO to residents.



8 May 2023

Dear Resident

Waterloo street name proposal

I write to invite your feedback on the City of Sydney's proposal to name a street in Waterloo 'Mount Carmel Place'.

The road runs along the rear boundary of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School from Kellick Street through Waterloo Park. It provides access to the rear of the school and the Priest's residence.

The small road is already informally known as Mount Carmel Way. However, we are not able to use 'Way' under the standards set by the NSW Geographical Names Board, as the road is not a thoroughfare to another street.

We are therefore proposing the name 'Mount Carmel Place', which recognises the long historical association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and School on this site.

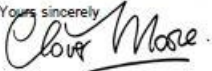
Your feedback will help us assess the level of community support for this proposed name.

Next steps

Following consultation, City staff will prepare a report for Council to endorse. We will then send our proposal to the Geographical Names Board for approval.

You can view the naming proposal and provide feedback at sydneyyoursay.com.au until 6pm on 9 June 2023.

You can also email submissions to Gareth Jenkins, Senior Community Engagement Coordinator – City Engagement, on 02 9265 9333 or at sydneyyoursay@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely


Clover Moore
Lord Mayor of Sydney