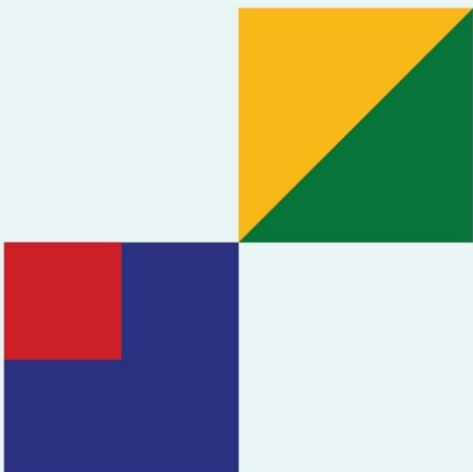


# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY REPORT

Naming of a Public Place – “Karra Reserve”  
New Reserve in Seaton



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# 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We engaged with the community from 9am Monday, 6 March 2023 to 5pm Monday, 27 March 2023 on a naming request for a new reserve in Seaton – “Karra Reserve”.

The purpose of this engagement was to:

- Inform the community about the new reserve to be constructed by Renewal SA and handed over to Council, and of the naming request made by Renewal SA for the new reserve.
- Understand if the community supports the requested name, being “Kara Reserve”, and invite any comment on the proposed name or what the naming of the reserve might mean to the public.
- Obtain information to be considered by Council when determining how the project will proceed.

Engagement was undertaken in accordance with our Reserve Naming Policy and Part 3 of Council's Public Consultation Policy (discretionary). The level of engagement was ‘consult’. The engagement outcomes detailed in this report will inform the Council’s decision making by sharing the community sentiment on the naming request and comments received regarding the proposed reserve name.

The public was made aware of the consultation through a consultation fact sheet posted to the development’s catchment area (247 distributed), onsite signage, a Your Say Charles Sturt project page and email campaign and a public notice in the Advertiser. During the period of open consultation, we had 138 visitors to the Your Say project page and received a total of 21 responses and submissions to the consultation (8.5% participation rate).

Overall, the sentiment in all responses demonstrated that 52.4% of respondents supported “Karra Reserve” as the reserve name, while 33.3% did not support the name “Karra”, and 9.5% didn’t mind, while 4.8% was indeterminate.

While 6 respondents provided comment or made a submission during the consultation, 1 was supportive of the proposal, 1 comment was supportive/neutral, and the remaining 4 comments/submissions were not supportive of the proposed reserve name, specifically a Kurna name.

Targeted communication was sent to Kurna Warra Karrpanthi (KWK) to advise of community engagement and seek cultural permission for the use of the Kurna language in the reserve naming. This correspondence was sent on Monday, 6 March during the open consultation period, however we have not received a response to date.

# 2. BACKGROUND

We received a request from Renewal SA on 5 September 2022 to name a new reserve to be constructed within the Renewal SA development, located between Matthews Avenue and Glenburnie Street in Seaton. The reserve is 2665m<sup>2</sup> in area, and will be constructed, developed, and vested to Council.

The name “Karra” means ‘river red gum’ in Kurna language and reflects the significant tree in the reserve. This significant River Red Gum will be a feature of this reserve, and dictated the location of the reserve to ensure it was retained.

### **3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT APPROACH**

This project is a matter set out in Part 3 of Council’s Public Consultation Policy and, accordingly, the public consultation steps for this project have been determined by Council on a discretionary basis.

#### **3.1 Engagement Objectives**

The objectives of this engagement were to ensure:

- That our community has easy access to the appropriate information.
- That our community is given opportunities to provide feedback.
- That the process builds positive relationships between Council and the community, and positions Charles Sturt as an organisation that is providing sound management decisions.
- That information is provided to the community of the decision and reasoning for the decision.

#### **3.2 Engagement scope**

Formal community consultation was open for a minimum period of 21 days to allow the community adequate time to provide their feedback.

We posted 247 consultation flyers to the catchment area (Figure 1, Pg 4), providing a QR Code to the Your Say Charles Sturt project page and inviting the public to complete an online poll and/or share specific comment on the proposed reserve name. A downloadable PDF hardcopy feedback form was also available for those preferring to share feedback that way rather than via the online tools. Corflute signs (3) were placed on the temporary fencing surrounding the new Renewal SA development 1 facing Matthews Avenue, 1 facing Frederick Road, and 1 facing Glenburnie Street (adjacent Seaton High School). As per our naming policy, we also placed a notice in the Advertiser on Saturday, 18 March 2023 advertising the consultation and the opportunity to provide comment.

The purpose of the consultation was to understand the community sentiment regarding the name requested for the reserve. Specifically, we wanted to understand if they supported this name proposed or not and any local, historic, cultural, or personal information they wished to share about the proposal that should be considered in any decision. We were not seeking feedback on any other reserve features, uses or surrounds.

All related feedback received will be used to inform a final decision whether the request to name the new reserve in Seaton “Karra Reserve” is approved or not and, if not, what the next steps will be. Other factors that will influence the final decision may include the weight and merit of the initial request, expert advice, other historical, cultural, social, environmental, or economic factors, as well as Council's discretionary view.

**Figure 1: Consultation catchment - includes all properties selected in red**





## 4. ENGAGEMENT EXAMPLES

### Onsite Signage:



**HEY THERE!**

We are naming a new reserve being created in this block.

The suggested name is "Karra" Reserve. Karra means 'River Redgum' in Kaurna language. It reflects the significant River Redgum that will feature in this reserve.

What do you think? Do you like the name?

Share your answer with us by **5pm Monday, 27 March 2023** by scanning the QR Code below.

For more information visit [yoursaycharlessturt.com.au/karra-reserve](https://yoursaycharlessturt.com.au/karra-reserve)  
Follow the project to be kept up to date on the outcome

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### The Advertiser public notice:



**Public Consultation on New Reserve Naming in Seaton**

The City of Charles Sturt is currently consulting on the name of a new reserve to be constructed in the Renewal SA development adjacent Glenburnie Street and Matthews Avenue in Seaton. The name requested for the new reserve is "Karra Reserve", which means 'river red gum' in Kaurna language and reflects the significant tree that will feature in the reserve.

To share your feedback on this reserve naming request, please visit [yoursaycharlessturt.com.au](https://yoursaycharlessturt.com.au), contact 8408 1132, or send a submission to [osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au](mailto:osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au) by 5pm Monday, 27 March 2023.

Paul Sutton  
Chief Executive Officer

### Fact Sheet:



**NEW SEATON RESERVE NAMING**

As part of the Renewal SA redevelopment of the land between Glenburnie Street and Matthews Avenue in Seaton, a new reserve 2.665m2 in size will be developed and handed over to Council.

We have received a request to name the new reserve "Karra Reserve". The Council has approved consideration of this request and we are now asking our community what you think.

The word 'Karra' means 'River Redgum' in Kaurna language. This name is proposed for the reserve because it reflects the significant redgum that will feature in the reserve and will align with the name of the new road to be constructed next to the reserve, called "Karra Avenue".

Our commitment to retain this significant river redgum tree is what determined the location of the reserve within the new development.

**How will the proposal be considered?**  
Following Council's approval to consider this naming request, we consult with our community to understand the views of the local area, and the broader community should they have an interest. The outcomes of the consultation will be considered in making the final decision.

Other components that will inform decision-making will include the weight and merit of the initial request, expert advice, other historical, cultural, social, environmental, or economic factors, as well as Council's discretionary view.

Consultation opens 9am Monday, 6 March 2023 and closes **5pm Monday, 27 March 2023.**

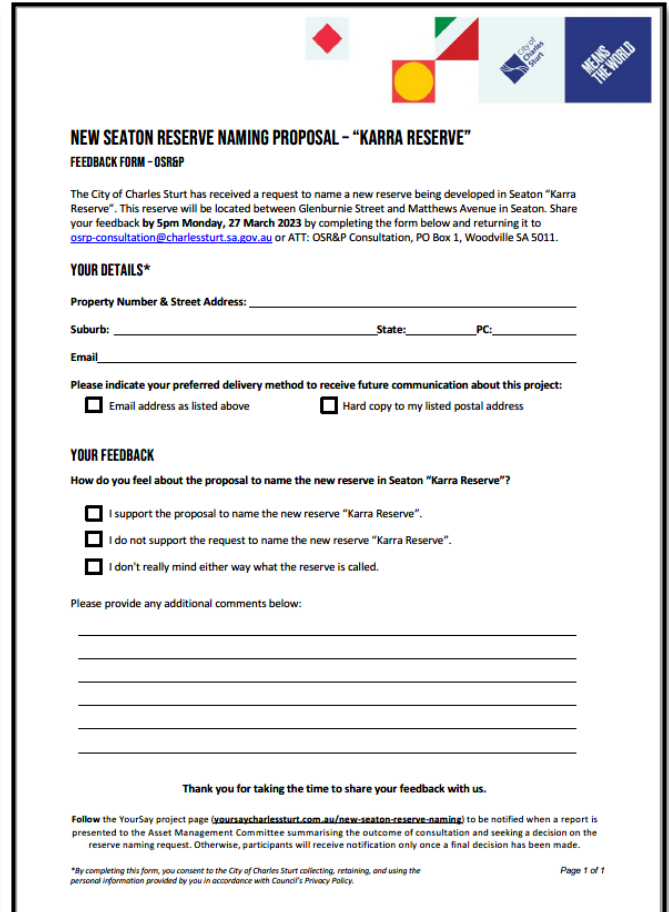
Scan the QR Code or contact 8408 1306 to complete your feedback and share your thoughts with us.

[yoursaycharlessturt.com.au](https://yoursaycharlessturt.com.au)

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### Hardcopy Form:



**NEW SEATON RESERVE NAMING PROPOSAL - "KARRA RESERVE"**  
FEEDBACK FORM - OSRP

The City of Charles Sturt has received a request to name a new reserve being developed in Seaton "Karra Reserve". This reserve will be located between Glenburnie Street and Matthews Avenue in Seaton. Share your feedback by **5pm Monday, 27 March 2023** by completing the form below and returning it to [osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au](mailto:osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au) or ATT: OSRP Consultation, PO Box 1, Woodville SA 5011.

**YOUR DETAILS\***

Property Number & Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ PC: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your preferred delivery method to receive future communication about this project:

☐ Email address as listed above ☐ Hard copy to my listed postal address

**YOUR FEEDBACK**

How do you feel about the proposal to name the new reserve in Seaton "Karra Reserve"?

☐ I support the proposal to name the new reserve "Karra Reserve".

☐ I do not support the request to name the new reserve "Karra Reserve".

☐ I don't really mind either way what the reserve is called.

Please provide any additional comments below:

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Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback with us.


Follow the YourSay project page ([yoursaycharlessturt.com.au/new-seaton-reserve-naming](https://yoursaycharlessturt.com.au/new-seaton-reserve-naming)) to be notified when a report is presented to the Asset Management Committee summarising the outcome of consultation and seeking a decision on the reserve naming request. Otherwise, participants will receive notification only once a final decision has been made.

\*By completing this form, you consent to the City of Charles Sturt collecting, retaining, and using the personal information provided by you in accordance with Council's Privacy Policy.

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## Your Say Charles Sturt Project Page:

<https://www.yoursaycharlessturt.com.au/new-seaton-reserve-naming>



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### New Seaton Reserve Naming

We have received a request to name the new reserve being constructed in the Renewal SA development in Seaton "Karra Reserve". We are now collating your responses.


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## More about the reserve naming

#### ? Where is the new reserve

The reserve is located between Glenburnie Street and Matthews Avenue in Seaton. It will be 365m<sup>2</sup> in area and will be developed and handed over to Council as part of the Renewal SA redevelopment of the surrounding land.



#### ? Why "Karra"? What does it mean

The word 'Karra' means 'River Redgum' in Kaurna language. The River Redgum has a place of importance in the history of the Kaurna community.

This name is proposed for the reserve because it reflects the significant redgum that will feature in the reserve and will align with the name of the new road to be constructed next to the reserve, called "Karra Avenue".

Our commitment to retain this significant river redgum tree is what determined the location of the reserve within the new development.

#### ? How will a decision be made

Under our Reserve Naming Policy, Council will consider a request to name or rename a reserve, if approved, we will undertake consultation to understand the views of the local area, and the broader community should they have an interest.

The outcomes of the consultation will be considered by the Council in making its final decision on the naming of the reserve. This decision is likely to be made in April/May. Other components that will inform decision-making will include the weight and merit of the initial request, expert advice, other historical, cultural, social, environmental, or economic factors, any other suggested names in the consultation process, as well as Council's discretionary view.

#### ? What happens if the proposed name is not supported?

If the community does not support the proposed reserve name, the Council will consider this in its decision, including any other proposed names, history or feedback provided during consultation. The final naming decision will rest with Council.

Consultation was open from 9am Monday, 6 March to 5pm Monday, 27 March.


#### Hardcopy Feedback Form - New Seaton Reserve Naming

PDF (176.25 KB)

If preferred, please download a copy of the feedback form to complete electronically or print and complete in hardcopy. You can then email or post the completed form back to us following the instructions in the form.

#### Share over the phone or contact us:

Would you prefer to share your feedback over the phone? Do you have a question that's not answered here? Feel free to contact me directly on the details below:

 Caitlin Tierney, Community Engagement Officer  
+61 8 8408 1132  
[osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au](mailto:osrp-consultation@charlessturt.sa.gov.au)

#### Interested in the outcome of this proposal?


Follow the page via the button in the banner to receive project updates. We will notify all contributors of the outcome late May/early June 2023.

## Complete our poll to share your view

Share your preference by 5pm Monday, 27 March 2023

Tell us how you feel about the naming the new reserve "Karra Reserve" by selecting the statement below that represents your preference. If you have an alternative suggestion you believe is valid, please share your comments below.

This poll has concluded.




I support the proposal to name the new reserve in Seaton "Karra Reserve".	64.7%
I don't really mind either way what the reserve is called.	11.8%
I don't support the proposal to name the new reserve in Seaton "Karra Reserve".	23.3%

Total Votes: 17


## Have comments to share?

Thank you for sharing your comments on the proposed name - "Karra Reserve" - or telling us what the name of this reserve might mean to you.

The City of Charles Sturt would like to acknowledge the land we occupy today is the traditional lands for the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country. We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the greater Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.



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## 5. ENGAGEMENT FINDINGS & KEY THEMES

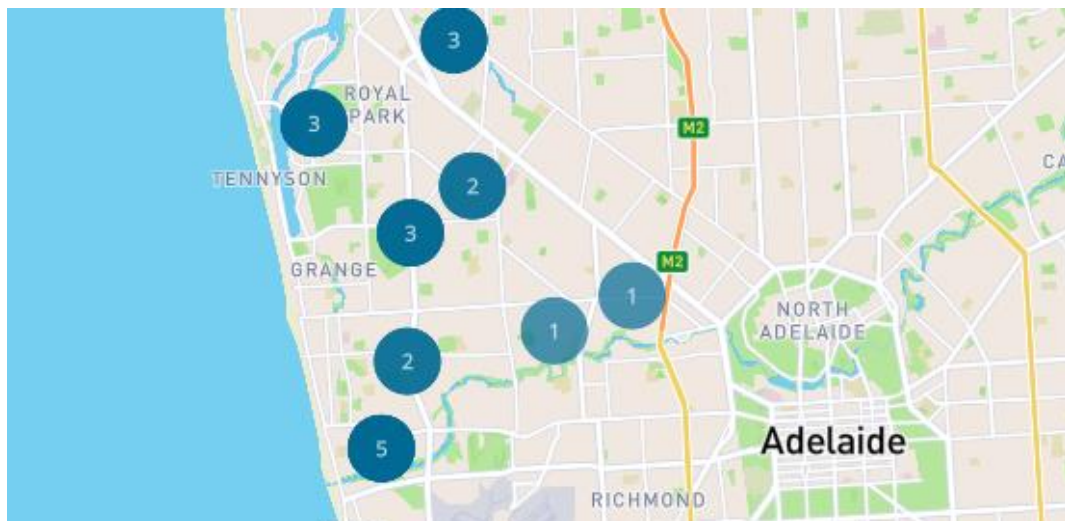
### 5.1 Participation

Overall, we received 23 responses and submissions, 21 of which were unique (eg did not submit the same sentiment in different feedback forms), during the period of consultation. There were 17 responses to the naming poll, 5 responses to the comment form and 1 email submission. Of those who completed the poll, only 2 participants provided further comment which supported their poll preference. An additional 4 participants provided comments only, submitted by email or through the YourSay online comment tool.

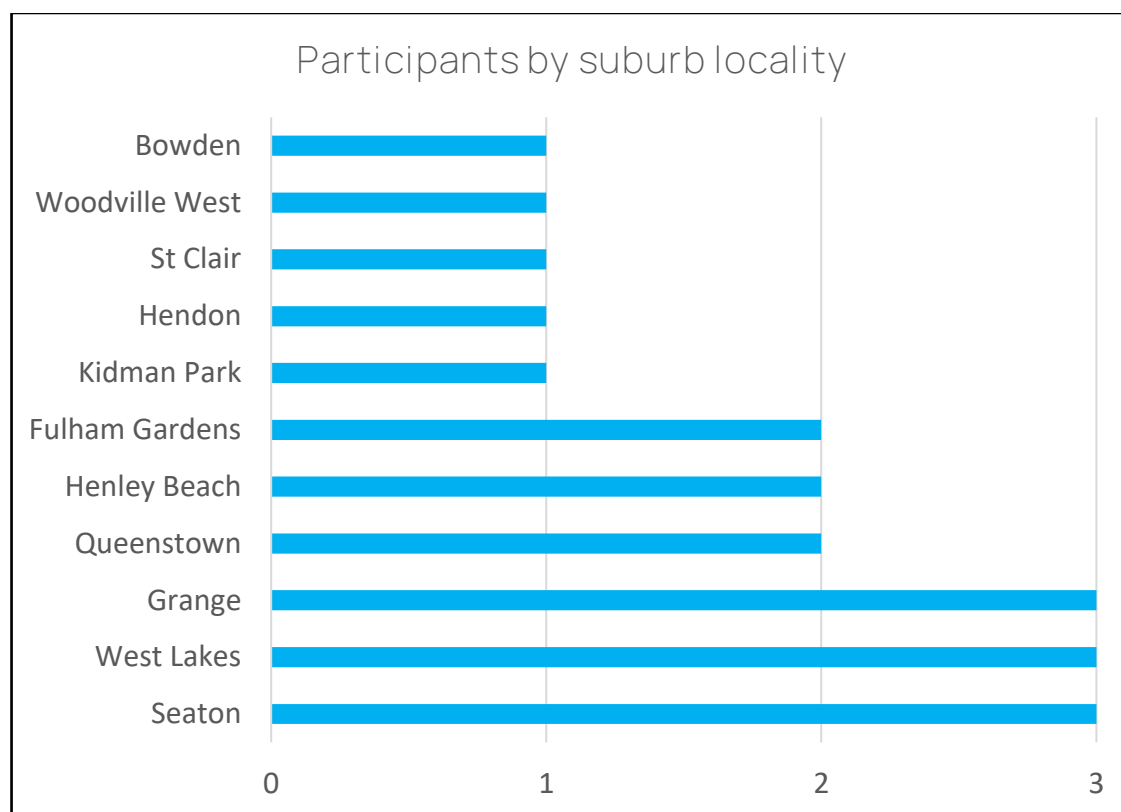
### 5.2 Location of participants

The residential location (suburb) was available for 20 of the 21 unique participants. Only 3 participants resided in Seaton (**Figures 2 and 3**). The remaining participants were from surrounding and other suburbs across the City, noting these participants may still work or own property in the Seaton area. Regardless, the data indicates low, local participation in the consultation which could also indicate low, local representation in the consultation results.

**Figure 2 – Participants represented by geographic location.**



**Figure 3 – Graph of participants location by suburb.**



### 5.3 Results

For the purposes of establishing the overall level of support, the 4 unique comment submissions were categorised into 1 of the 4 poll options based on their sentiment - 3 were against the proposed name, while 1 was indeterminate.

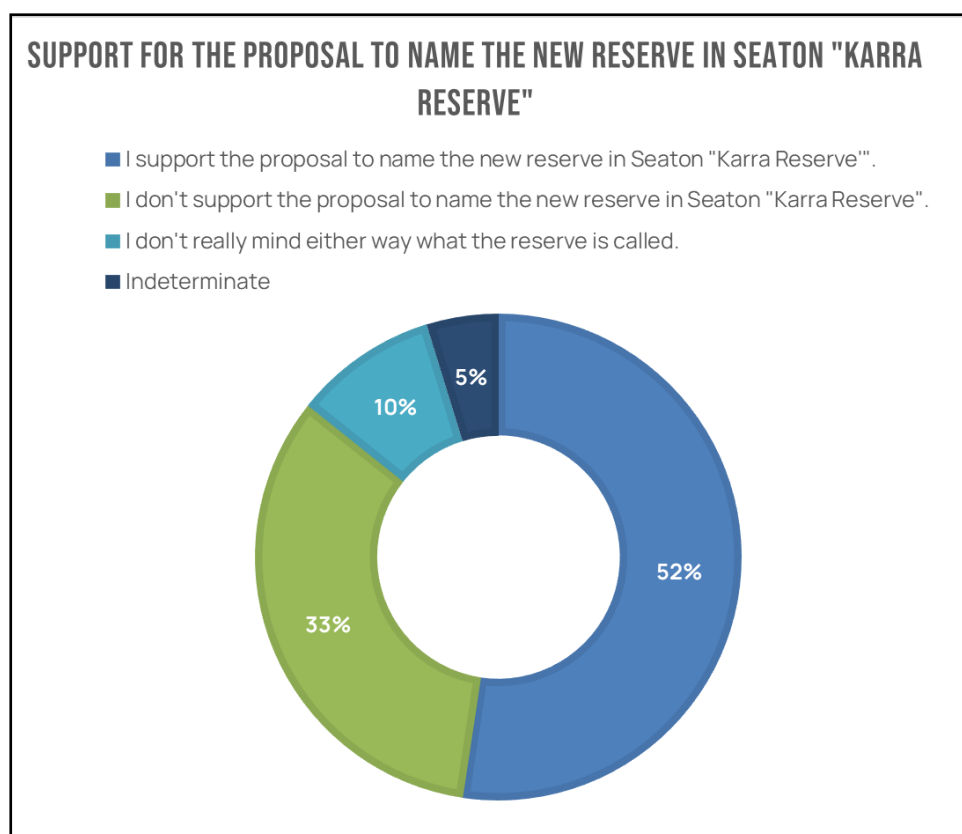
On this basis the results of the 21 unique submissions made during consultation can be summarised as follows:

- 11 were in support of the proposed name
- 7 did not support the proposed name
- 2 did not mind what the reserve was called
- 1 was indeterminate

Refer to **Figure 4**, over the page.



**Figure 4 – Chart demonstrating levels of support for the name “Karra Reserve”.**



## 5.4 Comment submissions and sentiment

### Positive/neutral sentiment

In relation to those who supported the proposed name, only 2 expressed further comment. These contributors valued the idea of using the significant tree as naming inspiration and as an opportunity to embed Kaurna language into community. It was also mentioned that the name will strengthen young people's connection to country and language. It was also suggested that either the street or the reserve, only, be named "Karra", but not both, and that we could name the street or reserve after an individual.

### Negative sentiment

The remaining 4 comments did not support a Kaurna name but it's important to note that these comments were largely misinformed, inappropriate, or (inadvertently) derogatory in nature. Some of these participants (2) also suggested the reserve be named after a person (such as a resident who has made a significant contribution to community and/or the welfare of this City). A further respondent (1) who did not support the proposed name was in fact objecting to the construction of the reserve and felt that housing should be built on this land instead.

All written comments and submissions can be viewed in **Appendix A**.

## 6. NEXT STEPS

The Asset Management Committee will review the outcomes of community engagement, as detailed in this report, on the requested name - “Karra Reserve” - for the new reserve in Seaton and consider the findings when deciding on the matter. Following a decision of Council, all consultation contributors, the consultation catchment area, and other identified communities of interest will be informed of the decision through direct notification. The wider public will be notified via our online platforms including Your Say Charles Sturt and our public website, as appropriate.

## APPENDIX A – COMMENTS AND SUBMISSIONS ON SEATON RESERVE NAMING CONSULTATION - “KARRA” RESERVE

Ref	Poll Response	Comment Submission	Staff Response
1	I don't support the proposal to name the new reserve in Seaton "Karra Reserve".	<p>I strongly oppose to the building the Reserve on the Housing property. Your demolished rental properties and we believe there new Housing properties should be constructed.</p> <p>We are living in very old Housing semi-attached houses. In my rental house everything too old. Lots of holes. Mouses and cockroaches are living there. Windows frames broken, so no any security. Housing doing nothing.</p> <p>We are waiting for relocation for many years. But instead of properties you build a Reserve.</p> <p>Ok. Name it "Hopeless Residents Reserve". Thankyou.</p>	<p>The land division surrounding the new reserve was undertaken by Renewal SA. As part of any new land division where more than 20 allotments are created, the developer is required by State Planning Policy to make provision for a reserve to ensure new landowners have access to appropriate areas of open space.</p> <p>Within our City, we aim to ensure all residents have access to public open space located within 300m of their home. This is to ensure equity, health benefits and urban cooling.</p>
2	I support the proposal to name the new reserve in Seaton "Karra Reserve".	<p>I value the idea of using the significant red gum as inspiration and using this opportunity to embed Kurna language into community. The children of Seaton Community Children's Centre will be able to access the reserve as it is in walking distance and will strengthen their connection to country and language. This is a way to be active in reconciliation and be leaders in the community - well done!</p>	Noted. This is great to hear.

## APPENDIX A – COMMENTS AND SUBMISSIONS ON SEATON RESERVE NAMING CONSULTATION - “KARRA” RESERVE

Ref	Sentiment	Written submission only (did not complete the poll)	Staff Response
3	Objection	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] I would like to be named after the late mayor Hamilton.</p>	<p>Under our <a href="#">Reserve Naming Policy</a>, as a general guideline reserve naming should relate to the prominent adjoining street, locality or suburb. However where a specific request is made to Council to name or rename a reserve (for example in memory of a relative, community member, previous landowner/s etc), the Reserve Naming Policy principles and processes will apply. Any resident of Charles Sturt can make a request to name a reserve, for example in recognition of an individual who has made a significant contribution to the City, and the request will be considered under the Policy guidelines.</p>
4	Neutral	<p>According to the advice in this yoursay post, the name "Karra" is to be used for one of the new streets in the same vicinity. That intention is respectful and reasonable.</p> <p>Furthermore, the name "Karra" is already used as the Kurna name for the Torrens River (Karrawirra Pari).</p> <p>Using the same name for this new reserve is an unnecessary duplication.</p> <p>Council should recognise a City of Charles Sturt resident who has made a significant or worthwhile contribution to the life and/or welfare of this City and name the new reserve after them rather than calling it by a name which is already in use.</p> <p>Alternatively, name the reserve "Karra" and choose another name for the new street.</p>	<p>Noted. See response #3.</p>

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Ref	Sentiment	Written submission only (did not complete the poll)	Staff Response
6	Objection	I live in matthews ave seaton. I don't like the name [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] I don't support [REDACTED] what your doing.	Noted.