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BATHURST TOWN SQUARE RECOGNISED

The community is encouraged to comment on a proposal to formally recognise the historic Bathurst Town Square.

NSW Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, said the Bathurst Town Square Group proposed the name as a community initiative to conserve the historic precinct bounded by William, Russell, George and Howick Streets.

"The Town Square was included in Major Thomas Mitchell’s town plan for Bathurst commissioned by Governor Darling in 1829 and published in 1833," the Minister said.

Member for Bathurst, Gerard Martin, welcomed the proposal.

"This proposal has the support of the Bathurst Regional Council and the general public has one month to respond to the Geographical Names Board," Mr Martin said.

Details can be accessed through the board’s website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au and responses can also be lodged online.

Written submissions can be mailed to the Secretary of the Geographical Names Board, Panorama Avenue, Bathurst 2795.

Closing date for submissions is Monday, 30 August, 2010.