

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## 'RYDE CENTRAL' NEW NAME FOR CIVIC HUB SITE

Council has received advice from the Geographic Names Board that its application to rename the Ryde Civic Hub site 'Ryde Central' has been approved.

The new name appeared in the NSW Government Gazette on 19 May 2017 following the exhibition of the name 'Ryde Central' by the Geographical Names Board of NSW, between 12 April and 15 May 2017, which did not attract any objections.

'Ryde Central' won the People's Choice in a 'Name the Site' competition for the Design Our Ryde Civic Precinct site at 1 Devlin Street, Ryde.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Bill Pickering, said: "The reference to 'Ryde Central' was first used in 1841 by land owner James Devlin to describe a number of building lots under the title 'plan of the village of Ryde'. It has a strong geographic and historical link to this iconic site and brings with it an exciting new identity."

'Ryde Central' takes in the site of the Council's previous administration centre, the Ryde Civic Centre building, and the still operational Ryde Civic Hall which continues to host many Council and community events, including Citizenship Ceremonies and the Ryde Eisteddfod.

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