

Community Consultation Survey Regarding Proposed Name Change of Duncan Street Reserve:

Comments added by those who chose:

“Peggy Kelly Park”

“Sister Martin Kelly MBE was inducted into the WA Women's Hall of Fame when I was Minister for Women's Interests in 2016. A short biography of her contribution to the women and children of this state is available on the WA Women's Hall of Fame website, however it does not cover all of her contributions. To her family, friends and the women and children she helped, she was known as Sister Peggy, or Peggy Kelly. I think that this is an appropriate way for her to be remembered locally by the renaming of Duncan Street Reserve.”

“I am fully supportive of the name change in recognition of the great humanitarian work done by Sr Peggy Kelly. Associating her work and MBE with Victoria Park in this way is good for the family and good for the Town. It is furthermore a very appropriate name for the park, as her family home was adjacent to it, and she probably used that land for recreation as children did in those days.. She also went to school nearby. Identifying those who do good work needs to be specific to the person in my view, , so Peggy Kelly Park is the most appropriate name.of those offered - in fact the only suitable name of those offered.

There have been lots of Kelly's in WA, and probably quite a few Sister Kelly's, so those names are inappropriate, being too vague. Martin Kelly Park is totally inappropriate as it could be associated with a male person and was never used in practice. Her registered name was Margaret Frances Kelly, and her religious name was Sr Mary Martin. Family knew her as Peggy Kelly and to others it was Sr Mary Martin.. Martin was never used on its own with Kelly.

Her MBE is in the name of Sister Mary Martin Kelly and that would be OK but it might be a bit too long for a park or for the naming protocol - but it was OK for the MBE? Sr Peggy Kelly Park might be OK too, but are we limited to no more than 3 words?

Family views should be heavily weighted in this decision I think. But as stated I think Peggy Kelly Park is the only choice from those offered, and is a suitable name for the Park."

"I think it appropriate to name the park after a passed resident of such high profile. A person who lived in the area and worked for improved quality of life for those in need."

"I wrote a submission in support of this proposal."

"amazing inspirational woman, high achiever from a humble profession"

"I think recognizing a local hero is better than knowing that the street that a park. The sculpture is an excellent symbol of woman supporting woman, I think Peggy would approve."

"Lighten up this park also. Shade is required but can appear a bit dark at times and attracts people that stare at children"

Comments added by those who chose:

"Sister Kelly Park"

"I support the name change and to recognise Sister Kelly's contribution to Vic Park at a site local to where she once lived."

"Attaching the word 'Park' to the end sounds like it is her full name. You should consider keeping 'Reserve' eg. Peggy Kelly Reserve, Sister Kelly Reserve. Park sounds like a surname.

In keeping with this line of thought, my answer would be 'Sister Kelly Reserve'. Thank you. "

"Whilst I would prefer Sister Kelly Park, I would also be happy with Martin Kelly Park as they are both names that recognises the Sister's contribution."

"Sister Martin Kelly park preferred as that is who she was known as (full name and sister)"

"Hope it includes an explanatory sign about Sister Kelly."

"I think it's a great idea. I didn't know who this amazing person was until I had read of this proposal. Really appropriate as the park is so near the school".

"I think naming this park Sister Kelly Park not only honours one of our local female hero's but also acknowledges her vocation".

"Is there a reason why the Sister's full name and title wasn't suggested, e.g. Sister Martin 'Peggy' Kelly Park.

I appreciate it is a longer name, but it captures her name and role in the community fully. "

"This suggestion from Historic Vic Park (the organisation) is in line with its objects and I, as a member, support the renaming."

"I would like to defer to the family's preference. The name needs to be able to link back easily to the person. Nuns of that era would have been generally known as Sr Martin. I would prefer Sr Martin Kelly. Is there going to be a short biography attached".

"Please do the name change soon."

Comments added by those who chose:

"Martin Kelly Park"

"Councilors[sic] naming themselves after parks is not appropriate nowadays as councilors[sic] are getting paid for their work."

"Preferred name would be Sister Martin Kelly Park (or Sr Martin Kelly Park) as this more accurately reflects her name. I strongly support the renaming of Duncan Street Reserve as Sr Martin is my aunty. But more importantly her contribution to WA as a pioneer in child welfare, a woman recognised by the State and Church for her contribution to provide a better future for disadvantaged children and families, and her longstanding connection to Victoria Park, where she spent her formative years."

"I used the park as a child and I remember the Kelly family who lived next to the park. My Aunty Sister Mary Michael was a nun at St Joachims with Mary Martin so I knew her quite well. I think naming the park in her honour is a wonderful tribute to an amazing woman."