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New suburb proposal to be put to community

A proposal to create a new suburb called Tonsley will be put to Clovelly Park residents and businesses next week.

The City of Marion is leading community consultation on Renewal SA's proposed renaming of the southern section of Clovelly Park which will begin with a letterbox drop of households and businesses affected by the plan.

Renewal SA wrote to Marion Council in November last year requesting support to rename a southern portion of Clovelly Park.

The proposal would see the 61-hectare Tonsley industry, education and residential precinct, Monroe Shock Absorbers and a small number of streets bounded by the Tonsley railway line and South Rd incorporated in the new suburb.

A number of businesses immediately north of the proposed new boundary have also requested to be included.

Mayor Kris Hanna said Marion Council supported the proposal but it was important that the community provided feedback before a decision was made.

"Creating the suburb of Tonsley is an opportunity to connect the area to the growing innovation district," Mr Hanna said.

"The benefits of creating the suburb, views of local residents, businesses and emergency service providers and historical factors must be considered before a decision is made.

"Council is leading the consultation as we are close to the community and I urge people affected by the proposed renaming to make comments on the Making Marion website."

People can comment on the proposed Tonsley suburb from 12 May to 12 June at **makingmarion.com.au/tonsley-suburb-renaming**

The process is being managed by the Office of the Surveyor-General, which will recommend to the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure whether or not to proceed with the name change.

The suggestion to create a community with a new identity and address first arose in 2012 during master planning for the Tonsley site.

The change would allow businesses in the area to include the Tonsley suburb name in their address, identifying them with innovation and helping to market their products and services.

Since opening at the former Mitsubishi assembly plant three years ago, the 61-hectare Tonsley site has grown to host more than 30 companies and about 800 jobs with further growth planned.

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In January this year, Marion Council agreed to write to the Surveyor-General advising it supports renaming the suburb subject to appropriate consultation.

The City of Marion will report the results of the community consultation to the Office of the Surveyor-General after which a decision will be made.

The Tonsley name has a more than 140-year history in the area after the Ragless family bought the farmland in 1869, and renamed it after Tonsley Hall in England.

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