



## Quong Tart Plaza

25 March 2024

Dear Community Member,

I am writing about the naming of Quong Tart Plaza which will recognise the long-standing contributions of people of Chinese backgrounds to Ashfield.

This is part of Council's continuing commitment to honouring our migrant communities' contributions to the Inner West. In recent years we've named the precincts Little Portugal in Petersham, Little Italy in Leichhardt, Little Greece, and Little Vietnam in Marrickville.

### What's happening now?

We're proposing to add 'Quong Tart Plaza' as an additional name for Hercules Street, Ashfield. Hercules Street, Ashfield will still remain a valid address, however we would like to highlight the area where a memorial bust of Moy Quong Tart 梅光達 is displayed proudly in the street.

### About Moy Quong Tart 梅光達 (1850-1903)

A celebrated philanthropist, businessman and Ashfield local, Quong Tart was born in China and moved to the Australian goldfields at the age of nine. He was a prominent merchant of the nineteenth century and made a significant impact on the social and political scene of Sydney during a period of strong Anti-Chinese sentiment in Australia. Often, he was regarded as a patron to the vulnerable and poor, alleviating poverty through charitable efforts, and providing reasonable employment conditions for staff, all of which was uncommon at the time.

### How to have your say

Please let us know your view on the proposal to name 'Quong Tart Plaza' and your ideas for any other ways Council can recognise and celebrate Chinese culture in Ashfield. Please see the reverse side for information for how to make a submission.

Yours sincerely,

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## Have your say

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- By email to [multicultural@innerwest.nsw.gov.au](mailto:multicultural@innerwest.nsw.gov.au)
- By phone to Raphaella Karaiskakis on 9392 5215
- By mail to Inner West Council, PO Box 14, Petersham 2049, attention to Raphaella Karaiskakis



**The last day to provide feedback is 17 April 2024.**

### **What happens next?**

Council will review all responses and decide whether to lodge an application with the NSW Geographical Names Board (GNB) for consideration. If the GNB supports the proposal, they will undertake further community consultation before deciding whether to approve the new name.

### **Further information**

Please contact Raphaella Karaiskakis on 9392 5215 if you have any questions.