PEACE PARK PETITION

To the Mayor and Councillors of Marrickville Council.

We, the undersigned petitioners, honour and respect all Australians who have died and suffered in war.

As well as using the Gallipoli Centenary 2015 as an opportunity to commemorate all Marrickville residents who lost their lives in the service of their country, we also believe it is important to use the commemoration as an opportunity to reflect on other aspects of Australia's involvement in armed conflict.

In particular, we believe that the Gallipoli Centenary commemoration should be more inclusive by not only acknowledging the impact that war has had on service men and women, but by also recognising the impact war has had on:

- Their families, both during and after the cessation of hostilities;
- Advocates of non-violent methods of resolving conflict;
- Those who opposed the war as conscientious objectors.

It is also an opportunity to reflect on the colonisation of Australia by Europeans, the resistance and dispossession of the Aboriginal people and the lasting effects of that process.

We, the undersigned petitioners, therefore call upon Marrickville Council to designate the Richardson's Lookout precinct in The Warren as a Peace Park.

Such a Peace Park would not only evoke the conflicts of the past -– The Warren being a military encampment during World War 1 – but it would also symbolise the ongoing endeavours of those who seek alternatives to violence as a means of resolving conflict within and between nations.

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