### SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### **5 FEBRUARY 2020**

#### **AGENDA ITEM C5**

### PROPOSED NAMING OF NEW ROAD, 741 KAHUTARA ROAD, IN FEATHERSTON

#### **Purpose of Report**

To seek Council's approval of the name "Charles Robert Drive" for a proposed road/right of way to access a subdivision by *Bidwill Moran Dobson Neill & Andrews*.

#### Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

- 1. Receive the Proposed Naming of the road at 741 Kahutara Road, in Featherston
- 2. Approve the name "Charles Robert Drive".

#### 1. Background

*Bidwill Moran Dobson Neill & Andrews* seeks to name a Road/Right of Way as part of a rural subdivision (RC 190094) at *741 Kahutara Road, in Featherston* (see appended plan in the request at Appendix 1).

Council has authority to accept or reject suggested names of roads/rights of way in the South Wairarapa pursuant to Section 319(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1974.

The Martinborough Community Board resolved to support the name "Charles Robert Drive" at the MCB 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 Meeting.

Subdivision location:





#### 2. Discussion

#### 2.1 Legal situation

Under Council's guidelines (Clause 4.2) for road naming, owners are requested to suggest at least three possible road names.

The names are to be listed in order of preference with a brief statement of their significance.

The applicant has requested that the following names are considered;

- 1. Charles Robert Drive
- 2. Charles Robert Lane
- 3. Carne's Way

#### 2.2 Assessment of Councils Policy

The applicants request has been assessed against the Council's criteria for Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way (the Policy), including the following;

<u>4.3.1</u> There must not be another road with the same name in the South Wairarapa District emergency services area; this includes the same road names with a different suffix. However, existing roads with the dame names as of the date of adoption of this Policy are allowed.

There are no existing roads or right of ways which include "Charles Robert Drive", "Charles Robert Lane" or Carne Way within the Wairarapa.

<u>4.3.2</u> Identical names with different spellings will not be accepted (e.g. Beach, Beech).

No issue identified.

#### <u>4.3.3</u> The name should have significant local content or meaning.

The application has set out why the preferred names have been selected.

The proposed names have specific local content and meaning.

The three proposed names represent the name of the farmer Charles Robert Bidwill who introduced sheep farming into the district in 1844. The descendants of Charles Robert Bidwill have been farming in the region since then. Charles Robert Bidwill was Carne Bidwill's grandfather and Sandy Bidwill's great grandfather.

<u>4.3.4</u> Names are to be selected in proportion to the length of the road. Long names on short cul-de-sac's can be difficult to display on the map

None of the proposed names are particularly long and can be clearly displayed on a map.

<u>4.3.5</u> The end name for the roadway should be one that most accurately reflects the type of roadway that it is.

All proposed names are considered consistent with the policy.

<u>4.3.6</u> All private roads and rights-of-ways serving more than four lots are to have the suffix "Lane" or "Way".

All proposed names are considered consistent with the policy.

<u>4.3.7</u> Where the road is continuation of an existing named road, or will in the future link to an existing named road, then the current road name will automatically apply.

Not applicable.

#### 3. Conclusion

It is recommended that the Council approve the applicants preferred name "Charles Robert Drive". This name is consistent with the guideline criteria in the road naming policy.

#### 4. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Road name application

Appendix 2 - Subdivision scheme plan

Appendix 3 – Historic abstract.

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# **Appendix 1 - Road name application**

### Application for a New Road or Right of Way Name





Please review Council's Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights of Way (including the list of suggested suffixes) to guide you in selecting a road name.

The application must include:

- A copy of the subdivision plan highlighting the road(s) or Right of Way to be named.
- A map indicating the proposed location of any sign posts and the direction the sign should point.
- Application fee of \$115 (GST inclusive).

1 Applicant Details	
Contact Name S	ANDY BIDWILL
Address 7	41 KAHUTARA ROAD, RDI. FEATHERSTON
Telephone	274916972
Email	ajchidwillextra. co. 12
Signature	Date 22/11/17
2 Road Details and Proposed Names	
Road 1	Vested in Council Private NALUATION No 1829016100
Legal description	693 KAMUTARA ROAD, LOT 129 423275 LOTS 3,4 DP 7600
First Choice	CHARLES ROBERT DRIVE
Second Choice	CHARLES ROBERT LANE
Third Choice	CARNE'S WAY
Road 2	Vested in Council Private
Legal description	
First Choice	
Second Choice	
Third Choice	
Road 3	Vested in Council Private
Legal description	
First Choice	
Second Choice	
Third Choice	

### **B** Background Details

Provide reasons for the preferred names, referencing specific sections of the Road Naming Policy:

Road 1 CHARLES ROBERT BIDWILL WAS MY GREAT, GREAT GRANDFATHER AND THE FIRST PERSON TO BRING SHEEP INTO THE WAIRARAPA IN 1844. HE STARTED FARMING HERE AND OUR FAMILY ARE STILL FARMING. CARNE BADWILL WAS MY GRANDFARHER. Road 2 Road 3

#### Notes:

- Fees can be paid by cash, cheque, or by direct deposit to 02-0680-0027337-00 with the reference "roadname" where
  possible.
- The application will be considered by the full Council at their next available meeting. Applicants will be informed of the Council's decision in writing.
- The Council will then arrange nameplates, posts, brackets and installation, and will invoice the applicant for all costs.
- Re-naming an existing road requires community consultation and a recommendation from the relevant Community Board and is a separate process to naming a new road or Right of Way.

## **Appendix 2 - Scheme Plan**



# **Appendix 3 - Historic abstract**

## Appendix 3

## **Historical Details**

### WHAREKAKA STATION

On this plain in mid-May 1844, sheep belonging to Charles Clifford, Henry Petre and William Vavasour with F. A. Weld as a later partner arrived from the Hutt. A week later C. R. Bidwill, whose sheep were already round the coast, assisted by William Swainson, brought his flock to Kopungarara (later Pihautea) station to the north. These two Maori grazing leaseholds, Wharekaka and Pihautea, were the first New Zealand sheep stations.

Clifford and Weld took up Flaxbourne in the South Island in 1847 and Wharekaka was abandoned early in 1851, being later absorbed in part by the Dry River and Huangarua stations.