

# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## AGENDA ITEM C3

### NAMING OF RIGHT-OF-WAY OFF 39 WELD STREET "WAKA LANE"

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#### **Purpose of Report**

To obtain a decision on an application by the Lorenzo Trust to name the private right-of-way at 39 Weld Street, Martinborough.

#### **Recommendations**

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information, and.*
2. *Approve the name "Waka Lane" pursuant to Section 319A of the Local Government Act 1974.*

## **1. Background**

The Lorenzo Trust (Joanna Crabb) have applied to name a private right-of-way (ROW) at 39 Weld Street, Martinborough. The ROW was created by subdivision consent 3643 and will serve 5 residential lots. Council is responsible for naming roads in the South Wairarapa and has the authority to name the ROW pursuant to Section 319A of the Local Government Act.

## **2. Discussion**

### **2.1 Legal Implications**

The application complies with Council's Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way (the Policy). ROWs are not maintained by Council but they are formally named by Council in accordance with the Policy.

Pursuant to guideline 4.2 of the Policy, applicants are required to list three possible road names for Council's consideration and approval. The names are to be listed in order of preference with a brief statement of their significance. The applicant has included the following two options:

- Waka Lane
- Kupe Lane

It is considered that Waka Lane is an appropriate name choice as it refers to the Nga Waka a Kupe hills that can be viewed from town. The name follows guideline 4.3.3 in the policy which states that the name should have significant local content or meaning.

Their second choice Kupe Lane is a similarly appropriate historic name however there is a Kupe Drive in Carterton. Section 4.3.1 of the Road Naming Policy does not allow for same road names (even with different suffixes) in one emergency services area so Kupe Lane should not be considered.

Guideline 4.3.6 specifies that all private roads and rights-of-way serving more than four lots are to have the suffix "Lane" or "Way". "Waka Lane" would satisfy this requirement.

## **2.2 Financial Considerations**

There are no financial implications for Council as pursuant to Section 4.2.6 of the Policy any costs associated with this road naming application are to be met by the applicant.

## **3. Long Term Plan – Community Outcomes**

The proposed road name would add to the vibrancy of the Martinborough community and at the same time acknowledges the history of the area. Furthermore, establishing an appropriate name for the ROW will help to ensure the area is more accessible and easy to get around for residents and visitors alike.

## **4. Conclusion**

Officers recommend that Council approves the road name Waka Lane. This is the preferred first option and meets all the guideline criteria in the road naming policy. The name has not been used for a road in the Wairarapa before and gives recognition to local history in the area. The recommendation also complies with the community wellbeing outcomes in the Long Term Plan.

## **5. Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Location Map of Proposed "Waka Lane"

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