



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Kia Reretahi Tātau

AGENDA

Supplementary Reports Ordinary Council Meeting Thursday, 11 December 2025

Date: Thursday, 11 December 2025

Time: 1:30 pm

**Location: Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street
Martinborough**

**Janice Smith
Chief Executive Officer**

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8.4 PROPOSED NAMING OF A NEW RIGHT OF WAY, AT 51 WOOD STREET, GREYTOWN

Author: Janice Smith, Chief Executive Officer

File Number: N/A

PURPOSE

To seek South Wairarapa District Council's consideration and approval of the name "Rakau Lane" for a proposed private road/right of way to access a 6-lot residential subdivision by Neil & Jill Galbreath

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The report seeks Council approval for naming a new private right of way at 51 Wood Street, Greytown, as "Rakau Lane", serving a six-lot residential subdivision.
- The proposed name meets all criteria under Council's road naming policy, including uniqueness within the district, cultural significance, and appropriate suffix for a private road serving more than four lots.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council:

1. Receive the *Proposed Naming of a New Right of Way, at 51 Wood Street, in Greytown* Report.
2. Consider and approve the Proposed Naming of "Rakau Lane" for the proposed right of way at 51 Wood Street, Greytown.

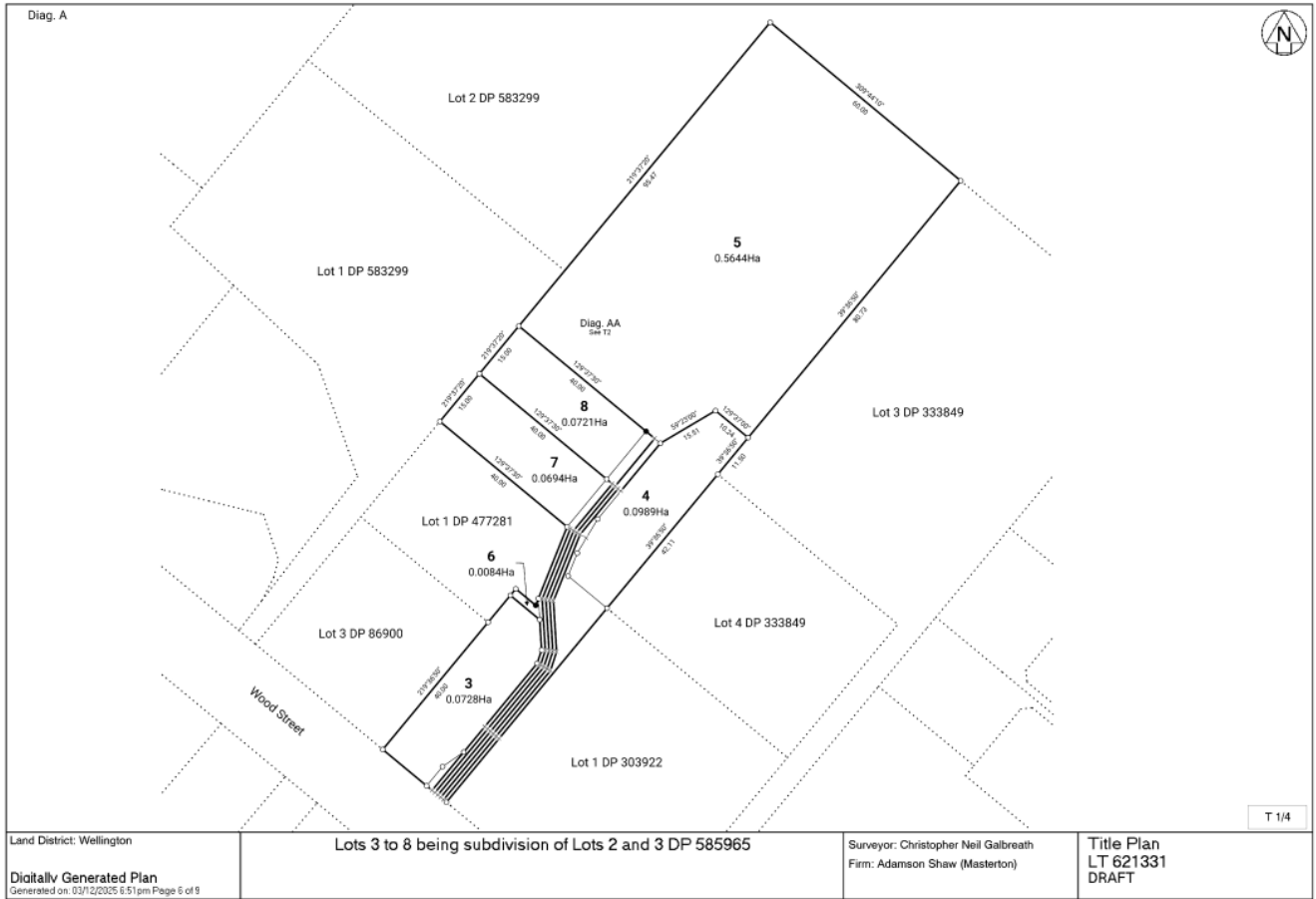
BACKGROUND

Neil & Jill Galbreath seek to name a New Right of Way which is part of a 6-lot residential subdivision (RC 230073) at *51 Wood Street, in Greytown* (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.

There is no current pre-approved list of road names for the Greytown area. The proposed name is "Rakau Lane" which is the applicants preferred option for this new right of way. Considering the right of way branching off Wood Street, the applicant has proposed this unique Māori name. The preferred suffix for this road name is 'Lane' which is consistent with the policy requirements of accurately reflecting the type of roadway. South Wairarapa District Council has delegation to approve road names. This report is required to give South Wairarapa District Council an opportunity to review and approve the proposed road name.

Subdivision location:



DISCUSSION

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.

However, the applicant has requested that the following name be considered for approval;

1. Rakau Lane

Assessment of Councils Policy

Council's criteria for Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way (the Policy), includes the following;

4.3.1 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 same names as of the date of adoption of this Policy are allowed.

There are no existing roads or right of ways which include the proposed name "Rakau Lane". It is recommended to consider this Māori name as it is unique.

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

No issue identified.

4.3.3 The name should have significant local content or meaning.

The application has set out why the preferred name has been selected. The following information has been copied from the road name application.

Rakau Lane

The right of way will serve subdivided lots at 51 Wood Street and 53 Wood Street. The naming of the right of way off Wood Street prompted the Māori name "Rakau" which in Te Reo Māori refers to wood, tree or stick. Considering the length of the right of way, the suffix "Lane" has been added reflecting the narrow road. Overall, as a branch off Wood Street, it is appropriate that the right of way take the name "Rakau".

4.3.4 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

The proposed name "Rakau Lane" is short in length and should be able to be displayed sufficiently on the maps.

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

The proposed name is considered consistent with the policy, private road/right of ways having a suffix of Lane or Way.

4.3.6 *All private roads and rights-of-ways serving more than four lots are to have the suffix “Lane” or “Way”.*

The proposed name is considered consistent with the policy serving more than four lots.

4.3.7 *Where the road is continuation of an existing named road, nor will in the future link to an existing named road, then the current road name will automatically apply.*

Not applicable.

Procedure for Naming Roads of the Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way Policy Review

Section 4.2 will be reviewed and aligned with South Wairarapa District Council’s delegation to name roads when it is next reviewed.

CONCLUSION

The proposed name is consistent with the guideline criteria in the road naming policy. Considering the right of way as a branch off Wood Street, the applicant has proposed a Māori name “Rakau” (wood, tree or stick) and submitted the name “Rakau Lane” for this right of way in proportion to the length of the right of way. South Wairarapa has delegation to approve road names.

COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE

Full consideration has been given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 S77 in relation to decision making, in particular:

1. A Local authority must, in the course of the decision-making process,
 - a) Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and
 - b) Assess the options in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - c) If any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna and other taonga.
2. This section is subject to Section 79 - Compliance with procedures in relation to decisions.

Compliance requirement	Staff assessment
State the level of significance (high or low) of the issue or proposal as determined by the Council’s Significance and Engagement Policy	This is a matter of low significance.
State the relevant Council policies (external or internal), legislation, and/or community outcomes (as stated in the Long Term Plan) that relate to this decision.	This report complies with SWDC’s Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way Policy
State the possible implications for Māori and how Māori have been provided with	There are no implications for Māori.

an opportunity to contribute to decision making if this decision is significant and relates to land and/or any body of water.	
Chief Financial Officer review	The Chief Financial Officer has not reviewed this report.
State the possible implications for health and safety	Nil

APPENDICES

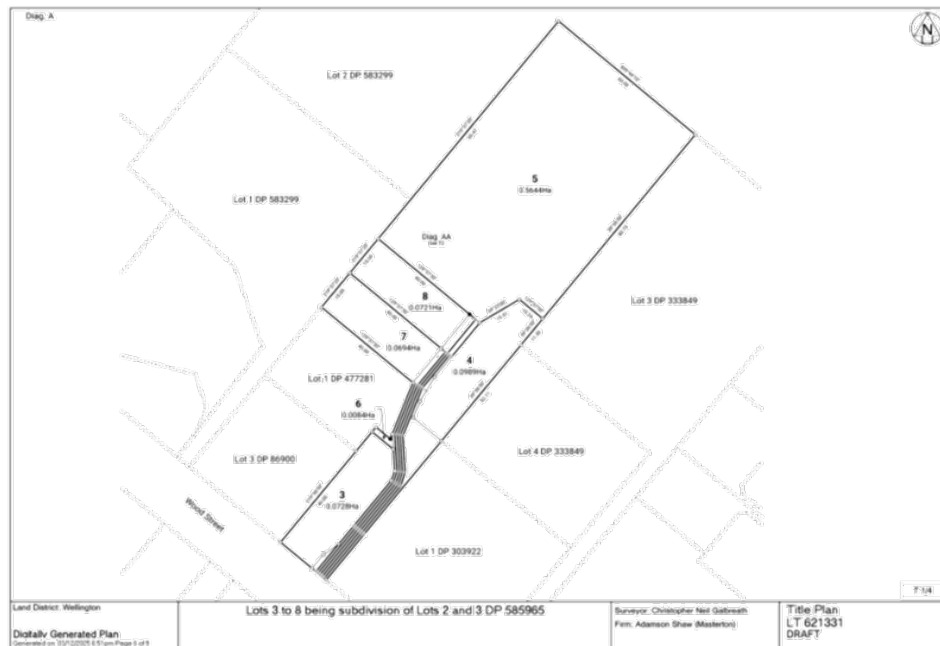
Appendix 1 Draft Title Plan

Appendix 2 230073 Road naming Application - note: contact details redacted under LGOIMA s7(2)(a)

Appendix 3 LT 621331 Title plan - 3 December 2025

Appendix 4 Road Naming Policy 2018

Draft Title Plan



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.
- An explanation of local significance for each proposed road name.
- Application fee (this will be invoiced once lodged).



SOUTH WAIRARAPA
DISTRICT COUNCIL
P.O. Box 100, Wairarapa

1 Applicant Details

Contact Name	NEIL GALBREATH	
Address	51 WOOD STREET, GREYTON	
Telephone	[REDACTED]	
Email	[REDACTED]	
Signature	[Signature]	Date 02 / JULY / 2025

2 Road Details and Proposed Names (please refer to notes below)

Road 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Vested in Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Private
Legal description	Subdivision of Lots 2 and 3 585965	
First Choice	RAKALI LANE	
Second Choice		
Third Choice		
Road 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Vested in Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Private
Legal description		
First Choice		
Second Choice		
Third Choice		
Road 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Vested in Council	<input type="checkbox"/> Private
Legal description		
First Choice		
Second Choice		
Third Choice		

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3 Background Details

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

Road 1

Please see attached sheet.

Road 2**Road 3****Notes:**

- The application will be considered by the appropriate Community Board at their next available meeting. Applicants will be informed of the decision in writing.
- If a name has not been selected from a pre-approved list, an explanation of local significance must be outlined for new road names.
- 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.

This application is for the naming of a New Right-of-Way which will serve six lots. The application is being submitted jointly by the owners:

Neil and Jill Galbreath, 51 Wood Street, Greytown, and
Christopher Galbreath and Alisha Barrett, 53 Wood Street, Greytown.

The applicants suggest that the sign for the new right-of-way be mounted to the wooden post currently at the proposed location as shown on the accompanying subdivision plan/map. This post currently carries electrical overhead lines.

The following reasons are given for the preferred right-of-way name, referencing specific sections of the Road Naming Policy Section 4.3 Guidelines for the selection of new road names.

4.3.1 There are no other roads with the same or similar name in the South Wairarapa District, nor in the wider Wairarapa area.

4.3.2 There are no other identical names with different spelling.

4.3.3 The proposed name, "Rakau", in te reo maori, refers to wood, tree or stick. The right-of-way will serve lots subdivided from lots currently at 51 and 53 Wood Street. As a branch off Wood Street, it is appropriate that the right-of-way take the name "Rakau"

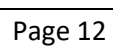
4.3.4 The length of the proposed name "Rakau", being short, is in proportion to the length of the right-of-way.

4.3.5 The proposed suffix "Lane" is the one that most accurately reflects the type of road, which is a narrow road.

4.3.6 The proposed suffix "Lane" meets the Council requirement to use "Lane" or "Way" for this right-of-way which serves more than four lots.

4.3.7 The proposed right-of-way will not be a continuation of an existing named road, nor will it in future, link to an existing named road.

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Title Plan - LT 621331

Survey Number LT 621331
Surveyor Reference 2728 Galbreath
Surveyor Christopher Neil Galbreath
Survey Firm Adamson Shaw (Masterton)
Surveyor Declaration

Survey Details

Dataset Description Lots 3 to 8 being subdivision of Lots 2 and 3 DP 585965
Status Initiated
Land District Wellington
Survey Class Class A
Submitted Date
Survey Approval Date
Deposit Date

Territorial Authorities

South Wairarapa District

Comprised In

RT 1106818
 RT 1106819
 RT 661104

Created Parcels

Parcels	Parcel Intent	Area	RT Reference
Lot 3 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.0728 Ha	1270226
Lot 4 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.0989 Ha	1270227
Lot 5 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.5644 Ha	1259170
Lot 6 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.0084 Ha	1259172
Lot 7 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.0694 Ha	1259171
Lot 8 Deposited Plan 621331	Fee Simple Title	0.0721 Ha	1259171
Area A Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area B Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area C Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area D Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area E Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area F Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area G Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area H Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area I Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area J Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area K Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area L Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area M Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area N Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area O Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Area P Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		



Title Plan - LT 621331

Created Parcels

Parcels	Parcel Intent	Area	RT Reference
Area Q Deposited Plan 621331	Easement		
Total Area		0.8860 Ha	

Schedule / Memorandum

LT 621331 Schedule/Memorandum

Land registration district
Wellington

Territorial authority
South Wairarapa District

Memorandum of Easements

Parcels shown with a prefix of HL- include height-limited boundaries

PURPOSE	SHOWN	BURDENED LAND	BENEFITED LAND
Right of way Right to drain sewage, water Right to convey electricity, telecommunications, water	A	Lot 3	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	B	Lot 6	Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	C	Lot 7	Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	D	Lot 8	Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	E	Lot 5	Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	F	Lot 4	Lot 3, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	G	Lot 6	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	H	Lot 7	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	I	Lot 8	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	J	Lot 5	Lot 4, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	K	Lot 4	Lot 5, Lot 6, Lot 7, Lot 8, Lot 1 DP 477281
" "	L	Lot 7	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 8

Schedule / Memorandum

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Memorandum of Easements

PURPOSE	SHOWN	BURDENED LAND	BENEFITED LAND
" "	M	Lot 8	Lot 4, Lot 5, Lot 7
" "	N	Lot 5	Lot 4, Lot 7, Lot 8
" "	O	Lot 4	Lot 5, Lot 7, Lot 8
" "	P	Lot 8	Lot 5
" "	Q	Lot 5	Lot 8

Memorandum of Easements in Gross

PURPOSE	SHOWN	BURDENED LAND	GRANTEE
Right to convey electricity	B, G	Lot 6	Powerco Limited
" "	C, H, L	Lot 7	Powerco Limited
" "	D, I, M, P	Lot 8	Powerco Limited
" "	E, J, N, Q	Lot 5	Powerco Limited
" "	F, K, O	Lot 4	Powerco Limited
Right to convey water	B, G	Lot 6	South Wairarapa District Council
" "	C, H, L	Lot 7	South Wairarapa District Council
" "	D, I, M, P	Lot 8	South Wairarapa District Council
" "	E, J, N, Q	Lot 5	South Wairarapa District Council
" "	F, K, O	Lot 4	South Wairarapa District Council
Right to convey telecommunications	B, G	Lot 6	Chorus New Zealand Limited
" "	C, H, L	Lot 7	Chorus New Zealand Limited
" "	D, I, M, P	Lot 8	Chorus New Zealand Limited
" "	E, J, N, Q	Lot 5	Chorus New Zealand Limited

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Memorandum of Easements in Gross

PURPOSE	SHOWN	BURDENED LAND	GRANTEE
" "	F, K, O	Lot 4	Chorus New Zealand Limited

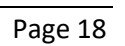
Schedule of Existing Easements to be Surrendered

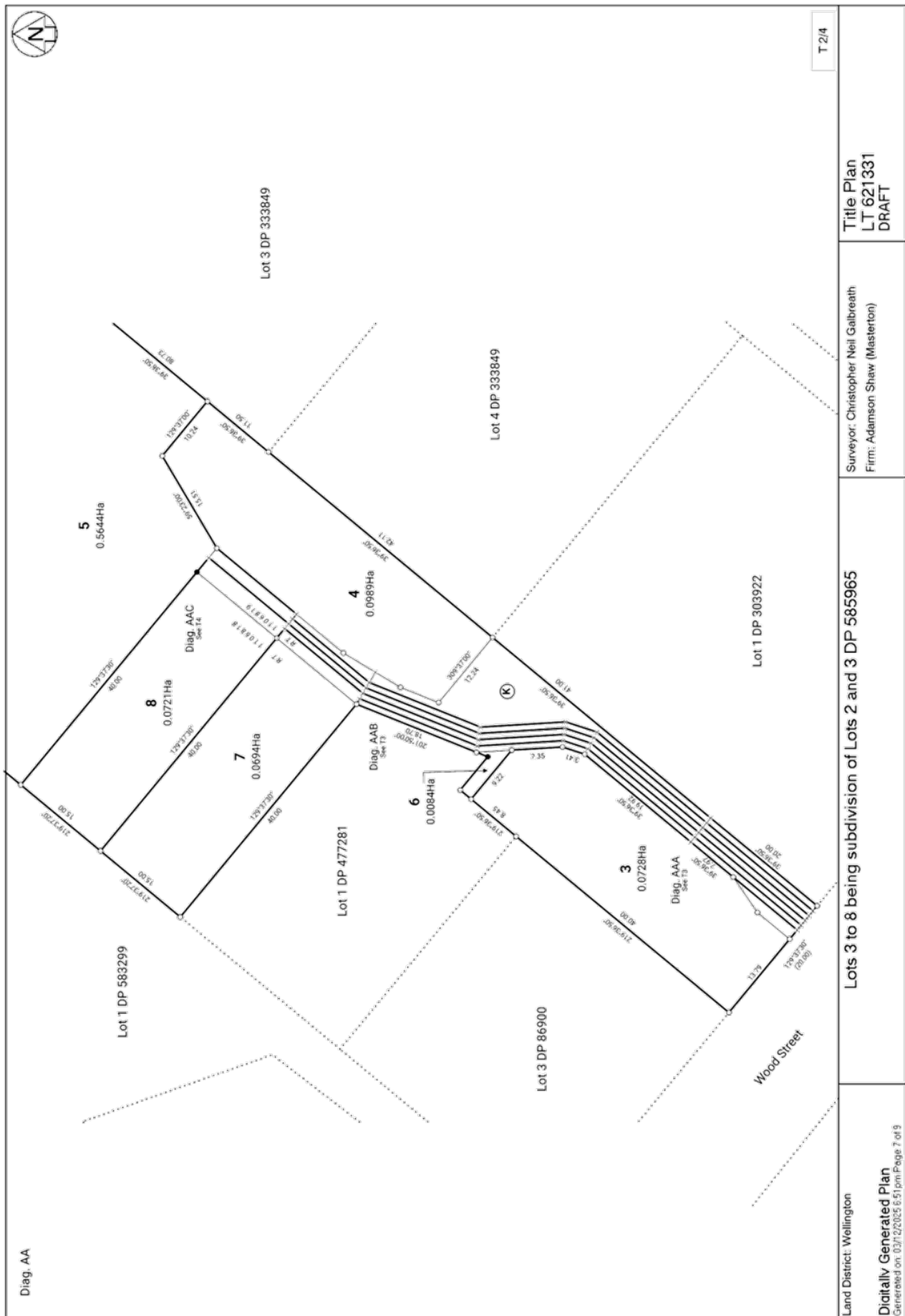
PURPOSE	SHOWN	BURDENED LAND	CREATING DOCUMENT
Right of way	Area A DP 585965, Area B DP 585965	Lot 3 DP 585965	9770764.3
Right to drain sewage Right to convey electricity, water Right to convey telecommunications and computer media	Area B DP 585965, Area C DP 585965	Lot 3 DP 585965	9770764.3
Right of way	Area A DP 585965, Area B DP 585965, Area D DP 585965	Lot 3 DP 585965	12867272.2
Right to drain sewage Right to convey electricity, telecommunications, water	Area B DP 585965, Area C DP 585965, Area D DP 585965	Lot 3 DP 585965	12867272.2

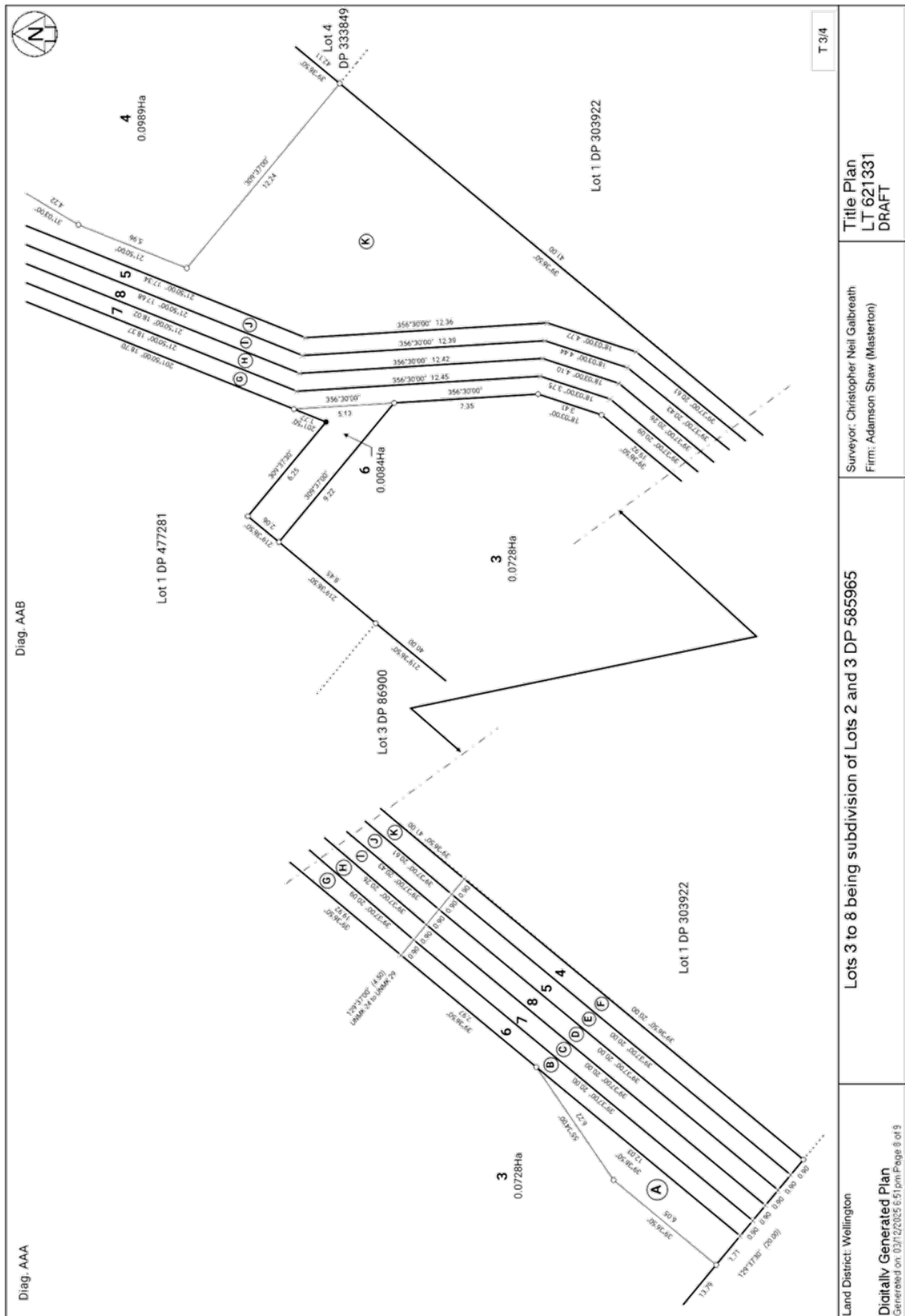
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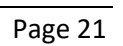
Amalgamation Condition:

1) That Lot 6 (hereon) and Lot 1 DP 477281 (RT 661104) be held in the same Record of Title. (See 1878095)









SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL**24 OCTOBER 2018****AGENDA ITEM C5****NAMING OF PUBLIC ROADS, PRIVATE ROADS
AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY****Purpose of Report**

To report on proposed changes to the Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way. In particular, for a simpler and effective process for requests correcting the spelling of existing road names.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the report.*
2. *Amend the Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way as set out in section "2. Recommendations" of this report.*

1. Background and Discussion

The South Wairarapa District Council is responsible for the naming of roads and under its current policy, right of ways serving more than four sites.

A consistent and considered approach is needed when naming roads in the District.

Roads are named to ensure ease of identification for the Council, the public, and especially for key service providers such as emergency response organisations (police / fire / ambulance), and postal and utility services.

The Council is empowered to name roads under Sections 319 and 319A of the Local Government Act of 1974 (LGA 1974).

The "Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way" (the Policy) includes provision for changing road names (4.4 of the Policy).

Correcting the spelling of a road name is set out as a reason for changing road names.

Section 4.4.3 of the Policy sets out the procedure for changing a road name. This includes a requirement for a significant majority of residents and owners along the road to support the proposed name change.

Officers recommend that the Policy is amended to allow a more simple procedure for correcting spelling errors. In future, spelling errors could be amended via an officer report and approval by Council without prior consultation. Officers would then correct the spelling where appropriate, and subsequently notify residents and owners.

A recent request has been made for the correction of the spelling of Hinakura Road to Hinekura Road and Pah Road to Pa Road. Liaising with the multitude of residents and owners along roads such as Hinakura Road or Pah Road to ascertain support of a spelling correction is considered to be an unnecessary level of consultation and would consume a significant amount of officer time, and is seen as not relevant to the effective correcting and updating of road names.

2. Recommendations

That the Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way be amended as below (additions underlined);

4.4 CHANGING EXISTING ROAD NAMES

4.4.1 Where there is uncertainty about a road name, generally the most recently gazetted name will be the officially recognized name for the road.

4.4.2 A name change will only be made if the Council considers that the change will result in a clear benefit to the community. Reasons for changing road names may include:

- To correct the spelling*
- To eliminate duplication in spelling or sound*
- To clarify a situation where more than one name is used for a road*
- To make geographical corrections*
- To assign different names to separate ends of a road with a permanently impassable section somewhere along the length*

4.4.3 Where a road name is requested to be changed, a significant majority of residents and owners along the road must support the proposed change. The applicant shall also provide any history relating to the existing street name. The road name change report shall be presented to the relevant Community Board for comment prior to the Council meeting. However, the final decision to allow a road name to be changed and the new name of the road is always at the discretion of the Council.

4.4.4 Where a road name is requested to be changed to correct a demonstrated spelling error, the change shall be presented to Council for approval without the requirement for prior consultation with the relevant Community Board and residents and landowners.

3. Appendices

Appendix 1 - Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way (as recommended to be amended)

Prepared by/Contact Officer: Russell Hooper, Planning Manager

Reviewed by: Russell O'Leary, Group Manager Planning and Environment

Appendix 1 - Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of- Way (as recommended to be amended)



Policy on Naming of Public Roads, Private Roads and Rights-of-Way

1.0 RATIONALE:

The South Wairarapa District Council is responsible for naming roads within its boundaries. A consistent and comprehensive approach is needed for naming of roads in the District. Roads are named to ensure ease of identification for the Council, the public and key services such as emergency, postal and utility services. The Council is empowered to name roads under Section 319A of the Local Government Act of 1974. The procedures under which the Council wishes to achieve the abovementioned objectives are defined below.

2.0 PURPOSE:

To set out guidelines and standards relating to the naming of public roads, private roads and rights-of-ways in the South Wairarapa District. The Council's policy will apply to new or unnamed roads, both public and private, including roads with existing names that may be locally, but not officially, recognized and will also apply to proposals to change the name of an officially named road. The policy also includes areas that would benefit from an official address for identification purposes such as private rights-of-way serving more than four lots. This policy is critical for correct addressing, which is used by emergency services, making our community safer.

3.0 DEFINITIONS (for purposes of this Policy only):

Road – A generic term that for the purposes of this policy only encompasses public roads, private roads and rights-of-ways that serve more than four lots.

Private Road – any roadway, place or arcade laid out on private land by the owner thereof intended for the use of the public generally. Private roads are not maintained by the Council but shall be formally named for the reasons set out in Sections 1.0 and 2.0 of this Policy.

Public Road – Any road open to public travel that is under the jurisdiction of and maintained by the Council.

Rights-of-Way (Private Way) - An easement, a privilege to pass over the land of another, whereby the holder of the easement acquires a reasonable and usual enjoyment of the property,

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(normally the right to pass and re-pass) and the owner of the land retains the benefits and privileges of ownership consistent with the right of way easement. Rights-of-ways are not maintained by the Council but those rights-of-ways that serve more than four lots may be formally named for the reasons set out in Sections 1.0 and 2.0 of this Policy.

Suggested Suffixes – Terms such as “road”, “street”, “lane” etc. are to be used in circumstances appropriate to the physical situation, with the following suffix definitions acting as a guide:

Avenue	A wide straight road planted with trees on either side
Boulevard	A wide, main road, often planted with rows of trees
Circle	A street surrounding a circular or oval shaped space
Common	A street with a reserve or public open space along one side
Court	A short enclosed road, i.e. a cul-de-sac
Crescent	A crescent shaped street, generally with both ends intersecting the same street
Crest	A road running along the top or summit of a hill
Cul-de-sac	A short enclosed road
Drive	An especially scenic road or a main connecting route in a subdivision
Glade	A tree covered street or passage between streets
Green	As for Common, but not necessarily bounded by a reserve
Grove	A road that often features a group of trees standing together
Heights	A road traversing high ground
Lane	A narrow road
Lookout	A road leading to or having a view of fine natural scenery
Parade	A public promenade or road
Place	A short, sometimes narrow road
Ridge	A road along the top of a hill
Rise	A road going to a higher place of position
Road	A route between places, general usage
Row	A road with a line of professional buildings on either side
Street	A road that usually has houses on both sides
Track	A narrow country street that may end in pedestrian access
View	A road commanding a wide panoramic view across the surrounding areas
Way	A narrow road, often synonymous with lane

4.0 GUIDELINES:

4.1 GENERAL

- 4.1.1 The naming of roads provides a unique address to enable a property to be identified for power, telephone, mail and emergency services.
- 4.1.2 The Council is responsible for naming roads.
- 4.1.3 The Council will actively promote the formal naming of

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existing unnamed (or informally named) public or private roads and any rights-of-ways that serve more than four lots.

4.1.4 All approved road and rights-of-way names, both public and private, will be recorded in the Council's GIS system and flagged as a public road, private road or rights-of-way.

4.1.5 This Policy will be reviewed and amended from time to time.

4.2 PROCEDURE FOR NAMING ROADS

4.2.1 Applications for naming all roads that are created or extended as part of a subdivision are required to be submitted as part of the resource consent process.

4.2.2 To assist Council in assigning a name, an application for subdivision consent where a road is proposed to be named shall include three possible road names to Council for consideration and approval. For rights of way serving more than four lots where it is proposed to name the right of way, the users of the right of way shall jointly submit an agreed proposed name which shall be adopted by Council subject only to the guidelines for the selection of new road names being satisfied.

The names should be listed in order of preference with a brief statement of their significance. The applicant must also submit a concept/survey plan identifying the road, and pay the appropriate fee.

4.2.3 Once Council receives the application, it will check the suitability of the preferred and alternative names against its Policy.

4.2.4 The road naming application will be submitted to the relevant Community Board for a recommendation prior to consideration and decision by Council. The final decision to approve the name shall remain at the discretion of Council.

4.2.5 The Council will approve, amend or decline the name by way of a formal resolution adopted by Council.

4.2.6 Council will advise the applicant in writing of the decision.

4.2.7 Council will ensure that the road naming process is completed and the signs are installed at no cost to Council before the Section 224C certificate is prepared for issue. Performance bonds will not be accepted.

4.2.8 Applications for naming of existing roads are required to be submitted to the Council's Chief Executive Officer. The Council will consider and make a decision on the road name application and will follow steps 4.2.3 to 4.2.5.

4.2.9 The Council also requires to be consulted for naming of existing private roads and rights-of-way to ensure that a current or proposed name complies with Council policy and the various agencies to be informed are appropriately advised.

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- 4.2.10 Applications for private road and rights-of-way names are to be submitted to the Council on a standard form that is available from the Council office after consideration by officers. Such applications will be submitted to the Council for the adoption of a name, or names.
- 4.2.11 Immediately after Council approves the name of any road, the Council will advise Land Information NZ, Quotable Value, Council's rating and GIS departments and all emergency services in the area of the name of the road.

4.3 GUIDELINES FOR THE SELECTION OF NEW ROAD NAMES

- 4.3.1 There must not be another road with the same name in the South Wairarapa District emergency services area; this includes same road names with a different suffix. However, existing roads with the same names as of the date of adoption of this Policy are allowed.
- 4.3.2 Identical names with different spellings will not be accepted (e.g. Beach, Beech).
- 4.3.3 The name should have significant local content or meaning.
- 4.3.4 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 a map.
- 4.3.5 The end name for the roadway should be the one that most accurately reflects the type of roadway that it is.
- 4.3.6 All private roads and rights-of-ways serving more than four lots are to have the suffix "Lane" or "Way".
- 4.3.7 Where the road is a 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.
- 4.3.8 Names are entirely at the discretion of Council, whether for policy reasons or for other considerations.

4.4 CHANGING EXISTING ROAD NAMES

- 4.4.1 Where there is uncertainty about a road name, generally the most recently gazetted name will be the officially recognized name for the road.
- 4.4.2 A name change will only be made if the Council considers that the change will result in a clear benefit to the community. Reasons for changing road names may include:
- To correct the spelling
 - To eliminate duplication in spelling or sound
 - To clarify a situation where more than one name is used for a road
 - To make geographical corrections
 - To assign different names to separate ends of a road with a permanently impassable section somewhere along the length

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4.4.3 Where a road name is requested to be changed, a significant majority of residents and owners along the road must support the proposed change. The applicant shall also provide any history relating to the existing street name. The road name change report shall be presented to the relevant Community Board for comment prior to the Council meeting. However, the final decision to allow a road name to be changed and the new name of the road is always at the discretion of the Council.

4.4.4 Where a road name is requested to be changed to correct a demonstrated spelling error, the change shall be presented to Council for approval without the requirement for prior consultation with the relevant Community Board and residents and landowners.

4.5 SIGNAGE

4.5.1 If Council approves the name of a road as part of a subdivision, a standard Council road sign shall be created and erected at the applicant's expense. This requirement will usually be a Section 224 condition of resource consent.

4.5.2 Street signs on private roads and rights-of-ways must have the word "Private" under the street name and the applicant is required to pay for the sign, its installation and maintenance.

4.5.3 Repair, maintenance or replacement of any road sign for a private road or rights-of-way will not be at Council's expense.

4.5.4 Council will provide and erect nameplates and posts for existing public roads that are newly named (not part of a recent subdivision).

4.5.5 Council will maintain all road signs on public roads.

4.5.6 Where appropriate, and at the discretion of Council, when signage for a road that has a significant historic name is to be replaced, a sign plate may be erected that identifies the historic significance of the name.

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