

Chairperson and Community Board Members
PARAPARAUMU RAUMATI COMMUNITY BOARD

16 FEBRUARY 2016

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

PROPOSED NAMING OF PATH IN RECOGNITION OF DIANE AMMUNDSEN

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report seeks Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board's approval of the naming of the path along Wharemauku Stream the 'Diane Ammundsen Path' in recognition of Cr Ammundsen's service to the district.

DELEGATION

- 2 The Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board has the authority to make this decision under Part D, Sections 10.21 and 10.22 of the 2013-2016 Triennium Governance Structure:

Naming Reserves, Structures and Commemorative Places

10.21 *With reference to the Reserves, Structures and Commemorative Places Naming Policy 2011, authority to receive requests from the community, or put forward names, regarding specific names of reserves, structures and commemorative places for input to the staff report.*

10.22 *Authority to approve or reject officer recommendations in respect of such names.*

BACKGROUND

- 3 It has been proposed the path next to the Wharemauku Stream be named after Cr Diane Ammundsen to recognise the contribution she has made to the Kāpiti District through her service to Council and involvement in a variety of community groups.
- 4 Cr Ammundsen moved to the Kāpiti Coast in 1966 and started working at Council as a receptionist in the 1970's. She became a Councillor in 1989 when the Kāpiti Borough Council became Kāpiti Coast District Council. Cr Ammundsen has decided not to stand as a candidate at the next local body election in October 2016 and will have served the district for 27 consecutive years at the end of this triennium, 21 as a Paraparaumu Ward Councillor and six as a District-wide representative.

- 5 Cr Ammundsen has also been active in a number of different community areas She has been involved with: environmental restoration groups including Wharemauku and Tikotu Stream Care and Restoration Groups; Girl Guides; Kapiti Netball; Kapiti Uniting Parish; Keep Kapiti Coast Beautiful; and, as a marriage and funeral Celebrant. She has also been instrumental in fundraising efforts for many causes, most recently the Coastlands Aquatic Centre. In recognition of Cr Ammundsen's services to the community she was recently awarded the Queen's Service Medal in the 2016 New Year's honours list.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 6 The name of the stream will remain Wharemauku, only the path would be named in recognition of Cr Ammundsen.
- 7 Council's *Reserves, Structures and Commemorative Places Naming Policy 2011* has provision within it for naming in recognition:
- An un-named reserve, new structure, newly acquired structure or a commemorative place can be named in recognition of an individual, family, hapū or iwi with strong historical links to the area or outstanding contributions to the District or New Zealand, and in those cases shall only have one name with the name appropriately displayed with a plaque noting the date and rationale for the dedication.*
- 8 This also aligns with Council's *Road Naming and Street Numbering Policy: 2011* in that the theme for the Civic area in Paraparaumu is previous District Mayors. It is complementary to this theme that a path within the civic area be named after a long-serving District Councillor.
- 9 Given Cr Ammundsen's long service to the District and consistent interest and contribution to public open spaces, it is appropriate that a public path in a civic open space alongside a stream be named in her recognition.
- 10 Not all the path is on Council administered land. A portion of the path crosses private land at the Kapiti Coast Airport as well as NZTA land where the expressway crosses the stream. Kapiti Coast Airport management was contacted to obtain their view on the naming of the path, and if they had any issue with a portion of the path on their land being named in recognition of Cr Ammundsen by Council. The response from the Airport CEO was that the airport is "most supportive of naming the path after Cr Ammundsen".

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 11 The recommendation is consistent with Council policy in regard to this issue.

Legal considerations

- 12 There are no known legal considerations.

Financial considerations

- 13 There will be costs associated with signage estimated at \$4,500. Signage will include interpretive, historic and wayfinding information as well as the name of the path. Costs will be met from existing budgets.

Tāngata whenua considerations

- 14 There are no known issues for consideration relating to iwi or the Treaty of Waitangi.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

- 15 This matter has a low level of significance under Council policy.

Consultation already undertaken

- 16 The community and other agencies apart from Paraparaumu Airport have not been consulted in this matter.

Engagement planning

- 17 An engagement plan is not needed to implement this decision.

Publicity

- 18 A communications media release will be developed in respect of this issue to inform the community.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 19 That the Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board approves naming the path along Wharemauku Stream described in Attachment 1 of report CS-16-1764 the Diane Ammundsen Path.

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ATTACHMENT

- Appendix 1 Location of path proposed for naming.

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