

Chairperson and Community Board Members
WAIKANAE COMMUNITY BOARD

3 MAY 2016

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

ROAD NAMING - BISHOP SNEDDEN VILLAGE EXTENSION

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report asks the Board to approve a name for a new road to be constructed within an extension to the existing Bishop Snedden Retirement Village, in Waikanae.

DELEGATION

- 2 With reference to the Road Naming and Street Numbering Policy 2011, under Section 10.23 of the current Governance Structure and Delegations, the Council has delegated the authority to Community Boards to:

*accept or reject staff recommendations on; road names; or the alteration of the name of any road; or part of any road within the Board's community area.
If all names are rejected the Board may request a further report.*

BACKGROUND

- 3 Under Council's policy, developers are required to submit three name suggestions, in preferential order, for each road to be named, whether it is public or private.
- 4 Supplementary information in support of the names is to be provided by the developer, in writing, and this may be consistent with marketing themes, historical connections, or names of previous owners.
- 5 The Community Board has a responsibility to ensure that road names are unique to the district. This is for public safety and avoidance of confusion for emergency and utility services, as call centres are often located away from the district.
- 6 The Community Board may accept one of the proposed names within the report, or reject all suggested names and request that staff provide alternative names in a subsequent report.
- 7 The developer, the Wellington Catholic Homes Trust, is a charitable trust, established in 1976. Hereafter it may be referred to as 'The Trust'.
- 8 An objective of the Trust is to provide and assist in providing housing, accommodation and care, in a Christian manner, for aged persons regardless of race or creed.
- 9 The Trust aims to promote, stimulate and encourage public interest in assisting with providing and supporting aged care and welfare for all aged persons.
- 10 In 1985, the Wellington Catholic Trust built the Bishop Snedden Retirement Village, in Waikanae. See Appendix 1.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 11 The new road is part of an extension, and is adjacent to the existing retirement village. The main part of the road will be vested in Council as a public road. The extension development includes 30 new residences on 11 parcels, covering approximately 1.3 hectares. The new road consists of a main section off Sylvan Avenue, approximately 118 m long; a side section off that, approximately 47 m long; and a narrower loop road off the main part, approximately 193 m long. See Appendix 1. All residences on the loop road section have the same base address off the new road, with individual flat numbers. The preferred descriptor for the new road is “Way”.
- 12 Though the road to be named has several sections, it is all part of one development, promoting the same theme and aims of the Trust. Signage will indicate the street numbers of properties on the short side section of road.
- 13 The suggestions put forward by the Wellington Catholic Homes Trust, in preferential order, are as follows:
 - a. **St Vincent** – The St Vincent de Paul Society is the founding trustee/sponsor of the Wellington Catholic Homes Trust.
 - b. **Vincent** – Simplified version of the name suggested above.
 - c. **Cardinal** – The respective Cardinals are the Patrons of the Wellington Catholic Homes Trust.
- 14 The Trust believes the suggested names promote and enhance the theme and operation of its work. There is a Vincent Drive in Levin, but any other streets using these names are considerably further from Kāpiti. The historian commented that the first suggestion seemed appropriate, and the “St” in the name helped distinguish it from Vincent Street in Levin. The preferred option is “**St Vincent Way**”.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 15 The Council Road Naming and Street Numbering Policy: 2011 states that the developer (or applicant) must consult with the relevant iwi and historical society representatives, and include their comments in the application.
- 16 Because the relevant historical society, Kapiti Historical Society, is currently in remission, the engagement was with Mr Anthony Dreaver, a well-known and respected local historian.
- 17 Aside from the departure mentioned in paragraph 15 above, the procedure for the existing Council Road Naming and Street Numbering Policy: 2011 has been followed.
- 18 The representative of Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust enquired whether the developer had thought of names associated with Waikanae. He said the iwi had no issue with the suggested names and would support them.

Legal considerations

- 19 The Council and its Community Boards can name roads pursuant to Sections 319 and 319A of the Local Government Act 1974.

Financial considerations

- 20 The cost of signage is borne by the developer as per usual conditions of the Resource Consent.

Tāngata whenua considerations

- 21 There are no iwi or Treaty of Waitangi issues arising from this report.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

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

Consultation already undertaken

- 23 The developer has engaged with a respected local historian, and with representatives of Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai, receiving their comments in writing.

Engagement planning

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

Publicity

- 25 There are no publicity issues resulting from this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 26 That the Waikanae Community Board approves the name “**St Vincent Way**” for the new road shown in Appendix 1 of Report Corp-16-1835.

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Appendix 1 Location

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