

Chairperson and Community Board Members
PARAPARAUMU/RAUMATI COMMUNITY BOARD

10 MAY 2016

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

ROAD NAMING - OUR LADY OF KAPITI, 20 MILNE DRIVE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1 This report requests the approval of a name for a new road to be constructed, as part of a development which includes a church and a school, at 20 Milne Drive, Paraparaumu.

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 is 'Our Lady of Kapiti', which is part of the Union of Presentation Sisters.
- 8 The first Presentation Sisters came to New Zealand from Ireland in 1951, establishing a school in Taita. In 1953, at the request of Archbishop McKeefry, seven sisters came from Thules, Ireland, to set up a school, St Patrick's, in Paraparaumu. The original school was run from the Blue Moon Ballroom, Paraparaumu Beach, until the current school was completed and ready for use in December 1954.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 9 The new road is part of a larger development which includes 5 lots, a new school and a church.
- 10 The proposed school will be the new base for the existing St Patrick's Primary School, currently operating from Tongariro Street, Paraparaumu. It will comprise single-storey buildings, and several outdoor areas, including playing courts and a grassed playing field. The new school grounds will be used for all school-related activities and events; and also for non-school activities with a community, social, sporting, ceremonial, cultural, spiritual, or educational purpose outside school hours.
- 11 The proposed church will be the base for two existing parishes in Kāpiti – St Patrick's, currently based in Hinemoa St in Paraparaumu, and Our Lady of Fatima, in Parata St, Waikanae. The church will comprise a main worship area seating up to 550 people, a smaller worship area seating 50 people, and associated offices and facilities.
- 12 The suggestions put forward, in preferential order, by the developer are as follows:
 1. **Presentation Way** – St Patrick's School was opened in 1954 by the Presentation Sisters from Ireland. The order has been involved with the school for 62 years.
 2. **Te Whaea Place** – “Te Whaea Tapu o Kāpiti” is the Māori interpretation of “Our Lady of Kāpiti”.
 3. **Cardinal Dew Way** – Cardinal John Dew is the current head of the Wellington Archdiocese.
- 13 “Way” and “Place” are both suitable descriptors for this road type.
- 14 The historical advisor commented that, of the names put forward, he preferred Presentation, as it links the road with its destination and its history. Also, that Cardinal Dew, as a name, will become less meaningful over time.
- 15 The iwi representative stated that he is happy with the developer's choices of preferred names. He said that Presentation College was the name of a Catholic girls' college which was previously in Ruapehu Street and was attended by students from Porirua and Kāpiti in the 1960s and 1970s.
- 16 The name preferred by Council's contractor is Presentation Way, as this has the strongest link to the history of the school, and was supported by both iwi and the historian.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 17 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.

- 18 Because the relevant historical society, Kapiti Historical Society, is currently not meeting, the engagement was with Mr Anthony Dreaver, a well-known and respected local historian.
- 19 Aside from the departure mentioned in paragraph 18 above, the procedure for the existing Council Road Naming and Street Numbering Policy: 2011 has been followed.

Legal considerations

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

Financial considerations

- 21 The cost of signage is borne by the developer as part of the Resource Consent conditions for the subdivision.

Tāngata whenua considerations

- 22 Iwi representatives were consulted as part of this process.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

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

Consultation already undertaken

- 24 The developer has engaged with the local historian and the iwi representative, with their views being included in this report.

Engagement planning

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

Publicity

- 26 There are no publicity issues resulting from this report but if appropriate, Council may choose to communicate the information to the Kāpiti community through one of its communications channels.

RECOMMENDATIONS

27 That the Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board approves the name “**Presentation Way**” for the road highlighted on Appendix 1 of Report Corp-16-1842.

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Appendix 1 Location

