

Chairperson and Community Board Members
PARAPARAUMU/RAUMATI COMMUNITY BOARD

9 DECEMBER 2014

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

NEW ROAD NAMING - WATERSTONE SUBDIVISION STAGE 4

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report requests the Board's consideration of, and decision on, the name for a new road being constructed as part of Stage 4 of the Waterstone Subdivision.

SIGNIFICANCE OF DECISION

- 2 This report does not trigger the Council's significance policy.

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, for reasons of 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 can accept a proposed name within the report, or reject all suggested names and request that staff provide alternative names in a subsequent report.

CONSIDERATIONS

Issues

- 7 This new road is part of the Waterstone staged subdivision, which is accessed from Mazengarb Road by Waterstone Avenue.
- 8 The new road will be vested in Council as a public road. The right of way will remain private.
- 9 The subdivision road names follow the theme of water, with the existing names all water-related.
- 10 The new road is a cul-de-sac approximately 25 metres long, with a narrow right of way extending approximately 30 metres off the closed end. See Attachment 1.

- 11 The new road and right-of-way will service an 11 lot subdivision. Original plans show that 5 (or 4) will access directly off the new road, 5 off the new right-of-way, and 1 (or 2) off the existing Waterstone Avenue. There will most likely be 10 addresses using this new road name.
- 12 The standards for rural and urban addressing makes the following points –
- A road name should be easily pronounced and spelt and be easily understood when written or in conversation.*
- The length of a road name should be shorter, rather than longer, especially where the road itself is short.*
- 13 The descriptors shown with the proposed names are the preferred ones, selected from the appropriate list in Appendix B Road Types – New Zealand, in the AS/NZS 4819: 2011 Rural and urban addressing standards.
- 14 The developer's suggested names in order of preference, are:
- Aqua Way** – is in keeping with the water theme, sounds nice, nothing else like it.
- Azzurra Way/Place** – means Azure Sky Blue in Italian, there is a feeling of open sky when one stands in the subdivision, the view is dominated by the sky.
- Stillwater Place/Way** – is in keeping with the water theme, great name for a street. Very representative of the lake views from the street.
- 15 All the suggested names are unique as road names in the district and in the North Island. Aqua and Azzurra are unique in New Zealand.
- 16 Although all the suggested names fit the water theme, the recommendation is Aqua, as it is short, and easily pronounced and spelt. Way or Place would be suitable descriptors.
- 17 Stillwater has quite a high profile elsewhere in the country, and could possibly be confused with Bluewater or Waterstone.
- 18 Azzurra does not relate so closely to the theme, and as it is a foreign word it is felt it may make it difficult to say, or spell when heard.

Financial Considerations

- 19 The cost of signage is borne by the developer as a condition of the Resource Consent for the subdivision.

Legal Considerations

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

Delegation

- 21 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;

Consultation

- 22 Consultation with the developer, and representatives from the Kāpiti Historical Society and the local iwi has occurred. All agreed that the proposed names are acceptable.

Policy Implications

- 23 There are no policy implications arising from this report.

Tāngata Whenua Considerations

- 24 There are no iwi or Treaty of Waitangi issues resulting from this report.

Publicity Considerations

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 26 That the Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board approves the following:

“That the new road, including the right of way extension to it, shown on Attachment 1 of report Corp-14-1386, be named **Aqua Way**”.

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Location

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