13. ROAD NAMING - PORT HILLS ROAD AND JUBILEE STREET

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board's approval to names for two new formed and sealed rights of way and to report back with additional information relating to these as requested at the 24 May 2006 meeting of the Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The approval of proposed road and right of way names is delegated to Community Boards.
- 3. The Subdivision Officer has checked all proposed names against the Council's road name database to ensure they will not be confused with names currently in use. The names have also been discussed with staff at Land Information NZ who act on behalf of the emergency services in respect to road naming.
- 4. At the meeting of the Board on 24 May 2006 the Board resolved that:
 - 2. A decision on the proposed name "Romar Lane" for 110 Port Hills Road Texco Developments Ltd be deferred and that staff report to the Board with further information as to the significance of the proposed name.
 - 3. A decision as to the proposed name "Shadbolt Boulevard" for Broad and Jubilee Streets Independent Fisheries Ltd be deferred and that staff report to the Board with further information as to whether there is any significance in the prior name, "Staunton Street".

The additional information requested by the Board, as supplied by the Subdivisions Officer, is detailed below and this matter is accordingly now referred back to the Board for a decision.

"Staunton Street was legally stopped as a road in 1998, and is now part of the Independent Fisheries land holding. With the stopping of the road, the name Staunton Street was no longer in use. While the roads are legally stopped, they are physically still in place and are used for access within Independent Fisheries property.

The management of the company wish to honour the founder of their company, *Mr* Howard Leslie Shadbolt, who managed the company for 40 years from 1959-1999.

Staunton Street, while it was still a legal road (pre 1998) was named after Cora Bessie Staunton, the Matron of the North Canterbury Hospital Board's Jubilee Home for 10 years from 1938-1948.

Romar Lane. The Board also wanted some background to this name.

This is a small private right of way serving 10 properties. I am advised that the name Romar is a combination of the developer's wife's parents names, Ron and Margaret.

Both Shadbolt and Romar are private, and their maintenance and upkeep will be paid for by the registered users and not by the ratepayers of Christchurch. We do have numerous names in Christchurch created over the years using a combination of names to create a street name, usually restricted to private rights of way and private roads. Colman Street for example was named after a pilot killed in the second world war. His name was **Col**in Bow**man**. His father, who developed the subdivision, called the road Colman to commemorate his son in 1955. Deejay Lane in Hoon Hay was named after a D J Soper. Betwin Avenue was named after the developer's wife and mother, Betty and Winifred in 1957. There are many more similar examples throughout Christchurch."

5. New Street Names

(a) 110 Port Hills Road - Texco Developments Ltd

This subdivision creates 10 new residential allotments to be served by a fully formed and sealed right of way. The proposed name for the right of way is **Romar Lane**.

(b) Broad and Jubilee Streets - Independent Fisheries Ltd

This is a private road, formerly known as Staunton Street. It has been stopped and purchased by Independent Fisheries Ltd who have also acquired the former Jubilee Hospital Site. The applicant company wish to name the carriageway **Shadbolt Boulevard**, after Mr H L Shadbolt, the founder of the company in 1959. Under his guidance, the company expanded to the extent that it was employing 400 people in the 1980s.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. The administration fee for road naming is included as part of the subdivision consent application fee, and the cost of name plates is charged to the developer. There is no financial cost to the Council. Local Authorities have a statutory responsibility to approve road names.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board consider the proposed names above and approve them if deemed suitable.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.