9. PROPOSED ROAD AND RIGHT-OF-WAY NAMING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board's approval to one new road name, and one new right-of-way name (refer attached).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The approval of proposed new road and right-of-way names is delegated to Community Boards.
- 3. The Subdivision Officer has checked the proposed names against the Council's road name database to ensure it will not be confused with names currently in use.

4. RMA 92004916 Ngai Tahu Property, Annex Road (Hillmorton Hospital)

This is a large subdivision creating one hundred and eighty-eight new residential allotments.

Access within the subdivision will be provided by thirteen new roads and rights-of-way.

The proposed road names have been chosen by the applicant company to reflect the abundance of mature trees on the property:

"Linden Grove is a new 188 lot residential subdivision on part of the former gardens of the Hillmorton Hospital, Annex Road. It has been acknowledged by consultants and Council staff that some of the trees on the site, of which there are several hundred native and European, are amongst the best specimens to be found in Christchurch outside of Hagley Park. This "botanical" or "arboretum" nature of the site has been the basis of the subdivision design, whereby generous areas have been given over to reserves to accommodate these trees. The name of the subdivision itself "Linden Grove", reflects several small groves of lime trees (also known as Lindens) scattered over the site, and our clients would therefore like to see this theme carried through into the road names".

A list of names has been provided for approval by the Board, from which the applicant company will select names and descriptive suffixes for the roads as the subdivision progresses.

The applicants wished to name the main access road through the subdivision as Linden Avenue, however they have been advised that the pronunciation is almost identical to Lyndon which is an existing name in Christchurch, and that Linden Avenue cannot be recommended for approval. (They have been advised though that council has no jurisdiction over the names given to the subdivision by the developers, so that they could if they wished market the allotments as "Linden Grove Subdivision")

The following names have been proposed:

Yew Tree; Monkey Puzzle; The Oval; The Wickets; Spruce; Copper Beech; Red Cedar; Botanic; Albion; Fairbanks; The Green; The Woods; The Willows; Birch Knoll; Copperwood and Seager.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. There is no financial cost to the Council. The administration fee for road naming is included as part of the subdivision consent application fee, and the cost of name plate manufacture is charged direct to the developer.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

6. N/A.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. Council has a statutory obligation to approve road names.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

8. Yes. There are no legal implications.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. N/A.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

10. N/A.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

11. N/A.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

12. N/A.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. Where proposed road names have a possibility of being confused with names in use already, consultation is held with Land Information New Zealand and NZ Post. Where a Maori name is proposed Ngai Tahu are consulted.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

(a) Consider and approve the proposed names as submitted.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.