

9. ADOPTION OF NAME FOR NEW COUNCIL HOUSING COMPLEX



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to obtain Council agreement on the naming of the new Council housing complex in Richmond.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. At the Council meeting on 26 February 2004, the Council adopted the recommendation to build a development on land owned by City Housing at Gowerton Place, Richmond, subject to a successful funding application to Housing New Zealand Corporation's Local Government Fund in the form of a suspensory loan.
3. At a meeting in June 2006, the Council resolved to accept the suspensory loan from Housing New Zealand Corporation for the construction of 20 Council housing units at Gowerton Place, Richmond.
4. In December 2006, construction of eight one-bedroom and 12 two-bedroom units began. The construction process, currently underway, is due to be completed in October 2007.
5. The complex now requires a name to identify it from the existing Gowerton Place complex. Community Support Unit staff were requested to submit names considered suitable for the new complex. The recommendation from this process is that the complex be named "Whakahoa Village". The English translation of Whakahoa is "partnership" or "friendship", which because of the partnership with Housing New Zealand Corporation in this particular development, is considered appropriate.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. Nil.

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

5. Not applicable.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. Nil.

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

7. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. Not applicable.

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

9. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. This aligns with the recently adopted Social Housing Strategy which has a strong emphasis on partnerships.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Consultation took place with the Shirley/Papanui Community Board which supported the recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council adopt the name "Whakahoa Village" as the name for the new Council housing development in Richmond.