

## 12. PROPOSED NEW ROAD NAMES

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The purpose of this report is to request the Board to reconsider the resolution of 19 November in respect to the proposed names for the two new roads in the Clearbrook Street subdivision.

Name approvals are delegated to Community Boards. It is important that approved names will not duplicate or be similar to existing names. All names submitted have been checked by Council and NZ Post for duplication.

### **CLEARBROOK STREET ROOKWOOD HOLDINGS LTD (SHIRLEY WARD)**

Two further names are proposed for this subdivision. The earlier reports were based on a motor racing theme, however the Board's concern with the names proposed, and the time delays in obtaining permission to use names of New Zealand drivers has resulted in two further names being submitted.

Two names are required as the small third road is virtually a narrower continuation of the larger cul de sac. The name for the larger cul de sac is proposed as Birch Grove Avenue, after the Birch Grove School that adjoins the subdivision. The second cul de sac is proposed as Isaac Gardens after Isaac Parish, a landowner here in 1906.

The Board's concern relating to names having to be distinctive to avoid confusion for emergency services is noted. Before names are submitted to the Board for approval, all names are checked using firstly a Canterbury wide listing, and secondly a programme that will extract every road name in the City containing the first three or four letters, or the last three or four, or any syllable contained within the name. In addition, where a proposed new name is thought to be close to an existing one, then the descriptive suffix is looked at closely, so that if the existing name is "...Place" for example, using the suffix ".....Gardens" may be sufficient to make them distinctive. The location of the new road to an existing road is also considered, Two names that may be slightly familiar may be acceptable in different parts of the City, but may not be acceptable if they are in the same postal zone and suburb.

In cases where there is doubt, the local fire brigade and Land Information NZ are contacted for their comments. The names submitted on the 19 November had all been checked for similarity before being included in the report.

#### **Staff**

**Recommendation :** That the Board approve the names Birch Grove Avenue, and Isaac Gardens for the two roads in this subdivision.

#### **Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the staff recommendation be adopted.