

Summers to Kerrs in Fish Creek

Council is calling for community comment on a proposal to rename 'Summers Road' in Fish Creek to 'Kerrs Road' from Buffalo Waratah Road to the intersection of Stamp Road and Kerrs Road.

Council officers received a request to look into to the possible road name change to help avoid confusion for the general public, transport vehicles and emergency services with respect to road names, property numbers and the fact there is another road named Summers Road 7km away to the north east of Fish Creek.

Director Sustainable Communities and Infrastructure, Anthony Seabrook, said there was only one property addressed to 'Summers Road'.

"Council consulted the property owner who strongly indicated 'in favour' of 'Summers Road' being changed to 'Kerrs Road'," he explained.

Brian Summers, son of Clare Summers, purchased the land off his father and constructed this section of road in the early 1950s. It is important to record information about why a road, feature, or locality name was chosen and Mr Seabrook said this relevant history and association to the area, and the significance of the Summers family to the area would be uploaded to the historical information section in the VICNAMES website, Council's Geographic Information System (GIS), and Council's website.

"This will ensure the history behind 'Summers Road' is recorded and available to future generations, and to provide transparency in the naming process," he added.

Council will receive submissions to the proposed road name change until Tuesday 27 September before a final report will be presented at the next available Council meeting.

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