# SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

# Council Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council 22 February 2017

> Ordinary Meeting No. 409 Council Chambers, Leongatha Commenced at 2pm





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# 5.7. NEW ROADS NAMES IN FOSTER (OFF ELPHICKS / DEVLIN)

Sustainable Communities and Infrastructure Services Directorate

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has identified two unnamed roads in the locality of Foster which need to be named in line with the 'Naming Rules for Naming Places in Victoria 2016'.

The Foster and District Historical Society (FDHS) and Foster Returned Soldiers League (RSL) were asked to provide names for the two unnamed roads in Foster. The names put forward to Council are as follows:

- Road 1 off Elphicks Road, Foster proposed name 'Stapleton Road'.
- Road 2 off Devlin Road, Foster proposed name 'Hendras Lane'.

This requires Council to commence a public consultation process to allow the community to comment on the proposed road names for both unnamed roads:

# RECOMMENDATION

# That Council:

- Commence a public consultation process by calling for community comment on the proposed new road names in the locality of Foster as follows (the Proposal):
  - **a.** Road 1 Support the naming of the road running off Elphicks Road, Foster as 'Stapleton Road'.
  - **b.** Road 2 Support the naming of the road running off Devlin Road, Foster as 'Hendras Lane'.
- 2. Give public notice in its Noticeboard section of the local newspapers, on Council's website, and write to abutting landowners in the week commencing 27 February 2017 on the proposal (item 1 above) to commence a public consultation process inviting written submissions from the community by close of business on Thursday 30 March 2017 (30 day submission period).
- 3. If submissions are received to the public notice:
  - **a.** Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to set the time, date, and place to hear, consider, and determine submissions.
  - **b.** Hear submitters who have requested to speak to their submission at a Public Presentation Session.

- **c.** Consider submissions with a decision determined at the next available Ordinary Council Meeting in open session.
- 4. If no submissions are received to the public notice, that Council endorses and submits the new road names (items 1a and 1b above) to the Registrar of Geographic Place Names for final consideration and approval as follows:
  - a. Road 1 road running off Elphicks Road, Foster as 'Stapleton Road'.
  - **b.** Road 2 road running off Devlin Road, Foster as 'Hendras Lane'.

NOTE: The recommendation was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY as part of a single motion, refer to page 81.

#### **REPORT**

Road 1 off Elphicks Road has been created as part of a road opening to access properties along this road reserve and has been added to Council's Public Road Register. Naming the road will allow these properties to have an official address.

Road 2 off Devlin Street is identified on Council's Public Road Register as access to the Foster Bowling Club.

Appropriate naming of roads is essential to identify locations for emergency services, deliver goods and services, and the general public.

In line with Council's Road Naming Procedure, the FDHS and the RSL were asked to provide names for the two unnamed roads in Foster. The names put forward to Council are as follows:

# **ROAD 1 - 'Stapleton Road'**

This unnamed road runs to the east off Elphicks Road, Foster for approximately 680 metres (shown hatched in **Figure 1** below).



Figure 1 - Locality Map - Road 1

The proposed road name is in recognition of Private Stapleton who passed away in Gallipoli in 1916 and had been the Minister of the Methodist Church in Foster.

Refer to **Attachment [5.7.1]** – Correspondence from FDHS – Road 1 – Stapleton Road.

# ROAD 2 - 'Hendras Lane'

This unnamed road runs to the south off Devlin Street, Foster for approximately 85 metres (shown hatched in **Figure 2** below).

Figure 2 - Locality Map - Road 2



The proposed road name is in recognition of the Hendra family who have been in Foster since the early 1900s, owning property from the highway through to the Lower Franklin Road.

Refer to **Attachment [5.7.2]** – Correspondence from FDHS – Road 2 – Hendras Lane.

# CONSULTATION

# Internal

Council's Engineering department has checked the VicNames website for road name compliance within a 15 kilometre and 30 kilometre radius for duplications or similar sounding names.

No duplications or similar sounding names where found for the proposed names.

### **External**

If Council resolves to support the recommendations, a public notice will be placed in its Noticeboard section of the local newspapers and on Council's website the week commencing 27 February 2017, inviting submissions on the proposed road names.

Letters will also be sent to adjoining property owners inviting submissions.

The submission period is 30 days from publication and will close at 5.00pm on Thursday 30 March 2017.

If submissions are received to the public notice, a further report will be prepared for Council's consideration after the public consultation period, and a Public Presentation Session (submission hearing) will be held for those who wish to speak in support of their submission.

If no submissions are received to the public notice, and pending Council's support to the proposal, the new road names (items 1a and 1b of the recommendation) will be forwarded to the Registrar of Geographic Place Names for final consideration and approval.

# RESOURCES

#### **Financial Considerations**

The only future cost to Council will be for the erection of new signage at approximately \$150 each, and this is accommodated in the Engineering and Assets department's budget.

#### **RISKS**

Council's risk is minimal as the methodology for the road naming has followed the Naming Rules for Naming Places in Victoria 2016. A copy is available in **Attachment** [5.7.3] – Naming Rules for Places in Victoria - Roads, Features, and Places.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachments are available on Council's website -visit www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au.

- 1. Correspondence from FDHS Road 1 Stapleton Road [5.7.1]
- 2. Correspondence from FDHS Road 2 Hendras Lane [5.7.2]
- 3. Naming Rules for Places in Victoria Roads, Features, and Places [5.7.3]

#### REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Local Government Act 1989 Road Management Act 2004 Geographic Place Names Act 1998
Guidelines for Geographic Names in Victoria 2010 Version 2
Naming Rules for Places in Victoria - Statutory Requirements for Naming Roads,
Features and Localities – 2016
AS/NZS4819: 2011 Rural and Urban Addressing
SGSC Road Naming Procedure 2013

MOVED: Cr Skinner SECONDED: Cr Edwards

THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN ITEMS 5.6, 5.7 AND 5.8 BE ADOPTED.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**