

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEARINGS PANEL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HOUSE, TRAFALGAR STREET, NELSON ON TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2009 COMMENCING AT 9AM**

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PRESENT: Councillor G Collingwood (Chairperson) and Councillor M Holmes  
 IN ATTENDANCE: R N Palmer (Administration Adviser)

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**1.0 PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS**

**1.1 Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved

***THAT** the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting in accordance with section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 on the grounds that the public conduct of this part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists.*

***i. Disqualification of Dog Owner***

*Reason: To protect the privacy of natural persons.*

Collingwood/Holmes

Carried

**1.2 Re-admittance of the Public**

Resolved

***THAT** the public be re-admitted to the meeting.*

Holmes/Collingwood

Carried

**2.0 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR STREET NAMING RM065182 – TODD BUSH DEVELOPMENTS LTD**

Document No 726835, dated 16 February 2009, agenda pages 1-6 refer.

Appearance: David Ward and David Orange representing the developers and Richard Johnson Divisional Manager Planning and Consents and Kathy Mardon, Administration Officer, (Nelson City Council).

Mr Orange explained the process that the developers had gone through to ascertain an appropriate name for the new street, advising that it was envisaged that in due course the area would contain a number of mature Titoki trees which were known as New Zealand oaks, and hence the choosing of the name "Twin Oak Drive".

He explained that the developers' desire to proceed with the one name meant that they were not prepared to put forward any other suggestions.

Mr Orange acknowledged that there was significant history relating to the area and that the land was part of the “Goodall Farm” and the site of the first red deer liberation within the area> It was also noted that Isobel Biggs who had had a long association with the area lived at the bottom of the valley.

The committee noted that while Goodall, Red Deer or Isobel might be alternative names for the street, both Ms Biggs and Mr Goodall were still living and neither indicated that they wished their names to be used.

The Administration Officer explained that there was no existing theme for names within the area and that she had chosen Kahikatea as being reminiscent of the bush which previously filled the valley and the only native tree name which had not been used for any other street in Nelson.

The meeting noted that the word “oaks” was likely to be applied in respect of a street in another area where there were a substantial number of English oaks where this name would be more appropriate.

The applicant advised that having regard to the fact that there were three rights-of-way which would also require names which should bear a common relationship to that of the principle street, and the impending use of the word “oaks” in a more appropriate area the developers would be prepared to reconsider the matter and submit some additional names to the Council.

The divisional Manager Planning and Consents raised the question of possible Maori names and explained that he would be happy to assist with the consultation with iwi if the developers considered this to be appropriate.

The applicants agreed to give more thought to the naming of the area and to deal directly with Mrs Mardon as to any possible alternatives.

Resolved

***THAT neither of the names “Twin Oaks Drive” or “Kahikatea Road” be accepted for the new road coming off 65 Todd Bush Road and that the applicant be requested to give further consideration to the names to be applied to this and the private rights-of-way also contained within the subdivision.***

Holmes/Collingwood

Carried

The meeting closed at 9.58am.

CONFIRMED AS A CORRECT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

\_\_\_\_\_ CHAIRPERSON

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