

Item 9: Finance

9.1 Naming of a new street in a subdivision off Plenty Road, Spring Flat.

REPORT BY THE PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER
TO 15 FEBRUARY 2023 ORDINARY MEETING
GOV400103, P23444, R0790141

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. **receive the report by the Property Support Officer on the naming of a new street in a subdivision off Plenty Road, Spring Flat;**
 2. **name this street Mervyns Lane; and**
 3. **advertise the proposed name and receive a further report at the end of the exhibition period to formalise the name of the street.**
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Executive summary

A new subdivision off Plenty Road in the locality of Spring Flat includes a new cul-de-sac. Addressing requirements for the new subdivision will necessitate the naming of this new street.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

Council, being the Roads Authority, is required to name new and unnamed streets and roads. The purpose of this report is to provide a list of names submitted by the public from which Council can choose a name for this new street.

Following the approval of a new subdivision off Plenty Road in the locality of Spring Flat, Council wrote to the property owner and neighbours of the subdivision on 9th December 2022 requesting their naming suggestions. Public consultation was also invited in an advertisement placed in the 16th December 2022 issue of the Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website. Submissions closed on 6th January 2023 and during this period one submission was received with the following name suggested:

Mervyn

This name was evaluated via the Geographical Names Board and Mervyn was accepted for use so long as the person the name related to was deceased.

The recommended name of Mervyn relates to Mervyn Consadine who, with his family, owned large portions of the land on both sides of Broadhead Road over four generations. Mervyn and his wife Maureen owned and farmed the land being developed by this subdivision. Mervyn contributed to his community in many ways. He was a member of the Mullamuddy Rural Fire Brigade and was awarded a Life Membership. He was a committee member of the Mudgee Pony Club for over 15 years. And Mervyn contributed to the war effort during World War II by manufacturing products for the war at Loneragan's Garage where he was eventually appointed to the role of Manager. Mr Consadine passed away in 2018.

Street naming is legislated under the Roads Act, 1993. This Act empowers the authority in charge of the road with the rights to name it. The naming of this new road will allow the completion of street addressing within this new subdivision. Section 162 of the Roads Act (1993) states that "a road authority may name and number all public roads for which it is the authority. A roads authority may not alter the name of a public road unless it has given the Geographical Names Board (GNB) at least two months' notice of the proposed name."

In accordance with Council's Road, Bridge and Place Naming Policy, the name that Council endorses for this road will be:

1. Advertised in the Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website inviting submissions in writing from the public for a period of 21 days.
2. Concurrently, notice of the new name will be sent to Australia Post, the Registrar General, the Surveyor General, the NSW Ambulance Service, NSW Fire & Rescue, NSW Rural Fire Brigades, NSW Police Force, NSW State Emergency Service and NSW Volunteer Rescue Association, and, in the case of a classified road – Transport for NSW, inviting submissions in writing for a period of 14 days.

At the expiration time for lodgement of submissions, a further report will be prepared for Council addressing any submissions received and recommending the formal adoption of the proposed road name, and Gazettal of the new road name.

Community Plan implications

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| Theme | Connecting Our Region |
| Goal | High quality road network that is safe and efficient |
| Strategy | Provide traffic management solutions that promote safer local roads and minimise traffic congestion |

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

Not Applicable

Council Policies

Road, Bridge and Place Naming Policy

Legislation

Roads Act 1993

Road Regulation 2008

Geographical Names Act, 1996

Geographical Names Board of NSW Address Policy and User Manual, October 2019

Financial implications

The cost and installation of a street sign at the intersection of Plenty Road with the new street. The costs of which will be met by the developer.

Associated Risks

Nil

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27 January 2023

Attachments: 1. Submission.
2. Map.

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM
GENERAL MANAGER



2 January 2022

Mr PJ Consadine
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Re- Naming of a new road in a subdivision off Plenty Road

To The General Manager of Mid-Western Regional council,

I would like to submit a name request for a new road in a subdivision off plenty road as per letter received on the 9th December 2022.

I would like to put forward the following names:

- Mervyns Drive or similar synonym (way, lane, road, avenue etc)

The name Mervyn is a suggestion in relation to Mervyn Consadine who became deceased in 2018. Mervyn Consadine and his family have been synonymous to the Spring Flat area for well over a century owning large portion of land on both sides of Broadhead RD spanning 4 generations. Mervyn and his wife Maureen owned and farmed the land that is being subdivided for over 50 years and before that it was owned by his father in-law Charlie Broadhead (Broadhead RD). We believe it would be appropriate to make refence to previous landholders who have owned the land for the longest time since Mudgee settlement.

Mervyn Consadine contributed to many community organisations during his life. He was awarded life membership of the Mulla Muddy fire brigade for his distinguished voluntary service. He was a member for over 30 years. Along with this he was also on the committee of Mudgee Pony club for over 15 years. Mervyn while being too young to enlist contributed to war effort during WW2 by manufacturing and machining products for the war at Lonergan's Garage where he was eventually appointed manager.

As mentioned, it would be a fitting contribution to name the road after Mervyn Consadine as he was an active and important participant in the Mudgee community for his 94 years. The land that will be subdivided was so meaningful and special to him. He spent over 50 years working, farming, and improving it to what we see now, which will allow future generations to enjoy it in a different capacity. Thank you for the opportunity to voice our suggestions on the subject matter. If you would like a character reference, please reach out to councillor Percy Thompson.

Kind regards

Peter Consadine & Family



