

## 9.3 Naming of a new street in a subdivision off Rifle Range Road, Mudgee

REPORT BY THE PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER  
TO 17 APRIL 2024 ORDINARY MEETING  
GOV400105, P11969 R0790141

### RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

1. **receive the report by the Property Support Officer on the naming of a new street in a subdivision off Rifle Range Road, Mudgee;**
2. **formally approve the name of Wilton Grove;**
3. **publish formal declaration of the approved name in the NSW Government Gazette, and notify the naming in accordance with Council's Road, Bridge and Place Naming Policy.**

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### Executive summary

Formal approval is requested to name the new street in a subdivision off Rifle Range Road in the town of Mudgee Wilton Grove.

### Disclosure of Interest

Nil.

### Detailed report

Council, being the Roads Authority, is required to name new and unnamed streets and roads.

Following the approval of a new subdivision off Rifle Range Road in the town of Mudgee, Council wrote to the neighbours of the subdivision on 25 October 2023 requesting their naming suggestions. Public consultation was also invited in an advertisement placed in the 3 November 2023 Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website.

From submissions received, Council provisionally approved the name of Wilton Grove at their 13 December 2023 meeting.

Wilton Grove relates to William Wilton who migrated to Australia with his wife Elizabeth in 1841. He purchased 4000 acres at McDonalds Creek, calling the property Wiltonville where he grew sheep and cattle. William contributed to the local community as a businessman, committee member of the Mechanic's Institute, a Magistrate, and one of the first Trustees of the Mudgee Showground. He was also a keen local cricketer and is buried in Mudgee Cemetery with his descendants.

The Geographical Names Board has been advised of this street name and has no objection. The new street name was advertised in the 8 March 2024 issue of the Mudgee Guardian and on Council's website with no additional submissions or objections received.

Notice of the new street name was served on 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 via the Geographical Names Board Place and Road Naming Proposal System with no objections received.

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/these street/s will allow the completion of street addressing within the 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 road 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 & Place Naming Policy, should Council formally endorse the naming of this new street, notice of the approved name will be:

1. Published in the Government Gazette, the Mudgee Guardian and on Council’s website.
2. Concurrently, notice of the new names 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.

## Community Plan implications

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Connecting Our Region</b>
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, May 2021.

## Financial implications

The cost and installation of 2 street signs at the intersection of Rifle Range Road and the street being named. The costs of which will be met by the developer.

## Associated Risks

Nil.

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PROPERTY SUPPORT OFFICER

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DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

27 March 2024

*Attachments:* 1. Submission.  
2. Map.

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM  
GENERAL MANAGER

## Sarah Pringle

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Sunday, 5 November 2023 1:12 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Road Naming Submission D/A0295/2022 Rifle Range Road  
**Attachments:** 25 Rifle Range Road Name Submission.pdf

Dear Sir

Please find attached our Road Naming Submission for new road created by subdivision off Rifle Range Road Mudgee D/A0295/2022.

I will deliver a hard copy to customer service.

Kind Regards

Symond Carr  
Director  
S.A. CARR & CO. PTY .LTD

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1/11/2023  
S.A.Carr and Company Pty Ltd.

The General Manager  
Mid-Western Regional Council.  
P.O.Box 156  
Mudgee NSW 2850.

RE: Road Naming DA0295/2022 Rifle Range Road Lot 69 DP 756864.

Dear Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the Hooper family that are the current owners and developers of the above-mentioned land.

We would like to put forward a submission to name the new road off Rifle Range Road created by subdivision, recognising William and Elizabeth Wilton, their family, and their descendants.

**“WILTON AVENUE”**

Our submission is based on local history, early settlers, and eminent persons.

William and Elizabeth arrived in Australia from Wiltshire England on 23/12/1841 and purchased land in the Mudgee district, “Wiltonville”, 4,000 acres freehold at McDonalds Creek. Over time they worked the land into the largest wool growing property and woolshed of the time in the district producing a wool clip of 100 bales whilst grazing 250 head of cattle.

William was a local businessman, a committee member of the Mechanic’s Institute, a Magistrate, an Alderman and Mayor of the Cudgegong Borough Council in the late 1800’s (see attached), one of the first trustee’s of the Mudgee Showground in 1881 (see attached) as well as a keen cricketer participating in many a thrilling game between Mudgee & West End teams, and between the various families, the Wiltons, the Honeysett’s and the Rayners.

Unfortunately, both the homestead and Wiltonville woolshed were destroyed by fire on separate occasions as well as Kellet’s Store in Market Street where there was once a lane named Wilton Lane, this no longer exists.

William and Elizabeth are buried in the Mudgee Cemetery along with members of their direct family in the Wilton Cryp.

We trust you look favourably upon our submission recognising the Wilton family history and the large contribution that has been made to the Mudgee area and community, as a whole over the past 182 years.

Yours faithfully

Director  
S.A.Carr and Company Pty Ltd.



After a period of political lobbying during the 1870s regarding the construction of the Mudgee Railway, its route was finally determined to locate close to the Burrundulla site, which therefore compromised the potential to continue to conduct shows there<sup>9</sup>. The search then began for a larger, permanent site for the Showground. This initiated a history of legislative dedications and trustee appointments.

The establishment and growth of the Showground precinct as it is seen today, at its current site commenced in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

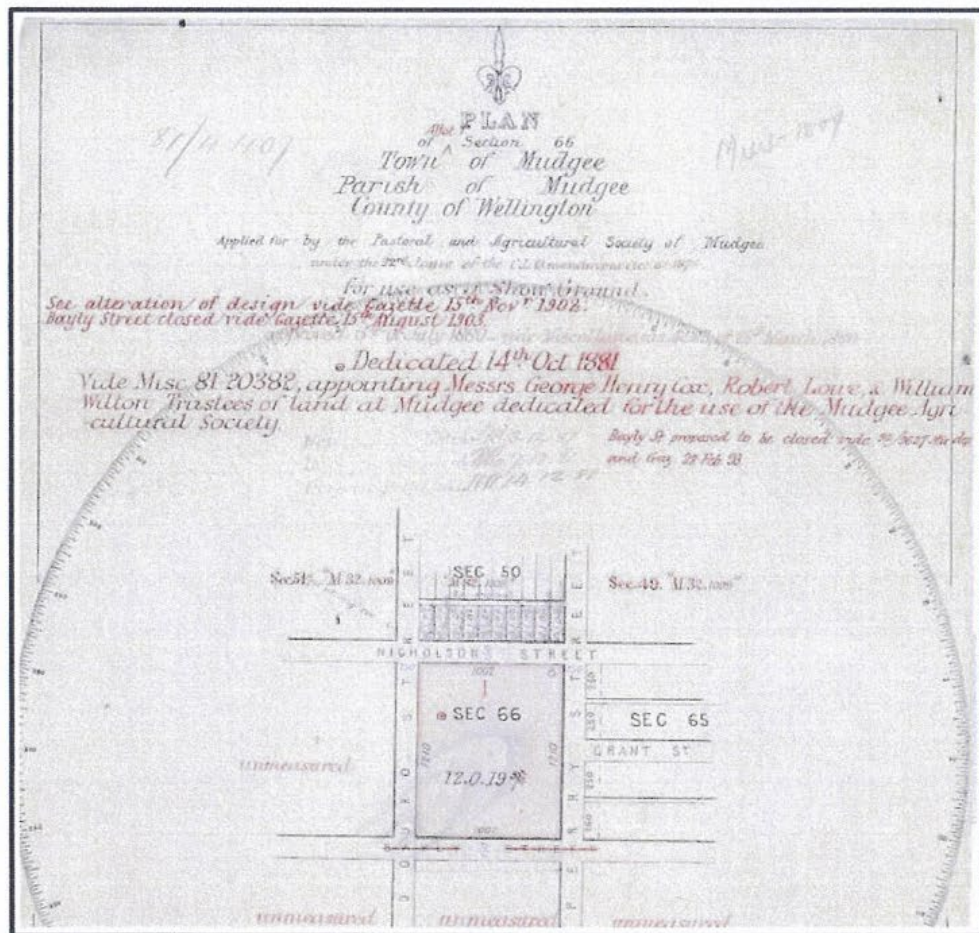


Figure 2 – Plan showing first dedication for Mudgee Showground in 1881

Lot 1 of Section 66 was dedicated for the purpose of Mudgee Agricultural Society on 14 October 1881 (see Figure 2). Although shows had been held in Mudgee since the 1840s, this era commenced the staging of the first Mudgee Show at the current locality. On 11 November 1881, the first Trustees were appointed to the Showground. These were: George Cox, Henry Cox, Robert Lowe and William Wilton.

On 14 November 1893, Lot 2 was dedicated and added to the existing Showground (see Figure 3).

<sup>9</sup> The railway officially opened 11 September 1884: Ref [www.mudgeeguardian.com.au/story/local-history-sir-john-robertson-the-premier/](http://www.mudgeeguardian.com.au/story/local-history-sir-john-robertson-the-premier/)



