

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE **HORSHAM RURAL CITY COUNCIL**

To be held on

8 May 2023

At 5.00pm

In the

Council Chamber, Civic Centre

18 Roberts Avenue, HORSHAM



**COUNCILLORS are respectfully requested to attend the Council Meeting
of the Horsham Rural City Council to be held on 8 May 2023
in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Horsham at 5.00pm**

Order of Business

PRESENT

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

1. PRAYER

Almighty God, we pledge ourselves to work in harmony for, the social, cultural and economic well-being of our Rural City. Help us to be wise in our deliberations and fair in our actions, so that prosperity and happiness shall be the lot of our people. AMEN

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY STATEMENT

Horsham Rural City Council acknowledges the five Traditional Owner groups of this land; the Wotjobaluk, Wergaia, Jupagulk, Jaadwa and Jadawadjali people. We recognise the important and ongoing place that all Indigenous people hold in our community.

We pay our respects to the Elders, both past and present, and commit to working together in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect for the benefit of the broader community and future generations.

3. OPENING AND WELCOME

Chairman, Cr Robyn Gulline formally welcomed those in attendance to the meeting. The Mayor advised that the meeting will be recorded to maintain a video archive, which will be available on the Horsham Rural City Council website as soon as possible.

4. APOLOGIES

5. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest

A Councillor who has declared a conflict of interest, must leave the meeting and remain outside the room while the matter is being considered, or any vote is taken.

Members of Staff

Under Section 130 of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers or people engaged under contract to the Council providing a report or advice to Council must disclose any conflicts of interests in the matter, including the type of interest.

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7. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

7.1 FLOOD RECOVERY ROAD WORKS-PACKAGE 2 CONTRACT 23-026 – CONFIDENTIAL
Defined as confidential information in accordance with Local Government Act 2020 - Section 3(1)(g) – Private Commercial Information

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SUNIL BHALLA
Chief Executive Officer

6. OFFICERS REPORTS

6.1 REQUEST INCLUSION ON COUNCIL'S STREET NAME LIST– HAVEN PARK DRIVE

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Department:	Finance	File Number:	

Officer Conflict of Interest

Officer disclosure in accordance with *Local Government Act 2020* – Section 130:

☐ Yes ☒ No

Reason: Nil

Status

Defined as confidential information in accordance with *Local Government Act 2020* – Section 3(1):

☐ Yes ☒ No

Reason: Nil

Appendix

Nil

Purpose

To approve the inclusion of the name Haven Park Drive on Council's Street Naming list.

Summary

- Angela Plazzer (Ferguson Perry, on behalf of Mal McCombe) has requested that the name Haven Park Drive be added to Council's Street Naming list.
- Haven Park Drive is related to the estate "Haven Park" which is the historical name of the property where the estate is located.

Recommendation

That Council endorse the inclusion of the name Haven Park Drive on Council's Street Naming list.

REPORT

Background

The *Naming rules for places in Victoria* – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities – 2022 (the naming rules) have replaced the 2016 naming rules. They are the statutory guidelines provided for under section 5 of the *Geographic Place Names Act 1998*; and are mandatory for all naming authorities in Victoria – councils, government departments and emergency response and public service providers – and include all government-owned or administered roads, features (natural or otherwise) and localities. Based on national standards and policies, they provide a strong basis for standardised and clear naming procedures across the state.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the naming process in Victoria by proposing a name, initiating a proposal or responding to a relevant naming authority regarding a naming proposal. Any applicant requesting to have a new name placed on Council's Street Naming list must submit an application to Council for approval with substantiating information to support their request. Criteria include significant contributions to the local community; linkages to the history of the locality; and/or significant / notable achievements.

Developers should consult the respective road naming authority when preparing plans of subdivision but can put forward their own preferred street name for consideration and approval. Alternatively they can choose to use a particular name from the Council Street Naming list. Council currently has over 60 names to choose from on that list.

Discussion

A naming proposal request has been made by a member/s of the public, specifically Angela Plazzer (Ferguson Perry, on behalf of Mal McCombe) to include the name "Haven Park Drive" on Council's Street Naming list. The proposal outlines that the name "Haven Park Drive" has relevance for the estate name "Haven Park" as well as a link to the locality in which the estate is situated, namely Haven. It is also the historical name of the farm on which the estate is located and the road will have frontage to a park.

The applicants have indicated that there are no other roads named "Haven Park Drive" in Victoria and there are no similarly named roads in the region. While they acknowledge the name "Haven Park Drive" is not commemorative of an event, person or place they do identify that the name is a clear and unambiguous name that is unique in Horsham and the wider region.

Options to Consider

Council can reserve the right to NOT approve a request for street / road / place naming and may select an appropriate name of their choice after consideration of the requirements of the policy.

Sustainability Implications

Nil

Community Engagement

This proposal has emanated from members of the public.

Innovation and Continuous Improvement

Not applicable

Collaboration

Not applicable

Financial Implications

Nil

Regional, State and National Plans and Policies

Naming rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities 2022 These naming rules are aligned with national principles around the consistent use of place names within Australia, including the Australia and New Zealand Working Group on Place Names – [Principles for the consistent use of place names](#), [AS/NZS4819:2011 Rural and urban addressing](#) and the [United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names](#) (UNGEGN) publications. [Geographic Names Victoria](#) (GNV) oversees the naming and registration of roads, features and localities in Victoria. GNV works closely with naming authorities, emergency services and delivery agencies and with jurisdictions across Australia to achieve consistency in naming.

Council Plans, Strategies and Policies

2021-2025 Council Plan

Horsham Rural City Council Street Naming Policy

Risk Implications

The process by which the names were provided and the intent for inclusion of the names on Council's Naming list conforms to the naming rules and Council policy which mitigates the risk associated with consideration of their inclusion.

Conclusion

The name Haven Park Drive conforms to the *Naming rules for places in Victoria, statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities – 2022* and the Council's Street / Road / Places Naming Policy. The request for the addition of name to the Street Naming list was submitted to and processed by Council's Rate Collector as required by policy. The name is considered appropriate to be added to Council's Street Naming list.