

3.3 Development Engineering

3.3.1 Naming of Roads

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Policy Objective	To provide a framework for the naming of roads in the District.
Policy	<p>Council has the statutory responsibility for the naming and renaming of roads within the District, including road types. In exercising this responsibility, Council will ensure that community aspirations, including those of Iwi and developers, are considered in the process. Council has the final decision on the naming of roads.</p> <p>Register of Potential Road Names</p> <p>In order to provide guidance when naming roads, Council will maintain a register of potential road names that may be applied anywhere in the Waipa District or in specified areas or communities within the District. In relation to the area in which the road is situated, road names which may include some Maori name options shall be drawn from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The names of persons, past or present, including past elected members of Council or Community Boards, who have played a significant role in the area or community • Significant historical events • Significant geographical or topographical features. • Council’s Sister City relationships. • In the area of Cambridge west of the river, including the rural area outside of the townbelt road names should take into account early settlers and the heritage of the area. <p>The register of names shall record the rationale for including the proposed name.</p> <p>Where the proposed name is that of a person, the name recorded for use will generally be the surname of that person. The inclusion of the name of any living person shall be accompanied by suitable evidence approving the use of that person’s name.</p>

The historical themes used for the naming of roads in urban communities are:

Leamington	British and New Zealand authors/poets, early settlers/residents and names that reflect the heritage of the area
Cambridge East	Monarchs, early settlers/residents and government politicians
Te Awamutu	Noted residents
Kihikihi	Politicians/members of the local constabulary/militia
Pirongia	Explorers of the north-west passage
Ohaupo	Local landowners

The register shall be subject to regular review and at least biennially. The review process shall include referring the register to Community Boards, Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa and Pirongia Ward Consultative Committee for comment and recommended names for inclusion. Any such recommendations shall be accompanied by supporting rationale, and will be considered by Council, who will determine whether or not the register will be amended. The register will be made available to the general public.

Process of Naming Roads

Where Council receives a request to name or rename a road, and the proposed name is listed in the register and the location is appropriate, then the request will be referred to Council for a decision. Unless individual circumstances warrant otherwise including, by way of example, historical Maori place names, Council will support the request and confirm the name accordingly.

Where the request relates to a road that is not listed in the register, the request shall be accompanied by supporting rationale for the proposed name. Council will refer the request to the relevant Community Board, Nga Iwi Toopu o Waipa and the Pirongia Ward Consultative Committee (as appropriate) for comment prior to Council’s decision.

Proposed names must not be shown on any plans or drawings until Council approval has been obtained.

Road Type

The road type name must be one that most accurately reflects the type of roadway that is being named and including the potential long term development of the road. The list below should be used as appropriate.

Road types and appropriate names	
Type of road	Road name options
Relatively short, dead-end Roads, Cul-de-sacs	Place, Court, Close, Grove, Way, Courtyard, Rise
Long Cul-de-sacs, Through Roads	Road, Street, Drive, Ridge, Terrace
Loop Road to same street	Crescent, Loop, Circle
Rural Road	Road
Wide spacious roads	Avenue, Boulevard, Parade
Narrow Road, Service Lane, Access Way	Lane, Way
Street in Commercial areas	Arcade, Mall, Plaza, Square, Street, Road
Short Road leading to water	Landing

To avoid duplication and confusion, where a name has been used in one area of the District it shall not be used elsewhere in the District.

Linkages/References	Register of Potential Names (record number 07834324)
Department	Planning and Community Relations - Development Engineering
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