



KEMPSEY
Shire Council

DIRECTOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

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STREET NAMING

FILE: T6-02-697 AJC

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SUMMARY:

Reporting on a petition lodged with Council objecting to a proposed street name change.

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Applicant: Petition Affected property owners
Subject Property: All properties off Francis Conn Place
Zone: 1(c) Rural Small Holdings

BACKGROUND:

Francis Conn Place and Trevor Judd Place were originally identified for use on the old section of Collombatti Road and this development as specified in the Council approved Streets of Honour list and shown at [\(Appendix B – Page G2\)](#)

The name Trevor Judd was subsequently transferred to a street at South West Rocks following a request from the family that the nominated individual had a greater affiliation with village of South West Rocks.

Council at its general meeting of the 23rd September 2003 resolved to support the developer's nominated choice for the proposed internal access road to the subdivision as *Yarnold Close*.

The street sign Francis Conn Place was supplied and erected by the civil contractor for this development instead of the required Yarnold Close.

The developments second stage civil engineering works were completed in 2007 and it was noted that the street sign had not been changed over from Francis Conn Place to Yarnold Place.

Letters were dispatched to the property owners informing them of the Council resolution of the 23rd September 2003.

Subsequently the affected property owners lodged a petition objecting to the proposed street name Yarnold Close. The petitions are attached to this report as [\(Appendix C – Page G3\)](#)

Proposal

The petitioners have requested Council reconsider renaming the street, Yarnold Close and retain the name Francis Conn Close. The following reasons have been given in support of the residents proposal: -

- The proposed change will cause unnecessary financial and social hardship.
- Time and associated costs in informing utility companies and other institutions.

Planning Comment

One option would be for Council to approve of the proposal submitted by the affected property owners. The following points lend support to the proposal not to change the street name:

- a) The street name is contained in the approved Streets of Honour list and is suitable for use in this locality.
- b) The street name Francis Conn Place complies with Council policy on Street Naming.
- c) There will be no further cost to Council. The street sign Francis Conn Close is in place.
- d) The affected residents will not need to make arrangements to change address details with their utility companies and other relevant institutions.
- e) The street name Yarnold Close could be used on that part of the old Collombatti Road that was originally identified as the location for the name *Francis Conn*.

Another option would be to retain the name Yarnold Close. This option is not preferred as it is not listed on the approved Streets of Honour list and Council has in the past given first preference to names on this list. Further, the name Francis Conn Close would be applied to an internal road servicing a greater number of lots than in its previous location thereby elevating its importance.

REPORT IMPLICATIONS:

- ***Environmental***

The proposal will not generate any adverse environmental impacts.

- ***Social***

There will be no social implications.

- ***Economic (Financial)***

There will be no further cost to Council if the proposal put by the residents is adopted. The street sign Francis Conn Close is in place.

- *Policy or Statutory*

The proposal is in accordance with Council Policy on Street naming.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the request to name the internal road associated with this development as Francis Conn Place be approved.

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