

NAMING OF PARKS, RESERVES, STREETS & INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY



Responsible Division	Planning and Development Services
Responsible Business Unit/s	Strategic Planning and Place Services, Recreation Services
Responsible Officer	Manager Strategic Planning and Place
Affected Business Unit/s	Strategic Planning and Place Services, Recreation Services

PURPOSE:

To outline the City of Bayswater's requirements, in support of the consistent approach for the naming of parks, reserves, streets and infrastructure as set out by the Geographic Names Committee Policies and Standards for Geographical Naming in Western Australia.

POLICY STATEMENT:

In accordance with Geographic Names Committee Policies and Standards for Geographical Naming in Western Australia:

1. The naming of a park, reserve, street and infrastructure shall be determined by Council.
2. A list of all names and their origins will be kept within a Geographic Names Register.
3. Priority will be given to the naming of parks and reserves after an adjacent street or feature to maximise the identification of that park or reserve with an area.
4. Components of recreational reserves (e.g. pavilions, ovals, gardens etc.) may:
 - a. be named in honour of community members who have contributed towards the establishment of the particular facility or towards the community in general. Such proposals may include forename/surname combinations; or
 - b. have commercial short term names for the purposes of event promotion or sponsorship. Any proposed sponsorship signage shall be in accordance with the Sponsorship Signage on Reserves Policy.
5. All requests for the naming of a park, street, reserve or infrastructure must be identified within one of the following categories:
 - a. A figure of local historical note;
 - b. Geographic feature(s); or
 - c. Other acceptable theme(s).
6. Requests for the naming of a park, street, reserve or infrastructure after a person must be made in writing and contain the following details of the person intended to be recognised:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth and year of death, if applicable;

- c. Detailed information and supporting documentation (e.g. letters, newspaper articles, oral histories, photographs etc.) to demonstrate the person's contribution(s)/relevance to the local community; and
 - d. Evidence of all efforts to gain consent from family members of the person who is being recognised in the name.
7. Names chosen for City parks, reserves, streets and infrastructure are expected to be permanent, and re-naming is discouraged. Renaming will only be considered in exceptional circumstances and where significant community support has been demonstrated.
 8. Nothing in this policy prevents Council from approving short term names for the purposes of event promotion or sponsorship.

DEFINITIONS:

Nil

RELATED LEGISLATION:

Section 2.7(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995

RELATED DOCUMENTATION:

Nil

Relevant Delegations		
Risk Evaluation		
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