



Council Policy NAMING OF ROADS, PARKS, COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREET NUMBERING

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POLICY BACKGROUND

Noosa Council is the custodian for a range of community assets that have traditionally been given names to:

- Assist with location identification;
- Honour local historical individuals, objects, events or organisations; or
- Make them appealing to residents, the general community and visitors.

Council has a responsibility under the Local Government Act (2009) for the naming and numbering of public and private roads within council boundaries.

This policy does not apply to naming of towns, place names or state roads and bridges.

This policy is to be read in conjunction with operational procedure *Naming of Roads, Parks, Community Infrastructure & Street Numbering Procedure*.

COUNCIL POLICY

Principles Common to all Naming

1. A name will be:
 - a) Relevant to Australian, preferably local, history, flora, fauna, culture, landscape or physical characteristics; and
 - b) Only one word, understanding that a geographic relationship such as Cooroy Mountain is permissible; and
 - c) Sensitive to diverse cultures and in accordance with community standards. The use of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander names will be governed by the ANZLIC Committee on Surveying & Mapping *Guidelines for the Consistent Use of Place Names 2012*; and
 - d) In the style and spelling of contemporary Australian English, concise, easy to pronounce and spell and without accent marks, apostrophes or hyphens.
2. Names that may be construed as advertising a commercial or industrial enterprise are not suitable.
3. If personal names are used, the person commemorated should:
 - a) Have contributed significantly to the development of the locality or region; or
 - b) Have demonstrated outstanding levels of civic service; or

- c) Have achieved role-model status in the wider community or have donated property or funds for community benefit; and
- d) Be recognised in memoriam. Names of living persons are by their nature subject to partisan perception and change in community judgement and acceptance. For this reason they are not suitable choices for official names.

Naming and Renaming Roads

1. Road names should be unique within the locality and single destination, eg Eumundi Road, not Eumundi Noosa Road.
2. Road types will be in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
3. Council approval of new road names is required before a plan for subdivision is lodged.
4. Renaming of roads will only occur in extraordinary cases however a request for renaming may be initiated by an individual, community organisation or councillor.
5. Where duplication of road names already exists at the time of adoption of this policy, council will not change the name. Council may choose to rename the road subsequently:
 - a) If requested to do so by a majority of the property owners fronting the road;
 - b) If requested to do so by a Queensland State Department Director (e.g. Emergency Services); or
 - c) At its own discretion.

Naming and Renaming Parks

1. Park names should be unique within the locality.
2. Renaming of parks will only occur in extraordinary cases however a request for renaming may be initiated by an individual, community organisation or councillor.

Naming and Renaming Community Infrastructure

1. New community infrastructure that may be named includes community buildings, facilities and bridges.
2. Council does not name road intersections or roundabouts. Intersections and roundabouts should have directional signage that conforms with council policy on signage and the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices to assist with wayfinding.
3. Renaming of community infrastructure will only occur in extraordinary cases however a request for renaming may be initiated by an individual, community organisation or councillor.

Street Numbering

1. Street numbers are allocated in conformity with the Australian Standard AS4819:2003.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To ensure that the naming and renaming of roads, parks and community infrastructure is consistent with this policy, the following table defines the valid applications, requestors, assessors and approvers allowable:

Application	Requestor	Assessor	Approver
Naming of New or Unnamed Road	Developer, Community	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Director Planning & Infrastructure
Renaming of Existing Road	Community, Council	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Council
Naming of New Park	Developer	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Director Planning & Infrastructure
Renaming of Existing Park	Community, Council	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Council
Naming of New Community Infrastructure	Community, Council	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Council
Renaming of Existing Community Infrastructure	Community, Council	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure	Council
Numbering of New Roads	Developer	Officer, Revenue Services	Director Planning & Infrastructure
Renumbering of Existing Roads	Community, Council	Officer, Planning & Infrastructure and Officer, Revenue Services	Director Planning & Infrastructure

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

Local Government Act (2009) S.60

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