

Community & Services Committee 2 November 2017

Report for Agenda Item 1

Department: Community Services

Naming of a future reserve in Hanley's Farm to be vested with the Queenstown Lakes District Council

Purpose

1 To consider and approve the proposed name of a future reserve within the Hanley's Farm subdivision, Queenstown.

Recommendation

That the Community and Services Committee:

- 1. **Note** the contents of this report and in particular;
- 2. **Accept** the recommendation to approve the future recreation reserve legally described as Lots 97 and 99 of the Hanley's Farm sub division development, named 'Hanley Park'.
- 3. **Approve** the gazetting of the recreation reserve when vested.

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Background

- 2 The Hanley's Farm sub division development was originally part of the wider Remarkables Station. The area of the Station was once known as Hanley Downs and named after Irish immigrant, John (Jack) Hanley.
- 3 Hanley was recorded as one of the Stations 'wheat harvest hands' from 1899. He then became head Shepard of the Station until he died in 1941. Jack Hanley is buried in the Frankton Cemetery adjacent to the Jardine Family who were the owners of the Station.
- 4 The main road entering the subdivision and accessing the reserve is to be called 'Jack Hanley Drive'.
- 5 Dan Wells on behalf of RCL Henley Downs Ltd requested that Council formally name the future recreation reserves to be vested with Council and legally described as Lots 97, and 99 of the Hanley's Farm subdivision development.
- 6 The future reserves cover 3.13ha and are located within the vicinity of Woolshed and Kingston Roads, Queenstown. Please refer to Attachment A for the location of this reserve.

Comment

- 7 The Parks and Reserves Naming Policy outlines the criteria to assess suggested names.
- 8 Step 1 as part of the QLDC Parks and Reserve Naming Policy requires Iwi consultation as part of the decision making framework. Local Iwi have been consulted via KTKO Ltd who have advised they have no specific concerns with the proposed name for the reserve.
- 9 The proposed name for the future reserves within the vicinity of Hanley's Farm subdivision development met the following criteria's contained within the naming policy 2. Historical Person or Event and 6. Associated name.

Options

- 10 This report identifies and assesses the following reasonably practicable options for assessing the matter as required by section 77 of the Local Government Act 2002:
- 11 Option 1 Formally name the reserve

Advantages:

12 Relevant name formally adopted to provide the reserve a 'sense of place' and recognises local usage with the associated name.

Disadvantages:

- 13 It may cause potential conflict as the wider community have not been consulted on regarding the name.
- 14 Option 2 Seek alternative name options

Advantages:

15 Allow for other name applications for the reserve and measure best option as per the Parks and Reserves Naming Policy.

Disadvantages:

- 16 Alternative name applications may not be received.
- 17 Costs associated with further consultation.
- 18 Option 3 Do not formally name the reserve

Advantages:

19 Avoid any conflict or disagreement with other interested parties wanting to apply for an appropriate name.

Disadvantages:

- 20 The reserve is left with a name that the community are not entirely happy with.
- 21 This report recommends Option 1 for addressing the matter.

Significance and Engagement

22 This matter is of low significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy because the reserves are not considered strategic assets.

Risk

23 This matter does not have significant risk. This risk is noted as OR26, as documented in the Council's risk register. The risk is classed as low. Risk of judicial review can arise if Council fail to name reserves in accordance with the Naming of Parks & Reserves Policy. The recommended option considered above mitigates the risk by recommending names that are in accordance with Councils policy.

Financial Implications

24 There is a small fee associated with the Gazette process charged on an annual basis.

Council Policies, Strategies and Bylaws

25 The following Council policies, strategies and bylaws were considered:

- Significance Policy this decision does not meet any of the significance thresholds.
- Parks & Reserves Naming Policy to determine the process for naming these reserves.
- 26 The recommended option is consistent with the principles set out in the named policy/policies.
- 27 This matter is not included in the 10-Year Plan/Annual Plan

Local Government Act 2002 Purpose Provisions

- 28 The recommended option:
 - Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses by providing a sense of place and associated reference for the reserve;
 - Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
 - Would not significantly alter the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

Consultation: Community Views and Preferences

- 29 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are residents and ratepayers of the Queenstown Lakes District Community and local lwi.
- 30 The community have not been consulted because the matter is not considered to be of such significance to require wider consultation.
- 31 As per the naming policy requirements, the Parks and Reserves Officer has consulted with lwi to determine whether the open space or surrounding area is of significance to Maori in accordance with the processes and protocols developed with the relevant Papatipu Runanga o Ngai Tahu.
- 32 Kai Tahu Ki Otago (KTKO) Ltd has advised that there is no objection to the proposed names

Attachments

A Location of the reserves

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