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HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: City of Inverness Area Committee

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Report Title: Homologation of new Street names

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1. Purpose/Executive Summary

1.1 This report sets out requests from the Development and Infrastructure Service to establish street names for a new housing developments in Wards 17 and 19

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are asked to Homologate the naming of streets as follows:
 - i. One new street name at Westercraigs as: Ruighard Place
 - ii. Two new streets for application 2, Tornagrain housing development as; Laggnagere, Laggnagere Court and a further one as Hares Loan
 - iii. One street for the former Poultry unit, Loch Flemington as; Souters View
 - iv. Three streets in Culduthel as; Kilfinan Way, Bracara Road and Banavie Gardens

3. Ward 13

3.1 Members are invited to homologate one street name for a new housing development of 32 properties as part of the Westercraigs development. The developer proposed the name Ruighard Place (Ceàrn an Ruighe Àird) which was supported by Local Members and the Community Council.

4. Ward 17

4.1 New housing development, Tornagrain application 2

Members are invited to homologate two street names for the Tornagrain development. The two names are alternatives put forward by the developer following challenge by Cllr Balfour as to the suitability of 'Valla'. The Councils Senior translation officer has worked with the organisation Gaelic place names of Scotland (AÀA) to check that the alternative street names provided by the developer of Laggnagere and Laggnagere Court are appropriate for the site. The name can be interpreted as 'small hollow of the hare(s)' which they deem plausible.

The translation officer has confirmed that it is acceptable to use historical reference, in this case a map of the Estate known as the 'Winters map' in which the street names are drawn from. This is the same map used in previous naming requests that have been approved.

Croy Community Council and two out of three Elected Members have supported the names as proposed of Laggnagere (Lagan na Gearra) and Laggnagere Court (Cùirt Lagan na Gearra).

In this instance the Gazetteer team have proceeded on the basis of majority.

A further one street name was identified by the Tornagrain developer as required to serve four properties by foot. The developer proposed the name Hare's Loan which was supported by the Community Council and all but one elected member who did not pass comment. This support however was on the proviso that the apostrophe was not used and the name simply read as Hares Loan.

4.2 New housing development, former Poultry Unit, Loch Flemington

Members are invited to homologate one street name for a housing development of 8 units on the former poultry unit site at Loch Flemington. The developer had proposed the name 'The Grange' for this site. The Community Council were happy to have elected members make the decision. Following 4 suggestions from individual Members, the final name of Souters View was agreed by majority.

5. Ward 19

5.1 Members are invited to homologate three street names serving 82 new properties at Culduthel. Inverness South Community Council wished Elected Members to make the decision. Members supported the developers proposals of Kilfinan Way, Bracara Road and Banavie Gardens following a crofting theme.

6. Implications

6.1	There are no Resource, Legal, Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural), Climate Change/Carbon Clever or Risk implications.		
6.2	Gaelic - the street signs will be bilingual; and so promote the use of Gaelic.		
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	Background Papers: None		