



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, excepting personal names and 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.

Naming and renaming roads

1. Road names should be unique within the area north of the Maroochy River 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.
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.

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.

Street numbering

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

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Director Planning & Infrastructure is responsible for maintaining this policy.

Business Support Officer, Planning & Infrastructure is responsible for assessing naming requests.

Revenue Services Officer, Corporate Services is responsible for assessing road numbering requests.

Any person or organisation may request the naming or renaming of a road, park or community infrastructure and the numbering or renumbering of roads.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

Local Government Act (2009) S.60

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