

Intent

To establish principles for the identification of appropriate road names and a process for the naming or renaming of roads within the Tablelands Regional Council (TRC) local government area (LGA).

Scope

This policy applies to private and public roads within the TRC LGA (excluding State-controlled roads).

Policy Statement

A road name must be unique within the TRC LGA. Road names will be derived from the following sources:

- Names of fallen soldiers from a relevant district
- Aboriginal family names submitted by the members of the Aboriginal community for the cultural area where the road is located
- Names of historical or significant places
- Specifically adopted themes for areas
- Names associated with long term (20 years or more) resident families and individuals in the relevant district
- Names of significant local artists
- Names of someone local who has achieved State, National or International recognition.

1. Naming conventions

A road will only have one name.

Duplicate names and similar sounding names within the TRC LGA will be avoided.

Names must be easy to read, spell and pronounce.

Names will be selected to keep links to the local history and First Nations cultural heritage alive in a practical way which serves to honour our Traditional Owners, fallen soldiers and historical identities.

First Nations place names or language words must be suitable for the exact location of the road.

Unduly long names and those more than two words will be avoided:

- A given name will only be included with a family name where it is essential to identify an individual or avoid ambiguity.
- Some roads require a two-word name because of their geographical relationship (e.g. Rifle Range Road).
- Roads with double destination names should be avoided (e.g. Herberton – Petford Road).

Names will not contain abbreviations. However, St will always be used for Saint, and it is acceptable to use Mt for Mountain.

The apostrophe mark must be omitted in the possessive case e.g. Smith's Road will be Smiths Road. Apostrophes forming part of an eponymous name may be included e.g. O'Connor Road.

The use of hyphens will be avoided unless used in a name in memoriam. Australian Standards recommend replacing the hyphen with a space.

The use of numbers including Roman or Arabic numerals will be avoided. When numbers are used in a name it will be in alphabetical form.

No spaces will be embedded in words, single spaces only are allowed between words (e.g. McMyrtle Street) and no spaces surrounding hyphens (e.g. Jones-Smith Road).

Where practicable, road names will be continuous from the logical start to the logical end of the road, irrespective of district boundaries, landforms and intersecting roads.

2. Districts

Nine districts are defined within the LGA by amalgamating formal localities. TRC will maintain a list of approved road names for each district.

If a new or unnamed road is outside of a defined district, it should be named after the main property that it runs through or is adjacent to, or a suitable name chosen from an adjacent district list.

Specific areas where a road name theme exists are included within the relevant district. Within these areas, the existing road name theme will be continued for new roads.

3. Process

New road name

Developers are invited to choose from the approved road name list for the relevant district for new roads in a subdivision development.

Where an existing road is unnamed, a property owner with property serviced by that road, may request in writing to name that road and is invited to choose from the approved list for the relevant district. TRC will notify all adjacent property owners of the proposed name and they will have a period of 30 business days to respond with a submission regarding the proposal.

The authority to adopt a new road name is delegated to TRC's Chief Executive Officer if the name is on the approved list for the relevant district, or in accordance with an existing theme for the area.

Changing a road name

Requests to rename an existing road must be made in writing and referred to Council for endorsement, after a process of public consultation.

TRC will notify all property owners on an existing road of the proposed renaming of a road and advertise the proposal via local media. The community will have a period of 30 business days to respond with a submission regarding the proposal, before a recommendation is referred to Council for endorsement.

Approved road name lists

If a developer or proponent of a name change wants to request a name which is not on the approved list, they must describe the origin of the name and demonstrate that it is consistent with this Policy. The request will be referred to Council for endorsement.

Anyone wanting to use First Nations road names must contact Traditional Owners of the relevant area and request a name or word from the relevant First Nations language which relates specifically to the location of the road.

Names can be added to these lists with the endorsement of Council. TRC welcomes input from anyone who can provide supporting information for the inclusion of additional names.

4. Approved Road Name Lists

District 1 – including the localities of Atherton, Carrington, East Barron & Wongabel

Name	Origin
Beattie	Stephen John Beattie – Killed in WWII, born in Atherton, lived in East Barron
Brownjohn	Hilton George Brownjohn – Killed in WWII, born in Atherton
Bunker	Photographer – Atherton
Burke	Solicitors
Cur Cur	First Nations place name – Atherton
Dansie	Sam Dansie – volunteer (Cemeteries)
Draper	Pioneer family – Atherton
Edmonds	Tailor – Atherton
Esbensen	Peter Beattie's Grandmother – charity worker
Foggin	Pioneer family – Atherton
Guilfoyle	Funeral directors – Atherton
Hardgrave	Chemist – Atherton
Holmes	1910 Atherton based family
Kinzbrunner	Pioneer landowner and electrician – Atherton
Leavis	Samuel & Christina Leavis – worked on Atherton railway and founded Leavis Cordials
Malouf	Shopkeeper (haberdashery) – Atherton
Mansbridge	Phil Mansbridge – Stock agent/ real estate
Marendy	Picture theatre and leader on shop front in Main Street – Atherton
McAuliffe	Reg McAuliffe – prominent Atherton businessman and developer
Muller	Newspaper Proprietors
Pietrobelli	Violin player
Reis	Ted Reis Carnier
Ruttiman	Farmers in Atherton – Herberton Road
Shaw	Doctor – Atherton Hospital
Skene	Shop on Main Street
Small	Frank Small – chicken farmer in Atherton
Straughan	William Straughan – Chairperson, Atherton Tablelands Maize Marketing Board
Sutherst	Vivian Sutherst – Killed in WWII, born in Atherton
Templeton	Pioneer family – Atherton
Timbrell	Ronald George Timbrell – Killed in WWII, born in Atherton
Toomey	Farmers and involved in Atherton Show
Tucker	Pioneer family – Atherton
Waldron	WWI Soldier buried at Pioneer Cemetery – Atherton
Waterworth	Midwife
Woullé	Bootmaker – Atherton

Established themes:

- Comet/astronomical names in the area of Atherton bordered by Mazlin Creek to the north and west and Golf Links Road to the south.
- Flower names in the area of Atherton bordered by Robert Street to the north, Kennedy Highway to the east, Loder Street to the south and Logan Street to the west.

District 2 – including the localities of Rangeview, Tandara, Tolga & Walkamin

Name	Origin
Anning	First Nations family – worked on the night cart for Tommy Albright, Doris Anning ashes scattered in the Tolga scrub (Tolga Industrial Estate)
Back Gee	Chinese market gardener and retailer
Bunker	Photographer – Tolga
Floreancig	Ernesto & Lydia Floreancig – farmers and shop owners in Tolga and Walkamin
Gannon	John Gannon – owned Tolga Hotel
Hole	Peter (Digger) Hole – WWI returned soldier, active in Tolga community
Kolln	M Kolln – killed in WWII
Lambert	1950 street name – Tolga
Lee Sye	Lee Sye, born China 1876 – pioneer shopkeeper Tolga
Mackay	Uniting Church, market garden in Tolga
McCarthy	Pioneer family – Tolga
McDiarmid	Pioneer family – Tolga
Nairne	Pioneer farmer – Tolga
Neary	1950 street name – Tolga
Rolls	E Rolls – killed in WWII
Stockman	Local farmer – Tolga/Kairi
Swindley	1950 street name – Tolga
Trimarchi	Pioneer farming family

District 3 – including the localities of Innot Hot Springs, Mount Garnet & Silver Valley

Name	Origin
Congoo	First Nations mining family
Dredge	D Dredge – killed in WWII
Ison	A Ison – killed in WWII
Knight	J Knight – killed in WWII
Marcus	J Marcus – killed in WWII
McKinley	C McKinley – killed in WWII
Puet	P Puet – killed in WWII
Spranklin	N Spranklin – pioneer miner, publican and entrepreneur, founder of Innot Hot Springs Spa Water Co.
Weiland	Hotel keeper and grazier

Established theme:

- Mineral names in the town of Mount Garnet.

District 4 – including the localities of Barrine, Lake Barrine, Lake Eacham & Yungaburra

Name	Origin
Ashford	Leonard Joseph Ashford – killed in WWI
Bardon	George Bardon – killed in WWI
Barker	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Borgert	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Cakebread	Alfred Cakebread – killed in WWI
Dann	Frank Dann – killed in WWI
Delaforce	Pioneer family – Yungaburra/Lake Eacham
Evers	Otto Lessing Evers – killed in WWI
Flegler	Henry Peter Flegler – killed in WWI
Gilbert	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine
Greening	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine
Halfpapp	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine
Hart	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Honig	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Ingram	William Joseph Ingram – killed in WWI
Jarrett	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine
Kane	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine
Kingston	Pioneer family – Barrine/Lake Barrine/Yungaburra
Lesbensen	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Maltby	Thomas Maltby – killed in WWI
McCrohan	First Hotel Owners – Kulara/Yungaburra 1880's
Redpath	George Redpath – killed in WWI
Sharp	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Sleep	Frederick James Sleep – killed in WWI
Snodgrass	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Storey	Francis and Frank Storey – killed in WWI
Sweeney	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Wedderburn	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Willicombe	Pioneer family – Lake Eacham
Woods	Pioneer family – Yungaburra
Young	Pioneer family – Yungaburra

Established theme:

- Tree names in the original town of Yungaburra

District 5 – including the localities of Herberton, Moomin & Wondecla

Name	Origin
Barratt	S Barratt – killed in WWI
Bimrose	Early Hotelier – Herberton
Bussey	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Corey	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Cumming	David Austin Cumming – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Dempsey	William Herbert Dempsey – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Donnelly	Sydney William Donnelly – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Fagan	William John Fagan – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Farrelly	SP & J Farrelly – killed in WWI
Finnigan	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Fitzgerald	Thomas Emmett Fitzgerald – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Fleming	Edwin William Fleming – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Freeman	First Nations family – Herberton
Gwynne	Local mining surveyor, 1881
Kara	Local identity, First Nations man who caught pythons at Tully Falls
Kluver	First person buried in Herberton
Ledlie	E Ledlie – killed in WWI
McBarron	Leonard John McBarron – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Munro	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Perren	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Peut	P Peut – killed in WWI
Ringrose	Herberton family
Ryle	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Smyth	CB Smyth – killed in WWII
Soutter	Richard Percival Soutter – killed in WWII, born in Herberton
Stotter	Pioneer family – Herberton/Wondecla
Sullivan	J Sullivan – killed in WWI

District 6 – including the localities of Evelyn, Millstream, Ravenshoe & Tumoulin

Name	Origin
Beckham	Pioneer family – Ravenshoe
Blakeney	Charlotte Blakeney – Pioneer family
Bryson	A Bryson – killed in WWII
Butcher	George Butcher
Curtis	A Curtis – killed in WWII
Daniel	CA Daniel – killed in WWI, from Evelyn Scrub
Erickson	N Erickson – killed in WWII
Gillespie	Pioneer family – Ravenshoe
Gribben	V Gribben – killed in WWI
Keogh	Pioneer family
Mallon	Pioneer family – Evelyn/Tumoulin
Nagel	J Nagel – killed in WWI
Paterson	J Paterson – killed in WWII
Smyth	CB Smyth – killed in WWI, from Evelyn Scrub
Weiss	H Weiss – killed in WWII
Weston	I Weston – killed in Vietnam War
Wilson	RB Wilson – killed in Vietnam War
Witherspoon	Robert Nesbit Witherspoon – First selector
Wolfe	Joseph Albert Wolfe – Ravenshoe pioneer

District 7 – including the localities of Danbulla, Kairi & Tinaroo

Name	Origin
Bakke	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Bonar	Pioneer family – Kairi
Boserio	Early farmers
Clough	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Fryer	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Greening	EJ Greening – built Kulara School in 1912
Halfpapp	Alexander Edward Halfpapp – ran Hospital kiosk Kairi/Kulara
Ingram	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Kane	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Langford	1940's Kulara landowner
Lewis	1940's Kulara landowner
Neilson	Pioneer family – Kairi
Panigas	Pioneer family – Kairi
Pennicott	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Rourke	1940's Kulara Landowner
Scott	1940's Kulara Landowner
Sherwood	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo
Stockman	Pioneer family – Kairi
Sunderland	1940's Kulara landowner
Tierney	Pioneer family – Danbulla/Tinaroo

District 8 – including the localities of Butchers Creek, Glen Allyn, Kureen, Malanda, North Johnstone, Peeramon, Topaz & Upper Barron

Name	Origin
Brennan	Pioneer family – Topaz
Bromfield	Charles Bromfield – landowner and Upper Barron pioneer
Djilan	Signs marking track – Bora ground near Butchers Creek
Doull	Pioneer family – Peeramon
Grumley	Pioneer family – Malanda
Hancock	Alfred Hugh Hancock – killed in WWII
Homenko	Pioneer family – Butchers Creek
Illin	Pioneer family – Butchers Creek
Maddog	Pioneer family – Topaz
McMahon	Pioneer family – first Peeramon teacher and Malanda newspaper correspondent
Melhuish	Pioneer family – Topaz
Pearson	Pioneer family – Peeramon
Prochoroff	Pioneer family – Butchers Creek
Shepperson	Pioneer family and ran sawmill at Topaz
Skennar	Pioneer family – Malanda
Spowart	Pioneer family – Malanda
Wakefield	Farmer – Upper Barron
Whittaker	Pioneer family – Butchers Creek

District 9 – including the localities of Beatrice, Ellinjaa, Jaggan, Middlebrook, Millaa Millaa, Minbun, Moregatta, Mungalli & Tarzali

Name	Origin
Arthur	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Ashford	LJ Ashford – killed in WWII
Attewell	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Bartlett	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Barton	Pioneer family – Jaggan
Bishop	Pioneer family – Minbun/Moregatta
Bock	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Boothman	J. Boothman – killed in WWII
Bramich	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Brownjohn	J Brownjohn – killed in WWII
Brunning	A Brunning – killed in WWII
Buckley	RT Buckley – killed in WWII, from Jaggan
Carmichael	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Cockerill	C Cockerill – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Dansie	Jack Dansie – killed in WWII
Donaghy	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Donoghue	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Farlow	HH & FG Farlow – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Gaillard	LD Gaillard – killed in WWII
Grebert	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Griffiths	Pioneer family – Minbun/Moregatta
Hannah	R Hannah – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Hubner	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Jackerman	GE Jackerman – killed in WWII
Judd	L Judd – killed in WWII, from Minbun/Millaa Millaa
Makepeace	E Makepeace – killed in WWII, from Minbun/Millaa Millaa
Mansfield	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Mears	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Nagle	J Nagle – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Oliver	Pioneer family – Jaggan
Pakenham	A Pakenham – Tarzali
Portegys	Dairy farmer in Millaa Millaa area, prominent member in Atherton Tablelands Trial Horse Riding Club
Sackley	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Sanderson	LP Sanderson – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Small	BS Small – killed in WWII, from Millaa Millaa
Sneath	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Snell	Pioneer family – Millaa Millaa
Steinhardt	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Swain	FC Swain – killed in WWII
Sweep	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Tranter	Elaine & Henry Tranter active in dairy industry and horse trial riding – Millaa Millaa
Trevenen	Pioneer family – Tarzali
Weinert	Pioneer family – Tarzali

Established theme:

- Tree names in the original town of Millaa Millaa.

Context

A local government, under section 60 of the *Local Government Act 2009* can name and number roads. All sealed, gravel, formed and unformed public roads within the TRC LGA that are regularly accessed and all roads that can be used as part of an address for a parcel of land will be assigned a name.

The Australian Standard AS/NZS 4819:2011 Rural and urban addressing informs this Policy. The following principles from this Standard have been adopted:

- Names must not be duplicated with an existing road name.
- Names must be appropriate to the physical, cultural or historical character of the area.
- The names of living people or commercial entities must not be used.
- Names must be reasonably easy to read, spell and pronounce, and must not be comprised of more than two words.

New roads must be accurately described by road type. The designation of road type will be determined by TRC. The designation of new road types shall be:

- Every blind (no through) road shall be named Court or Close or other similar name, but not Road, Street, Avenue or Crescent.
 - Court – Cul-de-sac, up to 20 lots.
 - Close – Cul-de-sac, up to 20 lots.
 - Lane – short, narrow cul-de-sac, up to three lots.
- Street – principal name designation for urban areas.
- Crescent – must have a pronounced curve in alignment, up to 75 allotments.
- Circuit – a short road closing on itself or a long meandering road coming back to the road of origin but not necessarily closing on itself, up to 75 lots.
- Avenue – must be tree lined, or proposed to be tree-lined, or within a well treed area, and be a through road.
- Parade – road of some significance and a through road.
- Terrace – road of some significance and a through road.
- Drive – trunk collector or collector road of some significance, over 75 lots, can include a no-through (blind) road.
- Esplanade – only used where the road is adjacent to a lake, river or beach.
- Road – principal name designation for major roads and roads in rural areas.
- Boulevard – collector or trunk collector road which is generally extra wide, well landscaped and likely to incorporate a central median.
- Way – arterial, sub-arterial or trunk collector road generally extra wide and incorporating a central median.

Definitions

For the purposes of this policy, the word road incorporates the common meaning of the term street.

Alignment to Risk Register

- Mitigates uncertainty in road naming conventions for new developments

Relevant Legislation

- *Local Government Act 2009*
- Australian Standard AS/NZS 4819:2011

Related Documents

- Code of Conduct
- TRC Planning Scheme

Corporate Plan Links

This policy aligns with the following Corporate Plan 2021– 26 themes:

- Our infrastructure is well planned, integrated and fit-for-purpose.
- Our organisation is progressive, efficient, transparent and collaborative.

Human Rights Commitment

Tablelands Regional Council has considered the human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* (Qld) when adopting and/or amending this policy. When applying this policy, TRC will act and make decisions in a way that is compatible with human rights.

Responsibility

Council is responsible for the adoption, amendment and repeal of this policy and the Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the development and amendment of any associated procedures and guidelines relevant to the policy.

This policy is to remain in force until otherwise amended or repealed by resolution of Council.

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