

Report to Protocol on Policy for Naming of New Housing Schemes & Developments

The approval of names for new developments is an Executive Function and not a Reserved Function.

There is some confusion among members relating to the procedure for naming of developments in Dublin City Council is as follows. It is proposed that the following protocol should be put in place across the 5 areas of the City.

- 1. Where a condition on a planning permission requires the submission of a proposed name for a new development/scheme the proposed name of a development is sent in to the Planning Department by the developer for approval.
- 2. Where necessary it will be sent to the Heritage Officer for comment.
- 3. The proposed name will be sent to the Area Committee for comment.
- 4. If the Area Committee has no comment or is in agreement the proposed name is accepted by the Planning Authority.
- 5. If the Area Committee does not agree with the proposed name the Planning Authority reverts to the developer to consider alternatives taking cognisance of any objections relating to a proposed name.
- 6. The re-submitted name is then assessed and agreed by the Planning Authority. The case is not referred again to the Area Committee.

Please note it is not the role of the Area Committee to come up with names for new developments/schemes, their only role is to comment on proposed names submitted by developers.

The naming of major infrastructure (new roads, bridges, etc.) comes under the Commemorative Naming Committee which is informed by the Policy for Commemorative Naming of Infrastructure and the Provision of Monuments, Memorials and Plaques.

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