
Report to Planning Committee

Date of Meeting: 26th October 2017

Subject: Street Naming Report for Development at Former Alva Academy (West), Alva

Report by: Principal Building Standards Surveyor

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. To decide on the name of a new street for the development at the former Alva Academy, Alva.
- 1.2. In order to assist the decision process, the report sets out the results of the consultation exercise seeking suggested names for streets at the former Alva Academy development.
- 1.3. This development consists of the erection of 42 dwellings. Part of the development can be accommodated on existing adjacent streets, Park Street and Erskine Street. Therefore, 1 new street will be required for the remainder of the development.. A location plan, Appendix 1 and a site layout plan, Appendix 2 are enclosed for ease of reference.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider the suggestions included in Appendix 3 and approve 1 new street name.

3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. The consultation and research process involved contacting the Ward Councillors, the Community Council, local schools and known heritage groups and other interested parties. A full list of the consultees' responses is enclosed at Appendix 3.
- 3.2. The Council is committed, via a Tri-Council agreement (Clackmannanshire, Falkirk and Stirling) to adopting particular street naming and numbering conventions and must therefore consider these prior to approving a street name or number. Guidance within that convention states that consideration should be given to ensure names are distinctive... *"no repeating or similar sounding names within the same scheme, development, or area. The practice of using the same name for several streets, differentiated by suffixes such as 'street', or 'road', etc, perhaps within a larger multi-street development, is not acceptable. This is to*

minimise any potential confusion that may arise in delivering services, particularly emergency service response, in areas with similar sounding street names".

3.3. Accordingly, the "officer comments" column in Appendix 3 identifies proposals that are not considered suitable relative to the guidance included within the Tri-Council Conventions.

3.4. The Royal Mail Address Development Centre will require to be consulted on any names chosen by the Committee to ensure they are acceptable to them.

4.0 Sustainability Implications

4.1. The recommendation does not have any significant implication. The consultation and research procedure ensures that community participation has been undertaken.

5.0 Resource Implications

5.1. There are no financial implications with regard to this report.

5.2. Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. Yes

5.3. There are no staffing implications with regard to this report.

6.0 Exempt Reports

6.1. Is this report exempt? Yes (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No

7.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box)

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| The area has a positive image and attracts people and businesses | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are more cohesive and inclusive | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| People are better skilled, trained and ready for learning and employment | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are safer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vulnerable people and families are supported | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Substance misuse and its effects are reduced | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Health is improving and health inequalities are reducing | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The environment is protected and enhanced for all | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| The Council is effective, efficient and recognised for excellence | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)

Tri-Council Street Naming and Numbering Conventions.

8.0 Equalities Impact

8.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?

Yes No

9.0 Legality

9.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes

10.0 Appendices

- 10.1 Appendix 1 - Location Plan
- Appendix 2 - Site Layout
- Appendix 3 - Consultee Returns

11.0 Background Papers


11.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

Yes (please list the documents below) No

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APPENDIX 2



APPENDIX 3

| CONSULTEE | SUGGESTION | SUPPORTING COMMENTS | OFFICER'S COMMENTS |
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| <p>Susan Yule – Archives & Records Management Officer</p> | <p>(1) Park Place</p> | <p>Remembering the former site of Park Place School, which was a subscription school. I have not been able to find specific dates for when the school opened and closed, but the archive holds a school log book covering the dates 1873 – 1882. The schools also appears of the Ordnance Survey map of 1900, on the corner between Queen Street and Beauclerc Street. There may have been a Park Place here previously, which informed the name of the school. There is an unmarked street to the south side of the school on the 1900 OS map which may have been Park Place.</p> | <p>(1) Conflict - Similar names already in existence in the same post code (FK12) is: Park Street</p> |
| | <p>(2) (Old) Academy</p> | <p>Remembering the former site of Alva Academy. The Primary Department building was built on this site in 1875 and the Secondary Department in 1903.</p> | <p>(2) Conflict - Similar names already in existence in the same post code (FK12) is: Academy Avenue</p> |
| | <p>(3) Law</p> | <p>Remembering the name of one of the previous school houses at Alva Academy, named after the hill “The Law” in the Ochils. The other Academy houses (and hills) are already commemorated in other street names in Alva, i.e. Cleuch Drive, Torry Drive and The Nebit.</p> | <p>(3) No conflict</p> |

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| Councillor Balsillie | (1) Park Place | Based on Park Place School which used to stand on the site. | (1) Conflict - Similar names already in existence in the same post code (FK12) is: Park Street |
| Alva Community Council | (1) Midgibee | An Alva street name from the past, suggested by an elderly Alva resident. | (1) No conflict |
| | (2) Heatherbell | An Alva street name from the past, suggested by an elderly Alva resident. | (2) No conflict |
| | (3) Drummore | Drummore comes from an 18 th Century map of the site concerned. | (3) No conflict |