
Briefing Note

Name that Street

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1.0 Background

Wainhomes is the main developer for Ten creek Farm. Their Development Manager has been in touch with the parish council and asked it to suggest street names for the new site. This process can take several months to agree (between developer, parish council, Cornwall Council and Post Office) so Wainhomes have started early.

Wainhomes are seeking to name 8 streets. The parish council can propose up to 3 names per street, so we are looking for 24 suggestions.

These notes are extracted from Cornwall Council's Street Naming Guidance Notes and set out the main rules for naming streets.

2.0 What Cornwall Council says

National guidelines there is a presumption in favour of:

- Street names that refer to local historical heritage, natural or landscape features of the local area;
- Street names in Kernewek, which are encouraged in line with the European Charter for Regional & Minority Languages (Section 2) which was ratified for Kernewek by the UK Government in 2002.
- All new street nameplates will carry both the English and Kernewek street names where an English name is proposed.

3.0 What you can and can't do

In making your choices, this will not be supported:

- Hybrid names (part Cornish, part English)
- Duplicates of similar names already in use
- Similar sounding names (eg Churchill Road, Birch Hill Road)
- Cornwall Council will normally object to the use of a name which relates directly to any personal/family name of any individuals who are either living or dead¹.

4.0 What have we done?

The deadline for submission of suggestions is Friday 13 September. On 2 September, Clerk emailed all councillors, allotments holders, school, church, Sports Association, Cricket Club, Parish Hall, Poads Trust, Merrymeet Residents Association, the 131 subscribers to our Ten creek Farm newsletter group, social media pages (X, Facebook and NextDoor). Colour posters displayed at the six parish noticeboards.

5.0 What has been the response?

We have received 45 suggestions to date.

6.0 What happens next?

¹ In exceptional circumstances, the Council will consider and/or approve the use of a personal name if the reason for this is clearly set out in the proposal and if consent for use of the name is provided in writing by the relevant Head of Service following consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member and the local Cornwall Council Member for the relevant division(s).

The Planning & Development Working Group has examined the suggestions, and use the criteria in 3.0 for their initial choices. Of the 45 names suggested, 29 do not fit the criteria that Cornwall Council lay down. These are highlighted on the list attached, together with the remaining 16 names that are suitable. At their request, Clerk has forwarded the short list to Wainhomes.

7.0 What if we disagree?

The council may reject the developers name suggestions or provide alternatives if they believe the names do not conform to the naming guidelines which CC has published.

If no agreement can be made Cornwall Council will make the final decision with the presumption being in favour of street names that most adhere to the guidelines.

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Suggestion	Reasoning
Cherry 8	Our own annual village fete (Cherry Fayre) that takes its name from fruit grown in 19th century)
Chy Wheel Honey 13	heritage local disused mine
Chy Wheel Mary-Jane	heritage local disused mine
Coldrennick 12	place in the parish
Doddyrcross	village in the parish
Ellis 6	Bernie Ellis was the CC councillor who initiated Tencreek Farm devt
Eivan 3	Blue Elvan rock was uniquely sourced at a quarry in the parish and was used as ballast for all the railways built across the county (I
Graceland 9	name of one of the fields that the development will be built on
Island Shop	village in the parish
John Lapenotiere 14	resident & heritage name (linked to Battle of Trafalgar) see the link below. VERY important in the parish!
Lower Clicker	village in the parish
Mary Ann Graves 16	resident & heritage name (wife of Lapenotiere)
Merrymeet 4	place
Pengover 4	place
Pickle 14	heritage. Officers celebrate Trafalgar Day. Rating celebrated Pickle Day. Battle of Trafalgar 1805.
Quarry 4	heritage where elvan rock was mined.
Seaton 4	river
St Lalluw 11	after the church
St Mary's 2	the church in Merrymeet
Tencreek 10	Cornish names (but duplicate name)
Trafalgar 14	heritage
note: the number after the name references the originator	
	Possibly inclusions with reasoned justification
	excluded because of CC criteria

Lapenotiere

<https://www.thetrafalgarway.org/lapenotiere-s-journey>