

## **EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 6 NOVEMBER 2003**

### **STREET NAMING: PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT OFF ROBBIESLAND DRIVE, HOLMHEAD, CUMNOCK**

#### **Report by the Depute Chief Executive/Director of Corporate Resources**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1** To request the Committee to consider and determine a name for a proposed new street to be created by a private housing development located off Robbiesland Drive, Holmhead, Cumnock.

#### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1** The Decentralisation Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 4 June 1996 agreed that the naming of streets be included within the remit of Local Committees.
- 2.2** Section 97 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 gives authority to East Ayrshire Council in relation to naming of streets and the preparation of house numbers etc.
- 2.3** The normal practice for the naming of new streets is for the local Community Council to be invited to liaise with the local Elected Member and to submit a suggestion or suggestions for consideration by the Local Committee.

#### **3. ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL**

- 3.1** It is recommended, in this case, that the normal process be set aside and that an alternative approach be adopted for the following reason. Approximately four years ago this Local Committee determined a street name for a new street which was proposed to be constructed at Drumbrochan, Cumnock, the name to be "Sullivan Wynd" in recognition of the service given to the community of Cumnock by Reverend Matthew Sullivan of the Congregational Church. However, in the event, the proposed street at Drumbrochan was never constructed and there have been no requests for street names within Cumnock between then and now and it is recommended that the name for the proposed new street at Holmhead should feature the name "Sullivan", although it may be necessary to change the word "Wynd" since the proposed new street is totally straight and could not suitably be designated as a "Wynd". Possible alternatives to "Wynd" could be "Way", "Walk" or "Place", or Members of the Committee may have other suggestions.

#### **4. CURRENT POSITION**

- 4.1** The Local Elected Member for the Holmhead area, Councillor William Crawford, has been consulted and is agreeable to the proposal set out above, as is Councillor Eric Ross, being the Local Member for the Drumbrochan area. Cumnock Community Council have been asked for their views on the proposal and it is anticipated that these can be reported at the Local Committee meeting.

#### **5. FINANCIAL/LLEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS - Nil.**

#### **6. RECOMMENDATION**

- 6.1** It is recommended that the name for the proposed new street located off Robbiesland Drive, Holmhead, Cumnock, feature the name "Sullivan", together with some other designation such as "Way", "Walk", "Place" etc., subject to any comments which may be received from Cumnock Community Council; and that the street name be determined accordingly.

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#### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

1. Procedure Note - Naming of Streets by Local Committee.
2. Local plan of area.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers relative to this report should contact Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer, on telephone number 01563 576151. Any person wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager, on telephone number 01563 576135.

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