

Street and Infrastructure Naming Standard

Development Assessment

Purpose

To establish consistent standards for the naming of streets, roads and infrastructure within the Logan City local government area.

This standard ensures names are selected, assessed, approved and recorded in a way that supports clear addressing, emergency service access, community identity, and compliance with relevant legislative and addressing requirements.

Scope

This standard applies to all new and proposed names for:

- public roads
- private roads
- streets
- infrastructure
- roads or streets that traverse the Logan City local government area boundary and fall under Council's control or require registration in Council systems

Clear and consistent naming is required to support postal services, emergency services, visitors, travellers and Council's property and geographic information systems.

Standards

General naming requirements

Street, road and infrastructure names must be selected, assessed and managed in a consistent, transparent and defensible manner.

All names must:

- support clear and unambiguous property identification;
- enable emergency services to readily locate properties;
- be suitable for long-term public use;
- be consistent with Council's addressing, mapping and property management requirements;
- comply with applicable legislation, local laws and recognised addressing standards.

Approval requirements

All new and proposed street, road and infrastructure names must be approved by Council before being formally adopted or used.

A proposed name must not be accepted unless Council is satisfied that the name complies with this standard and any relevant legislative, addressing, mapping or registration requirements.

Prohibited names

A proposed street, road or infrastructure name must not be approved if it is:

- offensive, racist, derogatory, demeaning or profane;
- the same as another street name within the relevant postcode area;
- the same as another street name in an adjoining locality;
- the same as another street name within 10 kilometres of the proposed site;
- likely to be confused with another street, road or infrastructure name due to spelling or pronunciation;
- difficult to spell or use in practice;
- a name that incorrectly includes a road type as part of the name, such as “Boulevard Street”.

Naming quality and suitability

Proposed names must be practical, clear and suitable for public addressing purposes.

Preference must be given to names that:

- are short, simple and easy to spell;
- avoid unnecessary double names or hyphenated names;
- are appropriate to the length and function of the road;
- support logical and unambiguous street numbering;
- reflect the road or street hierarchy where relevant;
- are consistent with any existing naming theme in the surrounding area.

Where possible, shorter names should be preferred, particularly for shorter roads.

First Nations and Torres Strait Islander names

Names derived from First Nations, Traditional Custodian or Torres Strait Islander sources must be local to the relevant area and endorsed by the recognised local Indigenous community.

Where a name is derived from a First Nations, Traditional Custodian or Torres Strait Islander language, the name must comply with the accepted written form of that language, where one exists.

Dual naming may be used where appropriate as a management, recognition or educational tool.

Commemorative names

Names commemorating people must be suitable for long-term public recognition and should only be used where the person has made a significant contribution to the community.

A commemorative name may be considered where the person has:

- contributed significantly to the development of the immediate locality or wider region;
- demonstrated outstanding civic service;
- achieved recognised role-model status in the wider community;
- donated property, funds or other significant benefit for community purposes.

Names of living persons should not generally be used. The use of a living person's name should only be considered in exceptional circumstances, due to the potential for community perception and acceptance to change over time.

Registration and recordkeeping

All approved street and road names must be recorded in Council's property management and geographic information systems.

Where a street or road traverses the Logan City local government area boundary, the relevant portion or relationship to the Logan City boundary must also be recorded in Council's systems where required.

External notification and system consistency

Council must ensure approved names are managed consistently across relevant internal systems and notified to relevant external bodies where required.

Naming information must be suitable for use in addressing, mapping, emergency response, property, development assessment and public information systems.

Compliance

Street, road and infrastructure naming must comply with:

- the Local Government Act 2009;
- Council's local laws and subordinate local laws;
- relevant legislative requirements;
- the Australian/New Zealand Standard for Rural and Urban Addressing, AS/NZS 4819:2011;
- any applicable Council procedures, systems or technical requirements.

Related Documents

- Rural and Urban Addressing Standard – AS/NZS 4819:2011
- Local Government Act 2009
- Queensland Location Addresses data dictionary

- Queensland Roads and Tracks data dictionary.