





Murrumbidgee
COUNCIL

Place Naming Policy (Revision 1)

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1. Purpose

To ensure a consistent and coordinated approach to road and park naming within Murrumbidgee Council, following guidelines set by the NSW Geographical Names Board and to meet the below objectives:

- i) To have clearly recognisable street names and public places
- ii) To enable easy travel within the LGA
- iii) To facilitate access to all properties by emergency vehicles
- iv) To clearly identify public places
- v) To recognise places and people with historic, scenic, sporting or cultural significance
- vi) To reduce conflict

2. Definitions

The Policy's definitions are:

Council means Murrumbidgee Council.

GNB means Geographical Names Board

3. Scope

This policy applies to all Council managed roads, open spaces and parks.

4. Policy

Murrumbidgee Council, under the Roads Act 1993, is the authority for all public roads within the Local Government boundary. As such, Council may exercise its power to name all public roads, subject to the Geographical Names Board (GNB) NSW Addressing User Manual.

The following principles will apply to naming roads:

- i) Street and public places should be named after persons or places with historic, scenic, sporting or cultural significance
- ii) Streets in Coleambally will continue with the current bird name theme
- iii) Streets with the same name should be continuous
- iv) Any existing streets with physical divisions should have sections renamed only following public consultation and consideration of submissions
- v) The section of the street with the most properties should retain the existing name
- vi) Streets in new subdivisions will be named by Council following developer input
- vii) Public places will be named by Council after seeking community input

Where a request is received to rename a road, consideration will only be given in exceptional circumstances, and where doing so will comply with GNB Guidelines.

Determination will be made on an individual basis and without precedent.

Regardless of the nature and origin of a naming or renaming request, the naming of public roads and parks shall only be approved by way of adoption of a resolution of Council.

The following standards are to be followed when erecting street signs:

- i) Clearly visible street signs are to be erected in accordance with the relevant standards
- ii) Other public places are to be clearly identified at a compatible standard dependent on the specific conditions of the site
- iii) Road signs are to be erected in accordance with the relevant standards

5. Legislation and Compliance

- *The Roads Act 1993 - Section 162* - provides the authority for the naming of roads
- Roads (General) Regulation 2000
- AS/NZS 4819:2003 Geographic Information – Rural and Urban Addressing

6. Related Documents

- Geographical Names Board NSW Addressing User Manual
- Geographical Names Board NSW Online Road Naming System – Road Naming Authority User Guide

7. Policy Review

This Policy:

- To be reviewed within the first year of the new Council term;
- May be reviewed and amended at any time at Council's discretion (or if legislative or State Government policy changes occur).