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Attention: Manjeet Kaur

Dear Manjeet

Thank you for forwarding the reply from local Iwi.


After discussing these with colleagues and our consultants we have come to the view that this would terribly digress from the theme and direction that Woodridge has had for 25 years.

Woodridge has created its own identity over a long period and certain uniqueness such as street names are large contributing factors.

Particularly in this stage of the development we are increasing our efforts on streetscape design and extensive planting compared to other residential areas which will complement the Woodridge theme.

After reviewing the names again Red beech, Lacebark and Tea Tree and comparing them to existing Woodridge names we believe that they blend in with this theme completely.

Kind Regards



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Dear Manjeet,

Woodridge Street Names

History

Street names currently in use within Woodridge.

Woodridge Drive
Glenwood Grove
Fernwood Court
Kentwood Drive
Northwood Close
Pepper Tree Lane
Ashwood Street
Cedarwood Street
Pigeonwood Lane
Cabbage Tree Grove
White Pine Avenue
Black Pine Road
Silver Pine Avenue

The three proposed street names are:

Red Beech Avenue
Tea Tree Lane
Lacebark Lane

Themes

Groups of streets in one area are often named using a particular theme. This occurs both within New Zealand and internationally.

Woodridge, like many subdivisions in New Zealand, has adhered to a theme with regard to the naming of streets for the past 25 years. The theme gives the subdivision a unique identity and has many advantages, making home locations readily identifiable not only for home owners and their guests, but also for emergency responders. It is hoped that in time, intuitively, Wellingtonian's will associated these tree related names to Woodridge.

As owners and developers of the land we have always to date been responsible for

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naming the streets in our subdivision. While searching for names fitting in with the overall theme is important, it is also essential that the street names we choose must be easy to spell and pronounce, and are not the same or sound similar to any existing street names.

Natives

Whilst to date the names have all had a wood/tree theme the decision has been made with these latest street name choices to ensure that the tree names used are all New Zealand natives. Below is a brief description of each tree.

Red Beech

Nothofagus fusca (New Zealand Red Beech) is a species of *Nothofagus*, endemic to New Zealand, where it occurs on both the North Island and South Island. Generally it is found on lower hills and inland valley floors where soil is fertile and well drained. It is a medium-sized evergreen tree growing to 35 m tall. The leaves are alternately arranged, broad ovoid, 2 to 4 cm long and 1.5 to 3 cm broad, the margin distinctively double-toothed with each lobe bearing two teeth. The fruit is a small cupule containing three seeds.

Lacebark

Hoheria is a genus of six species of flowering plants in the family Malvaceae. All are endemic to New Zealand and the Kermadec Islands. The genus name is a Latinization of the Māori language name, *Houhere*. That name, as well as Lacebark and Ribbonwood, are sometimes used as common names.

Hoheria are evergreen large shrubs or small trees growing to 6 to 10 m tall, bearing large quantities of 5-petalled, white flowers in summer or autumn and therefore are of interest to horticulturalists..

Tea Tree

Leptospermum scoparium (Manuka or Tea tree or just *Leptospermum*) is a shrub or small tree native to New Zealand. It is found throughout New Zealand but is particularly common on the drier east coasts of the North Island and the South Island. Manuka (from Māori 'mānuka') is the common name used along with 'Jelly Bush' and 'Tea Tree'. This name arose because Captain Cook used the leaves to make a 'tea' drink. The wood is tough and hard, and was often used for tool handles. Tea Tree sawdust imparts a delicious flavour when used for smoking meats and fish.

Conclusion

Whilst we have considered the alternative names suggested, this would not be in keeping with the recognizable identity we are trying to create at Woodridge.

Regards



Wayne Wright
Manager