



Subject:	Proposal for naming of new streets
Date:	11th August, 2015
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of report or summary of main issues
1.1	To consider applications for the naming of new streets in the City.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	Based on the information presented the Committee is required to make a recommendation in respect of the applications for the new street names to either: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grant the applications, or• Refuse the applications and request that the applicant submits another name for consideration.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> The power for the Council to name streets is contained in Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1995.
3.2	Members are asked to consider the following applications for naming new streets in the

City. The application particulars are in order and the Royal Mail has no objections to the proposed names. The proposed new names are not contained in the Council's Streets Register and do not duplicate existing approved street names in the City.

Proposed Name	Location	Applicant
Girdwood Avenue	Off Kinnaird Street, BT14	Department for Social Development
Girdwood Way	Off proposed Girdwood Avenue, BT14	Department for Social Development
O'Neills Lane	Off Westrock Drive / Brittons Parade, BT12	Apex Housing
Cantrell Close	Off Ravenhill Avenue, BT5	Hamilton Architects

3.3 Mr George Wasson has made the Girdwood applications on behalf of the Department for Social Development (DSD) and the names are proposed after the army barracks which were located on this site for a number of years. The names Girdwood Avenue and Girdwood Way were chosen by a local community forum which has representation from the DSD, Belfast City Council and local community groups.

3.4 Members will recall that, at your meeting of 12 May 2015, the Committee considered an application from Apex Housing Association to name the new street off Westrock Drive / Brittons Parade as Corrigan Heights but this was rejected and the developer was asked to submit a further proposed name.

3.5 Apex Housing has now made a new application and the name of O'Neills Lane has been submitted along with a second preference of O'Neills Park and a third preference of O'Neills Avenue.

3.6 Whilst Apex initially suggested O'Neills Lonnán as the new street name Lonnán cannot be accepted. Under the Order street names must be in English and Lonnán is an Ulster Scots word meaning lane, way or path. We are advised that the name O'Neill is connected to the local history of the area in that it is derived from Dan O'Neill's Loanen, a name describing the track of land running from Brittons Parade to Springfield Road which goes back to the late eighteenth or early nineteenth century. Dan O'Neill was a gamekeeper for William Sinclair, a local landowner who owned the Glenalina Bleaching greens in the 1860s. Clearly an important local figure in the area as part of what is now the Whiterock

	Road was originally Sinclair's Loanen.
3.7	Hamilton Architects have advised that Cantrell Close was selected after the Cantrell and Cochrane lemonade factory that was situated on the corner of Millar Street and Ravenhill Avenue adjacent to the new development.
3.8	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u> There are no Financial, Human Resources, Assets and other implications in this report.
3.9	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u> There are no direct Equality implications.
4.0	Appendices
	None