



Subject:	Proposal for naming new streets
Date:	9th April 2024
Reporting Officer:	Kate Bentley, Director of Planning and Building Control
Contact Officer:	Ian Harper, Building Control Manager, ext. 2430 Roisin Adams, Property and Legal Coordinator, ext. 2454

Restricted Reports	
Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Please indicate the description, as listed in Schedule 6, of the exempt information by virtue of which the council has deemed this report restricted.	
Insert number <input type="checkbox"/>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Information relating to any individual,2. Information likely to reveal the identity of an individual,3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the council holding that information)4. Information in connection with any labour relations matter5. Information in relation to which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained,6. Information showing that the council proposes to (a) to give a notice imposing restrictions on a person; or (b) to make an order or direction,7. Information on any action in relation to the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.	
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sometime in the future	<input type="checkbox"/>
Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues												
1.1	To consider applications for the naming of five new streets in the city.												
2.0	Recommendation												
2.1	<p>Based on the information presented, the Committee is required to make a recommendation in respect of applications for naming five new streets in the city: Blackthorn Place, Blackthorn Grove, Blackthorn Crescent, Black Ridge Drive and Black Ridge Grange</p> <p>The Committee may either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant the applications, or • Refuse the applications and request that the applicants submit other names for consideration. 												
3.0	Main Report												
3.1	<p><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.</p>												
3.2	<p>Members are asked to consider the following applications for naming new streets in the city. The applications 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.</p>												
3.3	<p><u>Blackthorn streets</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="333 1133 1399 1373"> <thead> <tr> <th>Proposed Name</th> <th>Location</th> <th>Applicant</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Blackthorn Place</td> <td>Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area</td> <td>The McGinnis Group</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blackthorn Grove</td> <td>Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area</td> <td>The McGinnis Group</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Blackthorn Crescent</td> <td>Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area</td> <td>The McGinnis Group</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Proposed Name	Location	Applicant	Blackthorn Place	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group	Blackthorn Grove	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group	Blackthorn Crescent	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group
Proposed Name	Location	Applicant											
Blackthorn Place	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group											
Blackthorn Grove	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group											
Blackthorn Crescent	Off Monagh By Pass, BT12 area	The McGinnis Group											
3.4	<p>The McGinnis Group are developing a vacant site at the base of Divis and Black Mountain. The site includes three new streets with a total of 122 residential properties.</p>												
3.5	<p>The developer is proposing Blackthorn Place, Blackthorn Grove and Blackthorn Crescent as their first choice for the three new streets as the area was historically open lands and the blackthorn bush is found in the hedgerows and scrub within the boundary of the site. The site is also opposite the entrance to Gort na Mona GAC and close to Gortnamona Way. The developer has also taken inspiration from a poem, Gortnamona by William Percy French, that makes reference to the Blackthorn tree.</p>												
3.6	<p>The second choice street names proposed by the developer are Skylark Place, Skylark Grove and Skylark Crescent because of the skylark, whose natural habitat is on the site of the new development.</p>												
3.7	<p>The third choice for the new street names is Greensward Place, Greensward Grove and Greensward Crescent as Greensward is another name for turf and the surrounding area of the development contained turf according to the historic maps.</p>												

Black Ridge streets

3.8

Proposed Name	Location	Applicant
Black Ridge Drive	Off Monagh By Pass, BT11	Apex Housing Association
Black Ridge Grange	Off Monagh By Pass, BT11	Apex Housing Association

3.9

Apex Housing Association have advised that Black Ridge Drive and Black Ridge Grange are derived from Divis (from Irish Dubhais 'black ridge'). The Divis mountain is situated north of the development.

3.10

The second and third choices for Black Ridge Drive are Black Ridge Avenue and Black Ridge Parade. The second and third choices for Black Ridge Grange are Black Ridge Lane and Black Ridge Mews.

3.11

These streets contain 94 residential properties and are part of the overall housing development that is known as Glenmona. The entire Glenmona site is a new mixed use urban development which will contain over 650 social and affordable homes.

3.12

Applications for the erection of dual language street signs have been received from the developer for these two streets. Members are asked to note that at the March People and Communities Committee it was agreed, subject to Council ratification on 8th April 2024, that delegated authority be given to the City Solicitor in relation to the approval of the erection of dual language street nameplates for this development.

3.13

Financial and Resource Implications

There are no Financial, Human Resources, Assets and other implications in this report.

3.14

Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment

There are no direct Equality implications.

4.0

Appendices

None