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**Democratic Services Section
Legal and Civic Services Department
Belfast City Council
City Hall
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8th January, 2024

MEETING OF PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Dear Alderman/Councillor,

In addition to those matters previously notified to you, the following item(s) will also be considered at the meeting to be held at 5.15 pm on Tuesday, 9th January, 2024.

Yours faithfully,

John Walsh

Chief Executive

AGENDA:

5. Operational Issues

- (g) Proposal for naming new streets (Pages 1 - 4)

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Subject:	Proposal for naming new streets
Date:	9 th January, 2023
Reporting Officer:	Kate Bentley, Director of Planning and Building Control
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After Council Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in

Is the decision eligible for Call-in? Yes No

1.0	Purpose of Report/Summary of Main Issues
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1.1	To consider applications for the naming of three 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 three new streets in the city. The Committee may either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant the applications for naming of new streets, or • Refuse the applications and request that the applicants submit other names for consideration. 												
3.0	Main Report												
	<u>Key Issues</u>												
3.1	The power for the Council to name streets is contained in Article 11 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (NI) Order 1995.												
3.2	<p><u>Naming of new streets</u></p> <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>												
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3.4	Apex Housing Association have advised that Black Ridge Gardens, Black Ridge Way and Black Ridge Heights are derived from Divis (from Irish Dubhais, 'black ridge'). The Divis mountain is situated north of the development.												
3.5	The second and third proposals for Black Ridge Gardens are Black Ridge Park and Black Ridge Meadows and for Black Ridge Way the second and third choice are Black Ridge Road and Black Ridge Link. The second and third choice for Black Ridge Heights is, Black Ridge Meadows and Black Ridge Green.												
3.6	These streets contain 60 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.												

3.7	In support of their application Apex have advised that they have maintained regular communication and productive community engagement with both local councillors and the community group, Upper Springfield Development Trust. St Teresa's Primary School is located next to the southern boundary of the site and Apex worked with the school Principal and, with the assistance of a local historian, they organised a competition involving Primary 6 pupils for the street naming of the site.
3.8	The developer has also applied to erect dual language street nameplates in Irish. Some further advice from counsel has been sought in relation to how these types of applications are processed. However, the developer has advised that they require the applications for the English street names to be brought forward this month for addressing and wayfinding purposes. The dual language aspect of these applications will be brought to the February Committee meeting for consideration.
3.9	<p><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>There are no Financial, Human Resources, Assets and other implications in this report.</p>
3.10	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no direct Equality implications.</p>
4.0	Appendices
	None

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