READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

TO: Planning Applications Committee

DATE: 1st March 2023

TITLE: Street Name assignment at Station Hill development

SERVICE: GI & Business WARDS: Abbey

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1. PURPOSE AND SUMMARY OF REPORT

1.1 To identify proposed names for the development site detailed below and for Committee to select the name to be assigned.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 The Committee select the street name from the table set out at 4.3 of this report.
- 2.1.1 If Committee consider this name unacceptable, alternative names should be put forward along with building address suggestions and a discussion with the developer will need to take place. It will then need to come back to a future planning committee for a decision.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The development is located in central Reading, off Station Hill. This is a high-profile development for Reading.
- 3.2 A new building is being constructed as part of the above development. The developers chose a name for the building; "One Station Hill", but this is not available for them as that address is already assigned and in use. We have been in discussion with the developers and believe a mutually acceptable solution would be to name the new pedestrian pathway around the development "Station Hill Square", with the new building address being "1, Station Hill Square".
- 3.3 During the consultation, Councillors Lovelock, Page & Rowland expressed that they are happy with the name "Station Hill Square".

3.4 A plan of the site detailing the street layout is attached at Appendix 1.

4. THE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 That Committee approve the name suggested for the new street.
- 4.2 If Committee consider this name unacceptable, alternative names should be put forward along with building address suggestions and a discussion with the developer will need to take place. It will then need to come back to a future planning committee for a decision.

4.3

Name	Reason for suggestion	Ward	Site	Source
Station Hill Square	Developers require the development to be number 1, so have suggested "Station Hill Square" as the street name. Number 1 Station Hill is already in use, so not available.	Abbey	Site of former Garrard Street Multi Storey car park (Station Hill Development).	Developer

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None directly from this report.

6 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

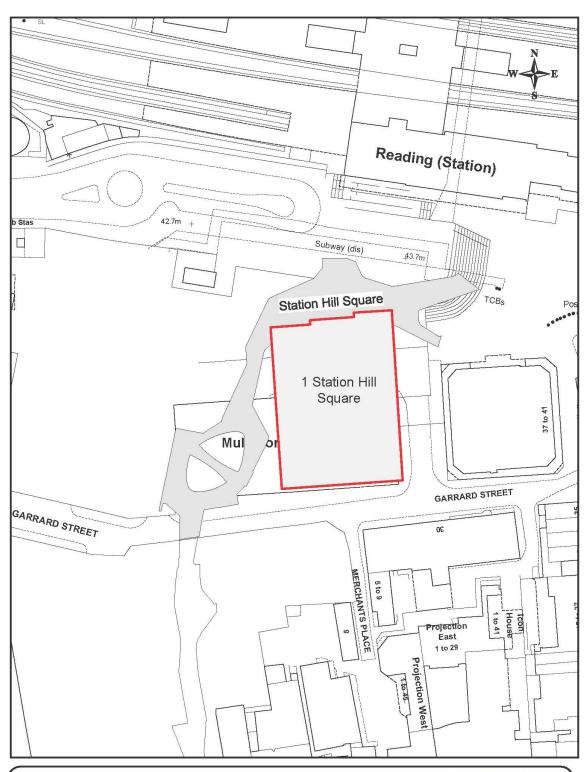
6.1 The creation of street names should follow the guidelines detailed in the "Data Entry Conventions and Best Practice for the National Land and Property Gazetteer", a reference manual based on Property Addressing Standard BS7666:2006 Parts 1 & 2.

7. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

- 7.1 Having street names that either commemorate people of local interest or who have contributed to Reading or that reflect local characteristics or provide a sense of place can encourage civic pride and interest for thriving local communities as identified as one of the themes of the Council's Corporate Plan:
 - 1. Healthy Environments
 - 2. Thriving Communities
 - 3. Inclusive Economy

8. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

8.1 Members of the public can contribute to street naming process.





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