

# Planning Applications Committee

26 June 2024



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| <b>Title</b>                 | Street Name assignment for development off Vastern Road   |
| <b>Purpose of the report</b> | To make a decision  |
| <b>Report status</b>         | Public report   |
| <b>Report author</b>         | Heather Porter, Data and GIS Manager (Data Intelligence and Policy)   |
| <b>Lead councillor</b>       | Councillor Micky Leng, Lead Councillor for Planning and Assets  |
| <b>Corporate priority</b>    | Our Foundations   |
| <b>Recommendations</b>       | <p>The Committee is asked:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To approve the street name of Bet Tickner Way as set out at 3.1 of this report.</li><li>2. In the event that the proposed name is considered not suitable Committee are asked to select a name from the Street Names Proposals list at Appendix 2, as previously approved by Committee.</li></ol> |

## 1. Purpose of report

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

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The development is located off Vastern Road, adjacent to the SSE substation. There is to be demolition of the existing building on the site and 209 units to be constructed. Committee are asked to approve one street name to be reserved for the development.
- 2.2 At Planning Application Committee Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024 proposed name options were rejected by the Committee, and an alternative name was proposed by Councillor Davies, following consultation with the other Thames Ward Councillors. As this name needed to be checked for suitability it was not possible to approve the name at that meeting.
- 2.3 Following checks by the Data and GIS Team, it has been confirmed that the new proposed street name was suitable.
- 2.4 A plan of the site detailing the road layout is attached in Appendix 1.

### 3. Proposed name

#### 3.1 Table of Proposed Names

| Name            | Reason for name                                  | Ward   | Site         | Source            |
|-----------------|--|--------|--------------|-------------------|
| Bet Tickner Way | After former Councillor and Mayor - Bet Tickner. | Thames | Vastern Road | Councillor Davies |

### 4. Contribution to strategic aims

4.1 Street Naming and Numbering falls under the Council's "Our Foundations" corporate theme. Street Naming and Numbering data is a foundational part of our digital transformation; producing high quality, authoritative reference datasets which can be used across the Council's services provides a high level of confidence in our products and outputs across our community.

### 5. Community engagement

5.1 No community engagement activities are required for these proposals.

### 6. Equality impact assessment

6.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, Section 149, a public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

6.2 In terms of the key equalities protected characteristics, it is considered that the proposed changes would not have adverse impacts.

### 7. Environmental and climate implications

7.1 The Council declared a Climate Emergency at its meeting on 26 February 2019 (Minute 48 refers).

7.2 The Planning & Building Control and Planning Policy Services play a key part in mitigating impacts and adapting building techniques using adopted policies to encourage developers to build and use properties responsibly, making efficient use of land, using sustainable materials and building methods.

### 8. Legal implications

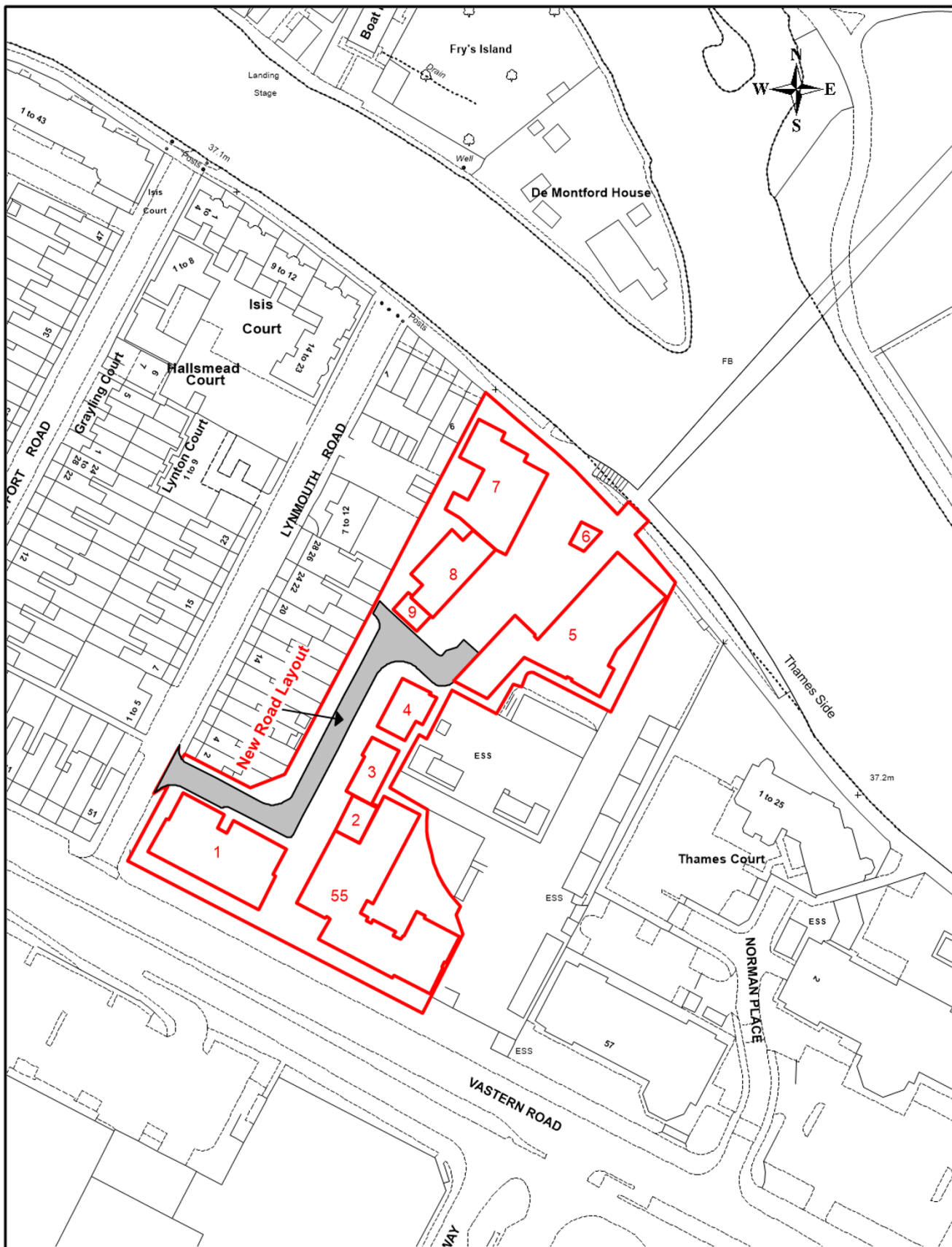
8.1 There are no legal implications arising from the proposals in the consultation.

8.2 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.

### 9. Financial Implications

9.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

# Appendix 1- Vastern Road Development



Title: Street Naming and Numbering.  
Vastern Road Development, Reading.

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## Appendix 2 – Approved Street List

| Street Name | Reason for suggestion   | Preferred area / site              |
|-------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Alderney    | Channel Island  | None specified                     |
| Ambleside   | A place in the lake district  | Kentwood                           |
| Arlington   | Random selection  | West Reading                       |
| Barnes      | David Barnes was a firefighter who dies at an accident at Elgar Road, Reading in 1977   | Caversham or Tilehurst             |
| Belvedere   | Victorian name for a viewing point on a tall building   | None specified                     |
| Braunston   | UK place name and canal junction  | None specified                     |
| Brecon      | A Welsh town  | Bugs Bottom / Caversham            |
| Buckler     | Derek Buckler, and Bucklers Of Reading Car company. 1947 - 1964 at 67 Caversham Road  | Caversham Road / Caversham Heights |
| Burns       | 2001 World Rally Champion who died in 2005, aged 34.  | None specified                     |
| Byron       | Poet  | None specified                     |
| Coppell     | Former Reading Football Manager   | None specified                     |
| Curtis      | Geoff Curtis, Reading Racers Speedway in 1973, part of the British League Division One Championship team. Killed in Sydney on 5th Dec 1973, 40 years anniversary in 2013. | None specified                     |
| Day         | Jim Day was a Tilehurst councillor on both County and Borough councils for nearly 40 years, serving twice as Mayor of Reading and once as Chair of the County Council.    | None specified                     |
| Depass      | Harvey DePass, Reading's first Community Relations Officer  | Caversham                          |
| Dundas      | Canadian town name  | None specified                     |
| Dunelm      | Abbreviation of a latin word  | None specified                     |
| Eastwood    | Random selection  | None specified                     |
| Elgin       | Scottish town name  | None specified                     |
| Erith       | Riverside town name in Bexley Borough London  | None specified                     |
| Falcon      | Name of a bird  | None specified                     |
| Festival    | 40+ years of Reading Festival   | None specified                     |
| Flint       | Old Reading street name - lost during building of civic centre & IDR  | Katesgrove                         |
| Flower      | Random selection  | None specified                     |
| Gardener    | Random selection  | None specified                     |

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|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Garland            | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Gold               | Mineral theme   | None specified               |
| Goldsmith          | Neil Goldsmith was a firefighter who dies at an accident at Elgar Road, Reading in 1977   | None specified               |
| Guernsey           | Channel Island  | None specified               |
| Hampshire          | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Hampton            | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Hanley             | Jim Hanley was a Reading Councillor for Whitley Ward, and Chair of Planning Committee.  | Whitley                      |
| Harwich            | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Hope               | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Humber             | Named after British naval vessel  | None specified               |
| Iron               | Mineral theme   | Katesgrove                   |
| Ivory              | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Jersey             | Channel Island  | None specified               |
| Jones              | Selwyn Jones was one of the founders of the annual Reading Pride festival and a well-known teacher and Youth Worker in Reading and West Berkshire who passed away in December 2015. | None specified               |
| Jonsson            | Per Jonsson. Reading speedway team and World Champion.  | Whitley                      |
| Kennedy            | Phil Kennedy, BBC Radio Berkshire presenter   | None specified               |
| Knox               | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Larose             | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Ledger             | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Leicester          | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Limerick           | Celebrating Reading's Irish community.  | None specified               |
| Madejski           | John Madejski - Reading Football Club owner   | None specified               |
| Margate            | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Matrix             | Former Reading nightclub  | None specified               |
| Michanek           | Anders Michanek. Reading speedway team and World Champion.  | Whitley                      |
| Monarch            | Random selection  | None specified               |
| Norwich            | Random selection  | None specified               |

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| Nottingham         | Random selection   | None specified               |
| Nuneaton           | Random selection   | None specified               |
| Oban               | Random selection   | None specified               |
| Pantry             | Peoples Pantry restaurant, badly damaged by a bomber on 10th February 1943. 41 people killed and 49 injured. | None specified               |
| Peach              | Andrew Peach, BBC Radio Berkshire presenter  | None specified               |
| Price              | Candle-maker   | None specified               |
| Pyeatt             | Reading Speedway rider from 1981/82 who was killed in July 1982.   | None specified               |
| Ransome            | Make of steam engine used locally  | Worton Grange                |
| Redway             | Bernard Redway, Poet, Athlete, expeditioner and mountaineer.   | None specified               |
| Rowland            | Unknown reason   | None specified               |
| Sangar             | Sangar is a type of look out tower.  | Brock Barracks               |
| Sark               | Channel Island   | None specified               |
| Saunderson         | Make of tractor once used locally  | Worton Grange                |
| Saxon              | Anglo-Saxon tribe, Readingas, who settled the area.  | None specified               |
| Sprott             | Michael Sprott is the former British and Commonwealth Heavyweight champion from Reading.                     | None specified               |
| Stephenson         | Steam engine designer  | None specified               |
| Steve Death        | Steven Victor Death, former Reading Football Goalkeeper  | None specified               |
| Tallow             | A form of lubricant once made locally  | None specified               |
| Thompson           | Make of steam engine used locally  | Worton Grange                |
| Thornycroft        | Historic firm formerly based on the bank of the Thames   | None specified               |
| Tilley             | Historic type of oil lamp  | None specified               |
| Ufton              | Local village  | None specified               |
| Ullapool           | Scottish town  | None specified               |
| Vickers            | Aircraft manufacturer  | None specified               |
| Viking             | Norse warriors   | None specified               |
| Vulcan             | Royal Airforce Bomber  | None specified               |

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| Walford            | Senior medical officer of the Reading Union  | Former Battle Hospital Area  |
| Watkins            | Professor Derek Watkins, Reading pupil, cancer survivor, trumpet player and trumpet designer. Went to school in Whitley. | Whitley                      |
| Westray            | Scottish island  | None specified               |
| Whitchuch          | Local village  | None specified               |
| Yateley            | Local village  | None specified               |
| Yattendon          | Local village  | None specified               |
| Zenith             | Random selection   | None specified               |