

Attach 2 – Assessment Against the Naming Rules

TABLE 1: Analysis of proposal against Naming Principles – Proposed name of Mary Wicks Park for a reserve located at 60-100 Harker Street Sunbury	
Principle (A) Ensuring public safety.	Comment The formal naming of this unofficially named reserve will enhance public safety by providing a more easily identifiable location for emergency services and visitors to the reserve. There reserve may be known unofficially by the local community as Sunbury Park, but the extent of this, and the local community's willingness to support a change of name if this is the case, can be ascertained via community consultation.
Principle (B) Recognising the public interest.	Comment Hume City Council's Place Names Policy states that Council acknowledges inequity in the naming of places and it is committed to work towards equity in place naming in relation to gender, traditional owner names and languages and names and languages which reflect Hume City's modern multicultural society For this reasons this naming proposal is viewed as being of a long-term benefit to the local community.
Principle (C) Linking the name to the place.	Comment The application establishes a strong link to place. Mary Wicks OAM lived in Harker Street for over 50 years. The application states that 'many a family dog was walked in the park and mum particularly enjoyed the social aspect of this in her later years' and 'Whilst towards the end of her life mum was limited by her mobility, one of her greatest joys was opening the blinds every morning and looking out over the park'. The application also establishes a strong link between Mary Wicks OAM and the Sunbury community in which she was a volunteer, member, office bearer and fundraiser for many organisations and groups.
Principle (D) Ensuring names are not duplicated.	Comment A search in VICNAMES revealed no duplication of the name 'Mary Wicks Park' within a 15 km radius of the location.
Principle (E) Recognition and use of Traditional Owner languages.	Comment Not applicable for this naming proposal.
Principle (F) Names must not discriminate or be offensive.	Comment The proposed name does not discriminate and it is not offensive.
Principle (G) Gender equality.	Comment This naming proposal supports the principle of gender equality in place naming.
Principle (H) Dual names.	Comment Not applicable

Principle (I) Using commemorative names.	Comment This naming proposal is for a commemorative name and all applicable elements of this principle are met in the application.
Principle (J) Using commercial and business names	Comment Not applicable
Principle (K) Language	Comment The proposed name complies with the requirements set out in this principle.
Principle (L) Directional names to be avoided	Comment Not applicable
Principle (M) Assigning extent to a road, feature, or locality	Comment Not applicable