



SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Dear Councillors

Your attendance is hereby requested at the Special Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Southern Downs Regional Council, 64 Fitzroy Street, Warwick on **Monday, 5 August 2019** at **9:00AM**.

Notice is hereby given of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

David Keenan

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2 August 2019

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 Southern Downs REGIONAL COUNCIL	Report To: Special Council Meeting	
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Recommendation

THAT Council select “Coombes Bridge” as the name for the new foot bridge on Park Road, Warwick.

Report

Council has recently constructed a new foot bridge on Park Road, Warwick.

On the 6 July 2019 Council called on the community to suggest a name for the new bridge with submissions closing on Monday, 15 July 2019. Additional submissions were received after the closing date, and were accepted and have been included in this report.

Council received 15 submissions for a new name. Copies of the submissions are attached.

The names that were submitted are as follows:

- “Coombes Bridge: – in recognition of Linda Coombes for her volunteer work for the local community, bringing Parkrun to Warwick and supervising the district Parkrun.
- “Jamie Mackenzie Bridge” – a most fitting memorial to him and his love for the region.
- “Graham Buchner Bridge” – for his ongoing commitment and passion for both the community and road safety in our region.
- “River Walk Bridge” – relevant to what and where it is.

Budget Implications

The cost to erect signs is estimated to be \$400.00, which can be funded from the bridge budget.

Policy Consideration

Nil

Community Engagement

On the 6 July 2019 Council called on the community to suggest a name for the new bridge with submissions closing on Monday, 15 July 2019

Legislation/Local Law

Nil

Options

1. Select "Coombes Bridge" as the name for the new foot bridge on Park Road, Warwick.
2. Select one of the other names submitted.
3. Choose not to name the bridge.

Attachments

1. Submissions for Coombes Bridge [↓](#)
2. Submission for Jamie Mackenzie Bridge [↓](#)
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To: General Enquiries
Subject: ARC BRIDGE

I would like to suggest the name Coombes Bridge, in honour of Linda Coombes and all the volunteer work she has done in the local community and the larger district, bringing Parkrun to Warwick and taking on the role of supervising the district Parkrun, creating a healthier and welcoming community.

Laurel Hughes

I would like to nominate Linda Coombes. She was the driving force in starting up parkrun in Warwick and it would be lovely gesture to recognise her continued support of the parkrun family. The bridge will be part of the course and will be crossed twice by all parkrunners every Saturday morning.

Cheers

Jill Yeaman

I support naming the new bridge after Linda Coombes. This is in recognition of her efforts in starting up parkrun in Warwick and many other local towns.
The bridge will become part of the parkrun circuit and be used by runners for many years to come.

Regards

Bob Mundy

I am writing with regards to nominating names for the new footbridge.

I have been asked by many local parkrunners to nominate LINDA COOMBES for her community service. For over 6 years she has dedicated her time on a weekly basis to ensure the set up and continuation of parkrun in Warwick, while supporting other new local parkruns start up. This is a totally free, volunteer event which originated in England over 10 years ago.

If you require any further information please let me know.

Thanking you
Tara Wakefield

I'd just like to add my weight to naming the new footbridge the "Linda Coombes bridge" in recognition of Linda's substantial contributions to recreation and the community.
Thanks for listening, Jason Elliott.

I received a message from Bob Mundy today advising that there has been suggestion of naming the new weir bridge in Warwick after Linda Coombes, in recognition of her contribution to Warwick parkrun which uses the course every Saturday. As a previous Warwick resident of 10 years, Warwick parkrun team member and participant I would support this nomination if this is the case. Linda has made a consistent and quiet contribution to the physical and mental health of people in Warwick through her work and volunteering with parkrun.

Thank you for your consideration and I'm happy to be contacted if any further information is required.

Many thanks
Sonja Pohlman

Hi

I have heard several people suggest naming the bridge at the weir after Linda Coombes. It seems pretty fitting with all the work she does for parkrun and the fact that parkrun runs over the bridge. So this is me adding my vote to name it after her.

Thanks
Rebecca Shuptrine

I would like to add my vote to name the new foot bridge Linda Coombs.
Linda has worked tirelessly to promote Parkrun and the use of the beautiful River walk.
Thank you
Carol Atkinson.

To whom it may concern

I would like to put forward Linda combes for the bridge to be named after for her vision and hard work to start and build parkrun Warwick as a great community event.

This event has been great for the Warwick community and her work continues to inspire other communities to start up parkrun initiatives.

I believe naming the bridge after her would be a very good way to recognise her work with the Warwick community.

Thanks Darren Shuptrine

Sent from Outlook

Hello, I understand that you are looking for nominations for Bridge name.
It would be nice to name it after a prominent local who is indicative of the spirit of Warwick.
I would like to nominate Linda Coombs, she welcomes new people to Warwick, as a child health nurse she has helped thousands of women and babies.
She got parkrun up and running in Warwick as well as volunteer RD.

Regards
Karen Welsh

I wish to submit a request that the new bridge at Park Road be named in honour of Linda Combes who was one on the founders of Warwick parkrun.

Parkrun Warwick held its 300 run a few weeks ago and celebrates its six birthday in September. This totally free event encourages people of all ages to become active, through either running or walking or a combination thereof, our 5km course. It give them a purpose to get out of bed each Saturday morning and exercise, to help tackle the obesity problem that exists in society, but also provides them with a social outlet where they can come and meet new people. It is totally welcoming of people of all ages and levels of fitness.

Parkrun also attracts new people to town as there is often visitors from other towns who come and run our course. These people love our mostly flat course which takes us round our river. Most compliment our course and having this new bridge increases the safety of our course for both our runners, and also the general public who use this path.

Linda is currently a Territory, Event and Run Director for Parkrun which involves her looking after numerous Parkrun's all of which are voluntary roles.

I strongly believe that this bridge should be named after someone that has given something to sport in the area, given its location. And by that I mean someone who has given their time voluntarily, who deserves recognition not someone who has been paid ie current or former councillors as I have seen nominated.

This is a community area and thus should be named after someone from the community that has contributed voluntarily their time and effort for the benefit of our region.

Thanks for your time.

Justin Nolan

Sent: Thursday, 11 July 2019 3:16 PM
To: General Enquiries
Subject: Arc Bridge Park Road

I'd like to submit a name suggestion for the arc bridge on Park Road: Cr Jamie McKenzie

Jamie loved the region so much and that came across in every meeting I had with him. He was the ONLY councillor who took a keen interest in the Cheerabah proposed development and the impact on the spotted tailed quoll there - which is how I first met Jamie when I began research into the development, the impact, and began a petition to put a stop to the likely destruction of the stronghold population. He was passionate about the region not just his home of Killarney. He was one of very few councillors I saw at just about EVERY event in the area. He was always available for a chat. He would regularly call me to touch base with what had been happening in the region. If he had seen me comment on someone online he would ring to talk about it. He was devoted not just to the region but the people in it.

Given the difficult circumstances around his passing, I think it would be a most fitting memorial to him and his love for the region, and the least we could do.

Cheers

Lyn Prowse-Bishop

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Nomination for naming the Park Road Pedestrian Bridge

I hereby submit this nomination, to name the Park Road Bridge "Graham Buchner Bridge"

This bridge has been built for the community, and in particular to ensure the safety of the community. For many years Graham has showed ongoing commitment and passion, for both the community and road safety, in our region. He is a well-known, and highly regarded Citizen of Warwick.

In recent years Graham has been described as a "Warwick Institution", a selfless person who always puts Warwick first. He has had a long involvement with the community and continues to support and volunteer for several community organisations.

Graham has volunteered his time in the following ways:

- Since 1991 he has dedicated numerous hours, to slashing the grass on the sides of the major roads in and out of Warwick, with his own equipment, to keep them clean and tidy, ensuring that Warwick looks good for locals and visitors to the city.
- Volunteered, hours of work, and provided supplies, to develop the entrance to Morgan Park in 2000.
- Provided a fleet of mobile Event Vans, free of charge to clubs, Schools and events to enable them to have a venue, for administration and shelter.
- He built a 'People Mover' to attach to his tractor, to ferry people (adults and children) around during events.
- He freely and enthusiastically commits his time, knowledge & resources to assist numerous community organisations, and committees, wherever, and whenever he can, including:
 - Warwick Senior Citizens
 - Warwick Chamber of Commerce
 - Warwick Show & Rodeo Society
 - Rainbow FM Community Radio (now known as Rose City FM)
 - The Cancer Council
 - The Warwick Leukaemia Foundation (Currently President)
 - The Road Safety Group
 - Crimestoppers
 - The Motorcross Club
 - Qld Trucking Association
 - The Caravan & Motorhome Club
 - Relay for Life
 - Rotary Club of Warwick Sunrise

Graham has also advocated for upgrades to the Eight Mile intersection and also for the region to become RV friendly.

I acknowledge, that in the past, Graham has been recognized for his contribution to the community, with individual awards, including an OAM for Road Safety, a Paul Harris Fellowship from Rotary International for exceptional community service, the Warwick Australia Day Citizen of the Year in 2017, the Warwick Chamber of Commerce Platinum Business Excellence Award in 2018, and most recently he was included in the 'Lane of Legends'. However, the naming of this bridge, 'Graham Buchner Bridge', would be a long lasting, and fitting recognition, of Graham's overall commitment, support, and excellent mentorship, he is unselfishly willing to give, to the whole community, within our region.

Sheryl Windle

Subject: Naming of bridge

I would like to nominate the Bridge be named after Graham
Buchner. Thanks,
Yve Stocks.

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To SDEC

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re new pedestrian bridge
I would like to put my suggestion
of naming the bridge for your perusal.

— River Walk Bridge.

I feel this is relevant to what
you are doing

Thank you

Kay McDonald