

REPORT TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON 12 JUNE 2012

SUBJECT: NEW BRIDGE NAME - PANSPORT

BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR (ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES)

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The Committee is asked to consider a request from the Elgin-Landshut Twintown Association to name the new bridge being constructed at Pansport, Elgin as "Landshut Bridge".
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of section G (16) the Council's Administrative Scheme.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **The Committee is asked to consider a request from Elgin-Landshut Twintown Association to name the new bridge at Pansport, Elgin as "Landshut Bridge".**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 A request was submitted to the Convener on 7 October 2011 from the Chairman of the Elgin-Landshut Twintown Association to name the new bridge being constructed at Pansport, Elgin as "Landshut Bridge".
- 3.2 The new bridge is being constructed to replace the existing bridge which is being demolished as part of the Elgin Flood Scheme. The Elgin Flood Scheme was approved by the Scottish Ministers on 20 December 2010.
- 3.3 Several landmarks in Landshut are named to reflect the various twin towns with which Landshut is linked. One of these is the *Elgin Brücke* (Elgin Bridge) which carries one of the main traffic routes in Landshut across the *Kleine Isar* River.
- 3.4 The Association feels that so naming the bridge would reciprocate the courtesy shown by the Landshut authorities and would also help raise the profile of the twinning link within Elgin.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Single Outcome Agreement/ Service Improvement Plan

The business of this report contributes to National Outcome 10 "We live in well-designed, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenities and services we need."

(b) Policy and Legal

The Moray Council is the Street Naming Authority in terms of Section 97 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

(c) Financial implications

None

(d) Risk Implications

None

(e) Staffing Implications

Naming activities are carried out as part of Transportation staff workload.

(f) Property

There are no property implications from this report.

(g) Equalities

There are no issues arising from this report.

(h) Consultations

Elgin elected members Councillors Allan, Divers, Leadbitter and Shand have been consulted and are in agreement with the content and recommendations of the report.

Councillor Gowans has been consulted and is of the view that Pansport Bridge will always be known as Pansport Bridge by local people and as such should the name should remain.

Councillor Jarvis has been consulted and will make his views known at the meeting.

The Corporate Director (Environmental Services), Mr I Robertson, Senior Technician (Development Control) and Mrs A Scott, Legal Services Manager (Property and Contracts), have been consulted and their comments have been incorporated.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 The Committee is asked to consider a request from the Elgin-Landshut Twintown Association to name the new bridge being constructed at Pansport, Elgin as “Landshut Bridge”.

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Background Papers:
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