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<b>Waddell Lane</b>		Named after Leslie Arthur William Waddell (1903-1982).	Avondale	<p>Waddell, a contractor, undertook work for the Christchurch Drainage Board, especially to do with sewers.</p> <p>The Christchurch Drainage Board owned an area of low-lying land in Avondale which they filled up with dredgings from the river so the land could be subdivided and built on.</p> <p>The Board named the streets formed there and former board and staff members of the Drainage Board were among those honoured in the naming. At the time of naming of the streets it was intended to have 11 streets and cul-de-sacs in the new subdivision.</p> <p>Named on 21 November 1984.</p> <p>First appears in street</p>	De Courcy Place, Gertrude Place, Hunt Lane, Mervyn Drive, Ogilvie Place and Scoular Place.	<p>Information supplied in 2007 by Paul Baldwin, Christchurch City Council, in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p> <p>"Board may restrict sewage flows", The Press, 29 November 1984</p>	<p><a href="#">Christchurch, swamp to city: a short history of the Christchurch Drainage Board 1875-1989</a>, p 90 &amp; pp 92-93</p> <p>"Subdivision auctioned", The Press, 20 February 1984</p> <p>"Property market", The Press, 2 June 1984</p>

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				directories in 1987.			
<b>Wadeley Road</b>		Named after the Wade family.	Ilam	Stephen Ashley Wade (1895?-1953), a woolbuyer of Wade & Co., and his wife, Aileen Muriel Wade (1904-2007), lived at Holmdene, 152 Waimairi Road, later re-numbered 144 Waimairi Road, from 1949. Their son, John Richard Dearsley Wade (1932?-1979), also a wool buyer, lived on at the same property.			

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				<p>The address of the former Wade family home is now 33 Wadeley Road. Warren &amp; Mahoney, architects, designed buildings for the Wades, including Wade house at 29 Wadeley Road and the Birchdale flats in Newbridge Place. Both properties were lived in by Aileen Wade in her later years.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1966 running off Maidstone Road.</p>			
<b>Wades Avenue</b>		Named after Harry Ridgway Wade (1881-1940).	St Martins	<p>Wade, a draper, was born in Halifax, Yorkshire. He was the manager of Everybody's Ltd., corner of Colombo and Tuam Streets. He was also a New Brighton borough councillor from 1912.</p> <p>He lived at 21 Prossers Road. When his property was auctioned in 1911, it</p>		<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 21 October 1911, p 15</p> <p><a href="#">Map of Christchurch shewing tram routes &amp; public buildings 1912</a></p>	

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				<p>was advertised as having frontages to “Hill’s Road, Prosser’s Road and Wade’s Avenue”.</p> <p>He moved to Australia and became a confectioner.</p> <p>Appears on a 1912 map.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1921.</p>			
<b>Wadhurst Place</b>		Probably named after Wadhurst, a town in Sussex.	Burnside	First appears in street directories in 1960.			
<b>Wagner Crescent</b>			Northwood	<p>Developed by Belfast Developments Ltd and Styx Developments Ltd. The developers “chose names suitable for the length of the road rather than trying to establish a common theme throughout the subdivision”.</p> <p>Named in 2000.</p>		<p><a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 29 March 2000</a></p> <p><a href="#">Report of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to the Council 19 April 2000</a></p>	

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<b>Waiiau Street</b>		Named after the Waiiau River.	Cracroft	In a subdivision where the streets are named after rivers and sheep stations in North Canterbury.  First appears in street directories in 1964.	Hurunui Street, Opihi Street Pahau Street and Waipara Street.	“Country’s influence”, The Press, 11 November 1964, p 30  “More themes in street names”, <a href="#">The Christchurch Mail</a> , 23 February 1999, p 6	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 242
<b>Wai-iti Terrace</b>	Malton Street was incorporated into Wai-iti Terrace.	Wai-iti means: a little stream.  Malton Avenue was probably named after Malton in North Yorkshire, England.	Bryndwr, Burnside	Wai-iti Terrace is first mentioned in The Press in 1927 when sections for sale there are advertised.  First appears in street directories in 1930.  Malton Avenue first appears in 1928 (it ran off Bryndwr Road). It was incorporated into Wai-iti Terrace in 1960.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 7 March 1927, p 8	

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<b>Waimairi Road</b>	Also named Bush Inn Road.		Ilam, Upper Riccarton	<p>First mentioned in The Lyttelton Times in 1851 when Mary Ward's land is described. She purchased Rural Section 80, 50 acres in the Christchurch district.</p> <p>Also named Bush Inn Road. Named after the Bush Inn Hotel at Riccarton.</p> <p>First mentioned in the Star in 1868 when its gravelling is discussed. This name never appears in street directories.</p>	Waimairi	<p>“<a href="#">Rural Sections chosen</a>”, The Lyttelton Times, 29 March 1851, p 6</p> <p>“<a href="#">Local and General</a>”, Star, 9 October 1868, p 2</p> <p>“<a href="#">The Riccarton coach goes by</a>”, The Press, 4 December 1937, p 21</p>	<p><a href="#">Beyond the city: the land and its people, Riccarton, Waimairi, Paparua</a>, p 55</p>

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<b>Waimakariri Road</b>	Part of Johns Road	Named because at one time the whole of Johns Road was known as the Waimak Road.	Harewood	First appears in street directories in 1972. [Kilcroft Road was another name suggested.]		"Extra name needed", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 7 April 1970, p 1 "New name proposed", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 21 April 1970, p 8 "New names", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 2 June 1970, p 9	
<b>Waimea Terrace</b>	Western Terrace		Beckenham	Western Terrace is first mentioned in The Press in 1910 when land there is advertised for sale. First appears in street directories in 1912. Re-named Waimea Terrace on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 25 January 1910, p 11 <a href="#">Beckenham: a suburb of Christchurch, New Zealand</a> , p 16 "Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3	"New names for street", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3 "New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2

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<b>Wainoni Road</b>	Part of Old Brighton Road	Named after Wainoni, the property owned by Professor Alexander William Bickerton (1842-1929).  Wainoni means: bend in the river. There was a bend in the Avon River where Porritt Park is now.	Avondale, Wainoni	Wainoni Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1911 in an advertisement.  First appears in street directories in 1914. Bickerton is a resident.	Wainoni	“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 30 August 1911, p 13	View the biography of <a href="#">Alexander William Bickerton</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  “ <a href="#">Wainoni</a> ”, Star, 17 February 1902, p 4
<b>Wainui Street</b>	Junction Road		Riccarton	Junction Road first appears in street directories in 1909.  Re-named Wainui Street in 1910.			



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<b>Waipara Street</b>		Named after the Waipara River.	Cracroft	In a subdivision where the streets are named after rivers and sheep stations in North Canterbury.  First appears in street directories in 1964.	Hurunui Street, Opihi Street, Pahau Street and Waiau Street.	“Country’s influence”, The Press, 11 November 1964, p 30  “More themes in street names”, <a href="#">The Christchurch Mail</a> , 23 February 1999, p 6	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 242
<b>Wairakei Road</b>	Wairarapa Road	Formerly Wairarapa Road. Named after Wairarapa Farm, the farm belonging to Joseph Taylor (1836-1918).  Re-named Wairakei Road.	Burnside, Bryndwr, Strowan	Wairarapa Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1871 in a report of a meeting of the Riccarton Road Board.  First appears in street directories in 1894, running from Bligh’s Road to Norman’s Road.  Re-named Wairakei Road on 23 September 1948 when 24 streets in the Waimairi County were re-named. Lautoka Road was an earlier suggestion.	Taylor’s Avenue	“ <a href="#">Riccarton Road Board</a> ”, Star, 3 January 1871, p 3  Waimairi County Council minute book, January 1947-February 1949, p 546 & 594 held at Christchurch City Council archives.	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : T66  “ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, The Press, 11 November 1918, p 3

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<b>Wairarapa Terrace</b>		Named after Wairarapa Farm, the farm belonging to Joseph Taylor (1836-1918).	Merivale	First mentioned in The Press in 1880 when “53 beautiful villa sites adjoining Mr Wilkin’s residence at Holmwood” are advertised for sale in The Press.  First appears in street directories in 1894.	Taylors Avenue	“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 7 October 1880, p 3	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : T66  “ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, The Press, 11 November 1918, p 3
<b>Wairoa Street</b>	Wainui Street		Bexley	Wainui Street appears in the Methodist marriage church register in 1914 when Elsie Mary Hall of Wainui Street, New Brighton married George Ellis. At the time Bexley would have been popularly considered part of New Brighton although it was outside the borough.  Wainui Street first appears in street directories in 1948.  Re-named Wairoa Street in 1950.		Information about Bexley/New Brighton supplied by Richard Greenaway in 2010.	

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<b>Waitaki Street</b>	High Street was incorporated into Wai-iti Street and both were incorporated into Waitaki Street.		Bexley	<p>High Street first appears in street directories in 1916.</p> <p>Wai-iti Street first appears in street directories in 1921.</p> <p>High Street was incorporated into Wai-iti Street in February 1933 by the Public Utilities Committee of the Heathcote County Council. It was re-named Waitaki Street the next month as there was an existing Wai-iti Terrace in Fendalton.</p> <p>Waitaki Street first appears in street directories in 1934.</p>		<p>“<a href="#">Street names</a>”, The Press, 15 October 1932, p 14</p> <p>“Street names”, <a href="#">The Christchurch Times</a>, 1 February 1933, p 3</p> <p>"<a href="#">County Councils</a>", The Press, 18 March 1933, p 8</p>	<p><a href="#">The Estuary of Christchurch: a history of the Avon-Heathcote estuary, its communities, clubs, controversies and contributions</a>, p 151</p>
<b>Waitikiri Drive</b>	The northern section was formerly part of Burwood Road.	Named because it was developed through the Waitikiri Golf Course.	Parklands	First appears in street directories in 1987.	Waitikiri		<a href="#">Waitikiri</a>

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<b>Waitikiri Square</b>		Named because the area is known as Waitikiri, it is close to Waitikiri Drive and is over the road from the Waitikiri Golf Course. Also the road is in the shape of a square.	Parklands	Named in 2012.	Waitikiri	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 17 September 2012</a>	<a href="#">Waitikiri</a>

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<b>Waiwetu Street</b>	Joynts Lane and Watson's Lane	Formerly Joynts Lane and and Watson's Lane. Named after William Morgan Watson (1830-1898).  Re-named Waiwetu Street although both names were used for a time. The name means: starry water. There is a tributary of the Avon River at the end of the street.	Fendalton	Joynts Lane and Watson's Lane both appear first in street directories in 1896 – Joynts Lane with a see ref. to Watson's Lane.  Watson arrived in Canterbury in 1855 and worked for William Bray (1812-1883), the Canterbury provincial engineer of Avonhead. Watson retired to Esperanza in Watson's Lane in 1890, a two acre lot where 19 Waiwetu Street is now. He is listed as one of the original residents of the street.  [This house was shifted to Taylors Road, Ohoka in 1989.]  Becomes Watson's Lane only from 1902.		" <a href="#">Waimairi</a> ", The Press, 13 October 1914, p 5	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W237 & B694  " <a href="#">Death</a> ", The Press, 6 July 1898, p 6

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				<p>Waiwetu Street first appears in The Press in 1914 when the Waimairi County Council “decided that the shingling of Waiwetu Street be proceeded with, providing the ratepayers interested contributed towards the cost”.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1924.</p>			

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<b>Wakatu Avenue</b>	Pratt Street	Formerly Pratt Street. Named after Frederick Pratt (1861-1925). Re-named Wakatu Avenue.	Moncks Bay	Pratt, a lawyer, was elected to the Sumner Borough Council on 24 April 1901 and was mayor of Sumner May 1905-February 1906. His obituary says "he would be remembered as one of the most public-spirited and generous residents who have ever worked for the benefit of the district". He lived in Nayland Street.  Pratt Street is first mentioned in the Star in 1905 when a property is advertised for sale there.  First appears in street directories in 1910.  Re-named Wakatu Avenue on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.		<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 72 " <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", Star, 10 August 1905, p 3  "Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3	" <a href="#">Tragic death: fatal accident to Mr. Frederick Pratt</a> ", The Press, 13 April 1925, p 8  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : P521  <a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a> . Vol 3, p 406  "New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3  "New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2

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<b>Wakefield Avenue</b>		Named after Felix Wakefield (1807-1875).	Sumner	Wakefield was a surveyor and engineer. He selected Rural Section 2, 100 acres in Sumner.  First appears in street directories in 1910.		<a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand: list of sections purchased to April 30, 1863</a> , p 1  " <a href="#">Rural Sections chosen</a> ", The Lyttelton Times, 1 March 1851, p 6	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> :W40  <a href="#">Felix Wakefield : a life of fitful fever</a>  " <a href="#">Local and General</a> ", Star, 24 December 1875, p 2



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<b>Wakelin Avenue</b>			Redwood	<p>One of the streets in Redwood formed on land belonging to <a href="#">Christ's College</a> and given names of members of the school staff or those associated with the school.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1987.</p>	Creese Place, Denniston Crescent, Goodall Place, Jenkins Avenue, Lowry Avenue, Monteath Place, Murchison Avenue, Pyatt Place, Solomon Avenue and Strack Place.	“Not happy on staff names”, <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 13 March 1973, p 7	
<b>Walcot Street</b>			Bromley	First appears in street directories in 1957.			
<b>Walden Place</b>			Bryndwr	Named by the developer in 1966.		"Three new street names", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 14 December 1966, p 5	

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<b>Wales Street</b>		Named after Wales, the country.	Halswell	The developer, Karl Scott (1910-1997), put several suggestions for the street name to the council, all of which were declined. In desperation he said – “England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales... Wales will do”.  First appears in street directories in 1960.	Oaklands	Information supplied in 2008 by Bede Cosgriff (d. 2011) in an interview with Margaret Harper.  <a href="#">A short history of Halswell</a> , p 99	<a href="#">Turf tufts and toe-weights</a>
<b>Walker Street</b>			Central city	Taken over by the council as a public street in 1877.  First appears in street directories in 1883.		“ <a href="#">City Council</a> ”, Star, 6 March 1877, p 3	
<b>Walkers Road</b>		Named after the Walker family.	Lyttelton	The Walkers were early settlers in Lyttelton. Edward Walker was the timekeeper at the railway works in 1863. He later worked as one of the two tunnel foremen.  First appears in street directories in 1924.			<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W55

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Wallace Street			Bryndwr	First appears in street directories in 1953.			
Waller Terrace	Richmond Road and Richmond Terrace.	Named after Francis Dalziel Waller (1869-1944).	Central city	<p>A report in the Star of a city council meeting held on 5 April 1880 says that Richmond Road “has been channelled, formed and shingled”. Richmond Road, running off the South Belt (later Moorhouse Avenue) and Richmond Terrace, running off Selwyn Street, appear first on a map and in street directories in 1883.</p> <p>The city council formally took over Richmond Terrace on 18 July 1881.</p> <p>The streets were amalgamated, becoming Richmond Terrace in 1910.</p> <p>Re-named Waller Terrace on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", Star, 6 April 1880, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", Star, 19 July 1881, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", Star, 3 March 1908, p 4</p> <p><a href="#">Plan of the city of Christchurch (Selwyn county) Canterbury, New Zealand, 1883. Map</a></p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Street names</a>", The Press, 13 September 1924, p 13</p> <p>"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>"New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">Hagley 125 anniversary review</a>, p 21</p>

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				Waller was headmaster of Christchurch West High School (later Hagley High School) 1916-1927.			
<b>Walnut Avenue</b>	St Andrew's Terrace	Formerly St Andrew's Terrace. Named because of its proximity to St Andrews College.  Re-named Walnut Avenue. Named after the walnut tree once on the corner of the street.	Strowan	St Andrews Terrace is first mentioned in The Press in 1924 where it is referred to as a street "known as St Andrew's Terrace, off Norman's Road and off Hawthorne Road, Papanui".  Re-named Walnut Avenue on 24 May 1926 when 21 streets were re-named.  [Ten ratepayers objected to the name change, suggesting Raneleigh Terrace. Another eleven suggested Mountview Terrace.]  First appears in street directories in 1947.	Hartley Avenue	" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 8 March 1924, p 20  " <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 28 May 1926, p 17  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 22 June 1926, p 10	" <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 22 February 1926, p 10  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 26 May 1926, p 11

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<b>Walpole Street</b>		Named after Horace Walpole (1717-1797).	Waltham	Walpole was author of the first Gothic novel, The Castle of Otranto.  One of the “poets and writers” streets of Sydenham, Addington and Waltham named by a committee of the Sydenham Borough Council on 19 January 1880.  First appears in street directories in 1887.		Report of the street naming committee, Sydenham Borough Council minute book 1879-1880, p 217, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  “ <a href="#">Borough Council</a> ”, Star, 20 January 1880, p 3	
<b>Walsall Street</b>		Probably named after Walsall, a city in West Midlands, England.	Riccarton	First appears in street directories in 1896.			

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<b>Walters Road</b>		Named after Charles Henry Walter (1842-1923).	Marshland	<p>Walter arrived in Canterbury on the Zambia in 1863 and moved to Marshland in 1882 where he developed some very rough swamp land on what later became Walters Road. He became chairman of the local school committee and helped establish the library and the local hall. His son, Wilfred John Walter (1878-1946), was a long-serving member of Christchurch local authorities.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Press in 1891.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1928.</p>		<p><a href="#">Reminiscences of early Marshland residents, 1930-1939</a></p> <p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 20 May 1891, p 1</p> <p><a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 3 August 2005</a></p> <p><a href="#">Settling near the Styx River</a>, p 181</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W119</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, The Press, 6 October 1923, p 15</p>
<b>Waltham Road</b>	Gasworks Road. Also Langdown Street.	Formerly Gasworks Road. Named because the Gasworks were there.	Sydenham	<p>Gasworks Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1871 and appears on an 1879 map.</p> <p>Waltham Road is</p>	Waltham	<p>“<a href="#">City Council</a>”, Star, 13 June 1871, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and</a></p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: L60</p> <p><a href="#">Requiem for a</a></p>

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		Re-named Waltham Road. Named, as the suburb is named, after Waltham House, a large house on Colombo Road belonging to Charles Prince.		mentioned in street directories of 1878 so the street had alternate names for a time.  In 1889 the council proposed re-naming the road Langdown Street to honour a retiring mayor, William Langdown (1827-1903). It appears on an 1890 map as Langdown Street. According to an 1890 newspaper report this name was rejected by residents. However, from 1905 to 1948, the section from Austin Street to the bridge at Wilsons Road was known as Langdown Street. There had once been lime kilns in the street named Langdown & Co.		<p><a href="#">suburbs</a>, 1879</p> <p>“Borough councils”, <a href="#">The Lyttelton Times</a>, 17 September 1889, p 3</p> <p><a href="#">Map of Christchurch &amp; suburbs: including the boroughs of Sydenham, Linwood &amp; St Albans</a>, 1890</p> <p>“<a href="#">The Waltham Road</a>”, The Press, 27 November 1890, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">Map of Christchurch : shewing tram routes &amp; public buildings</a> 1912</p> <p><a href="#">Sydenham: the model borough of Christchurch : an informal history</a>, p 12</p>	<p><a href="#">Gasworks</a>, pp 35-36</p>

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<b>Walton Street</b>		Named after Sir Izaak Walton (1593-1683).	Sydenham	Walton was an English biographer best known for <i>The Compleat Angler</i> .  One of the "poets and writers" streets of Sydenham, Addington and Waltham named by a committee of the Sydenham Borough Council on 19 January 1880.  First appears in street directories in 1892.		Report of the street naming committee, Sydenham Borough Council minute book 1879-1880, p 217, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  “ <a href="#">Borough Council</a> ”, <i>Star</i> , 20 January 1880, p 3	
<b>Wanstead Place</b>		Probably named after Wanstead, a suburban area in the London Borough of Redbridge, North-East London.	Woolston	First appears in street directories in 1978.			
<b>Waratah Street</b>		Named after the waratah, an Australian shrub.	Avondale	First appears in street directories in 1970.			



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<b>Warblington Street</b>		Named after Warblington in Hampshire.	Aranui	In an area where all the streets are named after places in the county of Hampshire. There is a Christchurch city and a River Avon in Hampshire.  Named on 15 March 1961.  First appears in street directories in 1966.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.	
<b>Ward Street</b>			Addington	First mentioned in an advertisement in the Star in 1868.  Appears on an 1879 map.		“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, Star, 29 July 1868, p 3  <a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and suburbs</a>	

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Wardell Street		Named after Norman Shirley Wardell (1898-1959).	Wigram	<p>Wardell was a clerk of Christchurch. He graduated from the Canterbury Flying School on 9 April 1918.</p> <p>In the Wigram Aerodrome subdivision by Ngāi Tahu Property Ltd where the street names are either of aircraft or taken from the list of the first 100 students at the Flight School established by Sir Henry Wigram in 1917.</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Wigram Skies	<p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 28 February 2012</a></p> <p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 28 February 2012</a></p>	<p>Great Britain, Royal Aero Club Aviators' Certificates, 1910-1950 as found on <a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury (NZ) Aviation Co. Ltd: the first one hundred pilots</a></p> <p><a href="#">Wigram Skies</a></p>

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<b>Warden Street</b>		Named after a position in the Anglican Church. Each parish has two wardens who are chosen from the congregation and are part of the vestry. They are the vicar's warden, representing the priest, and the people's warden, representing the congregation.	Richmond	One of a number of streets with names with Anglican associations, chosen when the Church Property Trustees sold their land.  Warden Street is first mentioned in The Press in 1910 when land for sale there is advertised.  First appears in street directories in 1921.	Slater Street	“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 18 May 1910, p 10  “Story of 700 acres of church property”, The Press, 25 February 1947, p 6	
<b>Wardour Mews</b>		Named after Old Wardour Castle near Tisbury in Wiltshire, England.	Avonhead	In the Hyde Park subdivision where many of the streets are named after stately homes of England.  First appears in street directories in 1991.	Hyde Park		
<b>Wards Lane</b>		Named after Wilfred Irving Ward (1885-1963).	Mount Pleasant	Ward, a dentist, is a resident of the street in 1957, the year it first appears in street directories.			“Obituary”, The Press, 14 December 1963, p 12

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<b>Warner Place</b>		Named after Warner Mauger (1934-).	Heathcote Valley	Mauger is a builder and developer. First appears in street directories in 1987.		Information supplied in 2004 by Linda Mauger, a family member, in an interview with Margaret Harper.	
<b>Warren Crescent</b>		Named after the Rev. Alwyn Warren (1900-1988).	Hillmorton, Hoon Hay	Warren was the Bishop of Christchurch 1951-1966 and, because of this, a warden of <a href="#">Christ's College</a> . One of the streets in the area formed on land belonging to <a href="#">Christ's College</a> . First appears in street directories in 1964.	Bean Street, Bidwell Place, Charles Upham Avenue, Grigg Place, Harling Avenue, Neave Place and West-Watson Avenue.	"West-Watson Park", The Press, 14 September 1957, p 4	View the biography of <a href="#">Alwyn Keith Warren</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .
<b>Warrington Street</b>		Probably named after Warrington, a large town in Cheshire, England.	Mairehau	First mentioned in The Press in 1907. First appears in street directories in 1908.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 30 November 1907, p 14	

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<b>Warwick Street</b>	George Street	Named after Warwick, a town in Warwickshire, England.	Richmond	George Street first appears in street directories in 1887. Re-named Warwick Street on 7 March 1904. Among a number of streets re-named in 1904 and given the names of place-names in the United Kingdom.		Christchurch City Council minute book, June 1903-October 1904 held at Christchurch City Council archives. <a href="#">“Re-naming streets”</a> , The Press, 8 March 1904, p 5	
<b>Washington Way</b>		Named after the Washington, the first train to travel from Christchurch to Dunedin.	Sydenham	Named because the street was developed near the site of the Moorhouse Avenue Railway Station subdivision. First appears in street directories in 1995.		Information supplied in 2006 by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.	
<b>Water Street</b>			Hoon Hay	First appears in street directories in 1957.			

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<b>Waterford Avenue</b>			Northwood	Developed by Belfast Developments Ltd and Styx Developments Ltd. The developers “chose names suitable for the length of the road rather than trying to establish a common theme throughout the subdivision”.  Named in 2000.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 29 March 2000</a>  <a href="#">Report of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to the Council 19 April 2000</a>	
<b>Waterloo Road</b>	Factory Road		Hornby, Islington, Templeton	Named Factory Road until 1945 when postal authorities asked that it be re-named.  Re-named Waterloo Road.		<a href="#">A history of the New Zealand Refrigerating Company</a> , p 107	" <a href="#">The Templeton Freezing Works</a> ", Star, 17 April 1889, p 4
<b>Waterloo Square</b>			Wigram	In the centre of the Waterloo Business Park subdivision.  Named in 2014.	Waterloo Business Park	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 15 July 2014</a>  <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 15 July 2014</a>	<a href="#">Waterloo Business Park</a>

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<b>Watermill Boulevard</b>		Named because it is in a subdivision which has its own water features and is also near the ponds and water features of the Styx Mill Reserve.	Northwood	The developer, Carlin Enterprises, wished to recognise these features in the street names in the subdivision.  Named in 2003.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 2 July 2003</a>	
<b>Waters Road</b>			Hoon Hay	First appears in street directories in 1957.			
<b>Waterstock Way</b>		Named by the development company to be in keeping with the existing theme of water and water features. The name was also considered appropriate for the locality.	Parklands	In the Waitikiri Stage 3 (Lake stage) subdivision.  Named in 2011.		<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 15 August 2011</a>  <a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board minutes 29 August 2011</a>	

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<b>Waterview Court</b>			Northwood	In the Isaac Lakes section of the Clearwater subdivision. Named in 2013.	Clearwater	<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 5 June 2013</a>	"Colourful First Lady's legacy endures", The Press, 26 November 2012, p A4
<b>Waterway Lane</b>			Northwood	In the Isaac Lakes section of the Clearwater subdivision. Named in 2013.	Clearwater	<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 5 June 2013</a>	"Colourful First Lady's legacy endures", The Press, 26 November 2012, p A4



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Watford Street	Nursery Road	<p>Formerly Nursery Road. Named because it was developed on the site of nurseries.</p> <p>Re-named Watford Street. Named because both parents of a prominent resident there had been born at Watford, just outside London.</p> <p>[These people have not been identified.]</p>	Strowan	<p>One nursery was run by John Joyce (1850?-1928). He died at his property at 92 Blighs Road.</p> <p>Another nursery nearby was that of John Greenaway (1831-1880) who owned Hawthorne Nursery on 5 acres (2 hectares). Hawthorne Street was developed there.</p> <p>Nursery Road first appears in street directories in 1894.</p> <p>In 1921, at a meeting of the Waimairi County Council, R. W. Hawke moved that the street be re-named Watford Street because of duplication of the name.</p>	Elmwood	<p>"<a href="#">General news</a>", The Press, 11 January 1921, p 6</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Fatal accident on the tramway</a>", Star, 1 December 1880, p 3</p> <p>"Pioneer gardeners", The Star, 11 October 1919, p 8</p> <p>"Pioneer gardeners", The Star, 14 October 1919, p 6</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 20 July 1928, p 7</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: G398, J226</p>

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<b>Watlings Place</b>		Named after the Watling family.	Kennedys Bush	John "Jack" Watling (1897-1978), a retired master mariner, and his wife, Isabel Mary Watling, née Scott, (1902-1990) came to live on Kennedys Bush Road in 1932 and farmed their land as a sheep farm. Both he and his daughter, Margaret Watling (1933?-1986), were interested in horticulture with Margaret also becoming a well-known florist.  Named in 1999.		<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 31 March 1999</a>  <a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , pp 264-265  <a href="#">A short history of Halswell</a> , p 90	"Obituary", The Press, 16 April 1986, p 12
<b>Watsons Lane</b>		Named after Alexander Watson.	Lyttelton	Watson was a shipwright. His daughter was married from her parents' home on Sumner Road in 1894.		" <a href="#">Marriages</a> ", Star, 25 August 1894, p 4	

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<b>Watsons Road</b>	Watson's Road	Named after George Watson (1837-1912).	Harewood	<p>Watson, a farmer, is first listed in electoral rolls in the Styx catchment in 1878-1879 and is described as having a leasehold on Rural Section 57 on the south side of Harewood Road. He later owned land on its north side. He is buried at St James Anglican Church in Harewood Road.</p> <p>Tenders were accepted by the Waimairi County Council for the "forming and shingling" of Watson's Road in 1911.</p> <p>Formally named in 1917.</p>		<p><a href="#">Settling near the Styx River</a>, pp 43-44</p> <p>"<a href="#">County Councils</a>", The Press, 10 October 1911, p 8</p> <p>"<a href="#">County Council</a>", Sun, 11 June 1917, p 3</p>	

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<b>Wattle Drive</b>		Named after the Australian wattle tree.	New Brighton	This was the favourite tree of William Nicholas Ryan (1885-1950), a contractor.  Named by his wife, Mary Catherine Ryan (1892-1978).  First appears in street directories in 1960.		Information supplied in 2008 by Ryan's son, Jack Ryan, in a letter to Margaret Harper.	
<b>Watts Road</b>			Sockburn	Tenders were invited for forming Watt's Road in 1906.  First appears in street directories in 1908. No resident named Watt is listed.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 18 August 1906, p 13	

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<b>Waverley Street</b>	Templer Street	Named after Waverley, a town in Surrey, England.	Sydenham	Templer Street is first mentioned in the Star in 1888 in a report of a meeting of the Sydenham Borough Council.  First appears in street directories in 1894.  Re-named Waverley Street in 1904.  Among a number of streets re-named in 1904 and given the names of place-names in the United Kingdom.		“ <a href="#">Sydenham Borough Council</a> ”, Star, 1 May 1888, p 4  “ <a href="#">Re-naming streets</a> ”, The Press, 8 March 1904, p 5	
<b>Webb Lane</b>			Lyttelton	First appears in street directories in 1973.			
<b>Webb Street</b>		Named after Henry Richard Webb (1829-1901).	St Albans	Webb was a member of the Provincial Council 1869-1875 and secretary during its winding-up 1873-1875. His second daughter married Robert Ewing McDougall (1861-1942); his second wife was a sister of the Hon. John Thomas Peacock	McDougall Avenue and Peacock Street.	“ <a href="#">St Albans Borough Council</a> ”, Star, 12 March 1889, p 4  <a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a> , p 133-134  “An enclave of	“ <a href="#">Death of Mr H. R. Webb</a> ”, The Press, 12 February 1901, p 6  “ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, Star, 12 February 1901, p 3  “Obituary”, <a href="#">The Lyttelton Times</a> , 13

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				<p>(1827?-1905). The Webb family built a large house, Te Wepu, on Papanui Road with an entrance from Webb Street which was named by 1889 and first appears in street directories in 1890.</p> <p>[The house was renovated in 2005 becoming Merivale Manor.]</p>		<p>wealth and power”, New Zealand Historic Places, September 1997, pp 16-19</p>	<p>February 1901, p 5</p> <p><a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a>. Vol 3, p 375</p> <p><a href="#">Our City Issue 40 Summer 2005</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W274</p>

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<b>Webster Road</b>		Named after Arthur Gordon Webster (1893-1966).	Wigram	<p>Webster was a farmer from Little River. He graduated from the Canterbury Flying School on 25 March 1918.</p> <p>In the Wigram Aerodrome subdivision by Ngāi Tahu Property Ltd where the street names are either of aircraft or taken from the list of the first 100 students at the Flight School established by Sir Henry Wigram in 1917.</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Wigram Skies	<p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 28 February 2012</a></p> <p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 28 February 2012</a></p>	<p>Great Britain, Royal Aero Club Aviators' Certificates, 1910-1950 as found on <a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury (NZ) Aviation Co. Ltd: the first one hundred pilots</a></p> <p><a href="#">Wigram Skies</a></p>
<b>Wedgewood Avenue</b>	Wedgwood Avenue		Cashmere	<p>Named because the developer was very fond of Wedgwood china.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1972 where it is spelt correctly. From 1981 it is mis-spelt as Wedgewood Avenue.</p>		Information supplied in 2009 by Gordon Ogilvie.	

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Wedmore Close		Named after Wedmore in Somerset, England.	Burwood	Streets were given names associated with King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table in this part of the Travis Country Estate. Named in 1997.	Excalibur Place, Gunwelloe Lane, Mullion Lane, St Keverne Close, Sedgemoor Close and Wedmore Close. Also Glastonbury Drive and Quantock Place. Also Travis Country Estate.	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 24 November 1997</a>	<a href="#">Wedmore</a>



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<b>Weir Place</b>		Named after the Weir family.	Halswell	Henry Weir (1835?-1884) and his wife, Mary Jane, settled in Halswell in 1863, living on Hoon Hay Road. Their son, Walter Henry Weir (1877-1935) farmed at Dalkeith, 99 Hoon Hay Road. He "always took a keen interest in the affairs of the Cashmere-Halswell district".  First appears in street directories in 1953.	Dalkeith Street	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 24 August 1935, p 25	" <a href="#">Deaths</a> ", The Press, 3 January 1884, p 7  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W309  " <a href="#">Deaths</a> ", The Press, 7 August 1935, p 1
<b>Weka Street</b>	Weka Road		Fendalton	Weka Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1913. Becomes Weka Street in 1916.  Weka Road first appears in street directories in 1915 running off Straven Road. Becomes Weka Street in 1917.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 25 September 1913, p 12  " <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 13 June 1916, p 11	

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<b>Welles Street</b>	Marion Street and Belfast Street.	Re-named Welles Street. Named because of the well once there.	Central city	<p>Martin Street (note spelling) appears on an 1879 map.</p> <p>The Marion Street well is referred to in the Star in 1895.</p> <p>Marion Street first appears in street directories in 1900.</p> <p>Re-named Belfast Street in 1911.</p> <p>Re-named Welles Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named. It was given an additional "e".</p>		<p><a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and suburbs, 1879</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">The Deep Wells</a>", Star, 27 March 1895, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", The Press, 22 August 1911, p 5</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p>"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>"New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>

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<b>Wellington Street</b>		Named after Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington (1769-1852).	Phillipstown	Wellington was a soldier and statesman.  One of a group of four streets named after English military commanders.  Named in 1898. Formed by John Connal in Rural Section 347.  First appears in street directories in 1900.	Clive Street, Havelock Street and Marlborough Street.	" <a href="#">Linwood</a> ", The Press, 25 January 1898, p 3  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 2 September 1930, p 12	
<b>Wembley Street</b>		Named after the British Empire Exhibition held at Wembley in 1924.	Sydenham	Named in 1927.  First appears in street directories in 1929.		" <a href="#">New streets, names selected</a> ", The Press, 27 September 1927, p 8	

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<b>Wendon Mews</b>		Named after Mt Wendon Station in Southland.	Belfast	The streets in the subdivision are named after South Island high-country runs.  First appears in street directories in 1993.	Hossack Close, Kimbrace Place, Pentland Drive, Shenley Avenue and Stable Way. Also Pentland.	“Landcorp to launch new subdivision”, The Press, 2 October 1990, p 24	
<b>Wendover Street</b>			Bishopdale	First appears in street directories in 1968.			
<b>Wentworth Street</b>			Ilam	First appears in street directories in 1960.			

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Westby Street		Named after Westby Brook Perceval (1854-1938).	Waltham	Perceval, a lawyer, was the Member of Parliament for Christchurch 1890-1891, and agent-general for New Zealand in the United Kingdom from 1891.  First appears in street directories in 1912.	Perry Street and Kaimahi Settlement.		View the biography of <a href="#">Westby Brook Perceval</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  [Both spellings of his name, Percival and Perceval, were used throughout his life. The Star spells his name as Perceval from 1881 onwards. He married in 1880.]
Westcott Street			Dallington	Appears on a 1954 map.  First appears in street directories in 1957.		<a href="#">Map of Christchurch and environs, 1954.</a>	

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<b>Westenra Terrace</b>		Named after the Frances Sarah Wilson, née Westenra, (1831-1903).	Cashmere	<p>Frances Wilson was the eldest daughter of Captain Richard Westenra (1794-1880) and the wife of Frederick Herbert Wilson (1831-1902), who was the eldest son of John Cracroft Wilson. They lived where this street was later developed.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Press in 1913 when land in the Cashmere Estate is advertised for sale.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1921.</p>	Rossmore Terrace. Also Cashmere.	<p><a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a>, p 238</p> <p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 4 October 1913, p 19</p>	<p>“<a href="#">Obituary, Mr F. H. Wilson, of Cashmere</a>”, The Press, 26 December 1902, p 9</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, Star, 24 December 1902, p 3</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W345 &amp; W584</p>
<b>West Green</b>		Named "to reflect the locality of the subdivision together with the materials used to enhance it".	Parklands	<p>In the Waitikiri Lake subdivision.</p> <p>Name proposed by the development company, Smith Developments Ltd.</p> <p>Named in 2004.</p>	Waitikiri	<p><a href="#">Burwood Pegasus Community board agenda 1 March 2004</a></p>	

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Westholme Street			Strowan	39 “choice building lots” were sold at auction in the Westholme subdivision in 1926.  First appears in street directories in 1928 “running off Bligh’s Road”. Later extended through to Strowan Road.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 16 June 1926, p 11	
Westlake Drive			Halswell	In the Oaklands subdivision.  First appears in street directories in 1991.			

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<b>Westminster Street</b>	Green's Lane and Green's Road. Also part of Shirley Road.	Formerly Green's Lane and Green's Road.  Named after Green, a local milkman. James Green, of Papanui, is listed in street directories in 1890.  Greens Road and part of Shirley Road were amalgamated and re-named Westminster Street. Named after the City of Westminster, a metropolitan borough of London.	Mairehau, St Albans	Green's thatched-roof, sod house was on the corner of Hills Road and Greens Road.  Green's Lane first appears in street directories in 1892.  Shirley Road from Rutland Street up to, and including Green's Road, was re-named Westminster Street in 1909.		<a href="#">Reminiscences of early Marshland residents, 1930-1939</a> , Pt 2, p 8  “ <a href="#">Local and general</a> ”, Star, 5 October 1909, p 2  “ <a href="#">Street naming</a> ”, The Press, 3 November 1909, p 3	“ <a href="#">Street names</a> ”, The Press, 6 October 1909, p 6
<b>Weston Road</b>	Weston's Road	Named after Thomas Shailer Weston (1837-1912).	Mairehau, St Albans	Weston was a lawyer and a church property trustee. He was also on the board of governors of Canterbury College.  One of a number of		<a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a> , p 20  <a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New</a>	“ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, The Press, 16 October 1912, p 9  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury</a>



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				<p>streets with names with Anglican associations, chosen when the Church Property Trustees sold their land. This was the first subdivision of Rural Section 243f, 100 acres in Papanui Road purchased by the Ecclesiastical Committee, Dean and Chapter.</p> <p>Weston's Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1888 in a report of a meeting of the St Albans Borough Council.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1890 running off Papanui Road.</p> <p>Becomes Weston Road in 1901.</p>		<p><a href="#">Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a>, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury church property : articles</a>, p 43</p> <p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", Star, 3 July 1888, p 4</p> <p>"Story of 700 acres of church property", The Press, 25 February 1947, p 6</p> <p>"Naming of streets in new subdivisions", The Press, 1 November 1958, p 10</p>	<a href="#">biographies</a> :: W356

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<b>Westpac Lane</b>		Named because of its proximity to the Westpac Bank building.	Central city	It was an existing lane off Customs Lane, between the Westpac Bank building in Hereford Street and Mid-City Cinema and the Christchurch Transport Board depot in Cathedral Square.  Named officially in 1984 by the people who worked in the vicinity.		“Pool-fencing by-law may be ‘waste of time’”, The Press, 2 November 1984, p 5	
<b>Westpark Drive</b>		Named because it is in a western part of the city and the developers, Lake Bryndwr Developments Ltd., wanted a "parklike" theme for the subdivision.	Burnside	Named in 2005.		<a href="#">Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board agenda 29 November 2005</a>	

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<b>West-Watson Avenue</b>		Named after Campbell West-Watson (1877-1953).	Hillmorton	West-Watson was the third Anglican bishop of Christchurch 1925/26-1951 and also Archbishop of New Zealand 1940-1952. He was a Warden at <a href="#">Christ's College</a> in 1925.  One of the streets in the area formed on land belonging to <a href="#">Christ's College</a> .  First appears in street directories in 1970.	Bean Street, Bidwell Place, Charles Upham Avenue, Grigg Place, Harling Avenue, Neave Place and Warren Crescent.	“Street naming practices”, The Press, 1 June 1957, p 4  “West-Watson Park”, The Press, 14 September 1957, p 4	<a href="#">The Blain Biographical Directory of Anglican Clergy in the Pacific</a>
<b>Westwood Terrace</b>	Davis' right-of-way and Davis Lane.	Re-named Westwood Terrace. May be named after Elizabeth, known as Lizzie Hurd, née Westwood, (1826-1910).	Central city	A report in the Star of a city council meeting held on 5 April 1880 says Davis' right-of-way has been "channelled, formed and shingled".  Davis Lane first appears in street directories in 1894.  Re-named Westwood Terrace in 1913.		" <a href="#">City Council</a> ", Star, 6 April 1880, p 4  Information researched by Richard Greenaway in 2009.	“ <a href="#">Deaths</a> ”, The Press, 4 August 1910, p 1  “ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, The Press, 5 August 1910, p 7

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				<p>Lizzie Westwood, a spinster and governess, emigrated with the family of her cousin, James Gapes (1822-1899), on the Regina in 1859. In 1860 she married George Allen; in 1872 John Etherden Coker; in 1896 Frank Hurd. She was associated with her second husband in the ownership of Coker's Hotel in Manchester Street when it was a business with an international reputation.</p>			
				<p>The Gapes family ran a painting and paperhanging business in Victoria Street. Some of the family lived nearby - Thomas Gapes (d. 1913) lived at 23 Salisbury Street. So there is a possibility that the name was suggested by the Gapes family.</p>			

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<b>Whaka Terrace</b>	Whakakake or Whakakaka Road. Hancock's Road was an early informal name.	Named by Hannah Hancock (1854?-1950) who said "whakekake" means "superior".	Huntsbury	Whakekake Road was named in 1923 at a meeting of the Heathcote County Council. Whakakake or Whakakaka Road appears in street directories 1938-1955. Hannah Hancock is the only resident in 1938. From 1957 it is Whaka Terrace.		" <a href="#">General news</a> ", The Press, 1 September 1923, p 14	

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<b>Wharenui Road</b>	McDowell's Road	<p>Formerly McDowell's Road. Named after John Charles McDowell (1831-1889).</p> <p>Re-named Wharenui Road. Named because it ran through the Wharenui Settlement, a government housing settlement, which, in turn, is named because early Maori in their journeys to and from the West Coast stayed in the district to catch eels and obtain food. For that reason it was known to them as wharenui or the big house.</p>	Upper Riccarton	<p>McDowell was an employee of the New Zealand Trust and Loan Company.</p> <p>McDowell's Road first appears in street directories in 1904.</p> <p>Wharenui Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1904.</p>	Wharenui Settlement	<p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>" Star, 20 February 1904, p 5</p> <p>"<a href="#">Bligh's Road School</a>", Sun, 7 May 1920, p 11</p> <p>"<a href="#">The Riccarton coach goes by</a>", The Press, 4 December 1937, p 21</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies: Mac140</a></p> <p><a href="#">Riccarton, the founding borough: a short history, Canterbury's founding settlement</a>, pp 31-32</p>

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<b>Whareora Terrace</b>		Named after Whareora, the home there of Thomas "Tommy" Edward Taylor (1862-1911).	Cashmere	Taylor was a prohibitionist, businessman and politician. His house at 63 Dyers Pass Road was called Whareora, meaning: home of happiness.  First appears in street directories in 1910.	Tommy Taylor Courts	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 216	View the biography of <a href="#">Thomas Edward Taylor</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  “ <a href="#">A biographical sketch</a> ”, The Press, 28 July 1911, p 7
<b>Wherstead Road</b>		Probably named after Wherstead, a village in Suffolk, England.	Cashmere	First mentioned in The Press in 1904 when Thorrington, "one of the oldest estates in the vicinity of Christchurch" was "disposed of in lots".  First appears in street directories in 1908.		“ <a href="#">Important land sale</a> ”, The Press, 2 December 1904, p 6	

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<b>Whincops Road</b>		Named after Aaron Whincop (1823?-1875).	Halswell	Whincop worked as a plumber, painter, glazier and paper hanger in Colombo Street until 1863. He then farmed at Remenham Farm, Halswell Road.  "Mr Whincop's Road" is first mentioned in The Press in 1871.  It appears in street directories of 1930s and 1940s spelt Wincops.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 29 August 1871, p 1	" <a href="#">Death</a> ", The Press, 23 April 1874, p 2
<b>Whio Close</b>		Whio means: a blue duck.	Parklands	In the Tumara Park subdivision where Maori names were chosen for all the streets.  Developed by Ngāi Tahu Property Group Ltd.  Named in 2004.		<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 26 April 2004</a>	



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<b>Whisby Road</b>		Named after Whisby, a town in Lincolnshire, England.	Cashmere	Whisby was home to the Cracroft family as early as the 16th century. John Cracroft Wilson (1808-1881) was the son of Elizabeth Cleminta Wilson, née Cracroft.  First appears in street directories in 1910.	Cashmere	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 238	View the biography of <a href="#">John Cracroft Wilson</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  “ <a href="#">Death</a> ”, Star, 3 March 1881, p 2
<b>Whitau Place</b>		Whitau means: the fibre found within harakeke used for fine weaving and ropes.	Marshland	A uniquely Ngāi Tahu term.  In the first stage of the Prestons subdivision. Named by Ngāi Tahu, developer of the subdivision.  Named in 2014.	Prestons	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board minutes 3 March 2014</a>	
<b>Whitby Street</b>		Named after Whitby in North Yorkshire, England.	Burnside	In a subdivision by Maurice F. Carter Ltd.  First appears in street directories in 1962.		Information supplied in 2008 by Maurice Carter (d. 2011) in an interview with Margaret Harper.	“Maurice Carter leaves behind immense legacy”, The Press, 10 May 2011, p A3

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<b>Whitchurch Place</b>		Named because it runs behind St James Anglican Church in Harewood Road.	Harewood	Named in 1970. [Boeing Place was another name suggested because of the street's proximity to Christchurch Airport.]		"New names", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 2 June 1970, p 9	
<b>Whitehall Street</b>		Named after Whitehall in London which runs north from Parliament Square. The name is taken from the vast Palace of Whitehall that used to occupy the surrounding area.	Mairehau	Named because of its proximity to Westminster Street. Named in 1955.	Westminster Street	"Names chosen for city streets", The Press, 20 September 1955, p 15	
<b>Whitehaven Lane</b>		Named after Whitehaven, a small town and port on Cumbria's west coast.	Westmorland	Named to continue the established Westmorland theme of naming streets after places in the district of Cumbria in England. Named in 2013.	Westmorland	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 17 September 2013</a> <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 17 September 2013</a>	

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<b>Whiteleigh Avenue</b>		Named after Whiteleigh, the home in Addington of John Terras Bell (1838-1908).	Addington	Bell was a land and estate agent.  First appears in street directories in 1900.			<a href="#">Whiteleigh</a> <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : B340  “ <a href="#">Deaths</a> ”, Star, 5 July 1907, p 3 [Death at Whiteleigh, Addington, of Emma, wife of J. T. Bell.]  “ <a href="#">Death</a> ”, The Press, 27 October 1908, p 1
<b>Whiterock Lane</b>		Named after Whiterock, a racehorse.	Richmond Hill	The Greenwood family has been involved in training racehorses for nearly a century, and proposed naming the roads in the subdivision after racehorses owned and trained by the family.  Named in 2010.	Greenwood Farm	<a href="#">Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board agenda 4 August 2010</a>  <a href="#">Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board minutes 4 August 2010</a>	

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<b>Whitewash Head Road</b>		Named because the droppings from the seabirds have made the cliffs white.	Sumner	The need for a road to Whitewash Head was discussed by the Sumner Borough Council in 1901.  First appears in street directories in 1950.		<a href="#">Sumner to Ferrymead: a Christchurch history</a> , p 209  “ <a href="#">Sumner improvements</a> ”, The Press, 24 September 1901, p 5	
<b>Whitfield Street</b>	William Street was incorporated into Whitfield Street.	Named after Thomas Edward Whitfield (1876-1945).	Sumner	Whitfield, a cycle engineer and locksmith, served on the Sumner Borough Council.  The section from Truro Street was originally named William Street with the northern section from Colenso Street being named Whitfield Street.  William Street was incorporated into Whitfield Street on 9 September 1922.		<a href="#">Sumner to Ferrymead: a Christchurch history</a> , p 210  “ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 11 September 1922, p 1	
<b>Whitmore Street</b>	Part of North Avon Road.	Named after Tamerlane	Edgware	Whitmore was a mariner and, later, a builder.	Avalon Street	“Early Lyttelton days”, Star, 22	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of</a>

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		Vitruvius Whitmore (1841-1904) and his wife, Jane "Jean" Whitmore, née Grubb, (1845-1927).		<p>The Whitmores married in 1870 and moved to Richmond in 1875. In 1890 street directories they are listed living at 36 North Avon Road.</p> <p>Leonard Alton Whitmore (1877-1937), a carpenter, and his wife, Jane, are residents of Whitmore Street in 1928, the year it first appears in street directories.</p> <p>In 1926 the City Council had decided that North Avon Road would go under two names: the portion lying to the north of Fitzgerald Avenue would be called Whitmore Street and that portion running east and west and connecting with Fowke street, also Fowke street itself, be known as Avalon street.</p>		<p>February 1919, p 8  <a href="#">"General news"</a>,                      The Press, 21                      December 1926, p                      10</p> <p><a href="#">First Four Ships</a>  <a href="#">Part of city of Christchurch</a>  <a href="#">Richmond, Christchurch: a regional history</a>, p                      18</p>	<a href="#">Canterbury biographies</a> : W440

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<b>Whitnall Street</b>		Named after Joseph Whitnall.	Broomfield	<p>Whitnall was a stonemason of Colombo Street.</p> <p>In a later stage of the Longhurst subdivision where the streets are named after members of the Canterbury Militia of 1860-1861.</p> <p>[The street was at first to be named Ridley Street but this was changed because of the similarity of the name to Radley Street in Woolston.]</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Longhurst	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 8 November 2012</a>	<p><a href="#">Christchurch Militia List 1860</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 16 June 1860, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">Longhurst</a></p>
<b>Whittington Avenue</b>	Rhodes Street	Probably named after Whittington, a small village near Worcester.	Woolston	<p>Rhodes Street first appears in street directories in 1908.</p> <p>Whittington Avenue is first mentioned in The Press in 1909 in a report of a meeting of the Woolston Borough Council.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">Borough Councils</a>", The Press, 6 January 1909, p 4</p>	

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<b>Wichita Place</b>		Named after Wichita, the largest city in the U.S. state of Kansas.	Burwood	In a subdivision where all the streets were given American place names.  First appears in street directories in 1987.	Idaho Place, Michigan Place, Oregon Place, Seneca Place, Tucson Place, Utah Place and Yellowstone Crescent.		
<b>Wickham Street</b>			Bromley	Named in 1966.  First appears in street directories in 1972.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 13 December 1966.	

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<b>Wiersma Lane</b>		Named after Eelco Wiersma.	Wigram	Wiersma was the developer of the Eelco Wiersma subdivision at 141-185 Awatea Road.  Named in 2014.	Endurance Lane, James Caird Lane, Milano Lane, Platinum Drive and Vahsel Bay Place.	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 15 July 2014</a>  <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 15 July 2014</a>	
<b>Wiggins Street</b>	Bury Street	Formerly Bury Street. Probably named after Bury in Greater Manchester, England by Felix Wakefield (1807-1875).  Re-named Wiggins Street. Named after Clement Lester Wiggins (1843-1927).	Sumner	Land in Bury Street in the "Township of Wakefield, Sumner Bay" is advertised for sale in the Star in 1880.  Bury Street first appears in street directories in 1911.  Re-named Wiggins Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.  Wiggins operated a private boarding school for boys there. This property became the Sumner Institution for the Deaf and Dumb in		<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , pp 45, 46, 47  <a href="#">Sumner to Ferrymead: a Christchurch history</a> , p 209  "Advertisements", Star, 18 September 1880, p 2  "Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3	<a href="#">Felix Wakefield G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W40 & W461  "Obituary", The Press, 18 August 1927, p 15  "New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3  "New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2



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				<p>March 1880. He was also the first chairman of the Sumner Town Board in 1883.</p> <p>Sumner was amalgamated with the city of Christchurch in 1945.</p>			
<b>Wigram Close</b>			Wigram	Named in 2000.		<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 1 March 2000</a>	
<b>Wildberry Street</b>			Woolston	First mentioned in The Press in 1905 in a report of a meeting of the Woolston Borough Council.		“ <a href="#">Woolston Borough Council</a> ”, The Press, 29 July 1905, p 6	

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<b>Wild Dunes Place</b>		Named after the Wild Dunes golf course in the Isle of Palms, South Carolina.	Shirley	The streets in the Fairway Park subdivision are named after American golf courses because it is near the Shirley Links, at the Christchurch Golf Club.  Named in 1999.	Baltimore Green, Birkdale Drive, Fairway Drive, Falconridge Place, Ironwood Lane, Lytham Green, Pepperwood Place, Ridgewood Place, Wildhawk Lane and Wilmington Place.	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 2 August 1999</a>	
<b>Wilden Peaks</b>		Named after Wilden Station, Central Otago.		Continues the theme in the Broken Run subdivision of naming the streets after high country farms.  Named in 2015.	Broken Run	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 16 December 2014</a>  <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 3 February 2015</a>	

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<b>Wildhawk Lane</b>		Named after the Wildhawk Golf Course in Sacramento.	Shirley	The streets in the Fairway Park subdivision are named after American golf courses because it is near the Shirley Links, at the Christchurch Golf Club.  Named in 2002.	Baltimore Green, Birkdale Drive, Fairway Drive, Falconridge Place, Ironwood Lane, Lytham Green, Pepperwood Place, Ridgewood Place, Wild Dunes Place, and Wilmington Place.	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 17 June 2002</a>	

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<b>Wilding Street</b>		Named after Frederick Wilding (1852-1945).	St Martins	Wilding was a lawyer, sportsman, sports administrator and father of Anthony Wilding. He was especially known for his work in establishing Lancaster Park, later Jade Stadium. He lived at 58, and later, 113 St Martins Road.  First appears in street directories in 1947.	Wilding Park		View the biography of <a href="#">Frederick Wilding</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W469  "Death of Mr. F. Wilding, K. C.", The Press, 6 July 1945, p 4
<b>Wildwood Avenue</b>		Named after Wildwood, a trotter.	Avonside, Wainoni	The horse was owned by brothers William (1865-1951) and Charles Fraser Kerr (1860-1914). It was imported from the USA in 1894 and bought by the brothers in 1895 for £500.  Named in 1959.	Kerrs Reach and Odie Place.	" <a href="#">The death of Charles Kerr</a> ", The Press, 25 May 1914, p 8  <a href="#">Burwood All Saints' Church 1877-1977</a> , p 1  "Chester Street West or Cranmer Terrace?", The Press, 28 April 1959, p 7	<a href="#">Turf tufts and toe-weights</a> , pp 92-93

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<b>Wilfrid Street</b>		Named after Wilfrid Barry Owen (1897?-1984).	Ilam	Owen was the first leader of the Social Credit Political League and founder of a large Christchurch pharmaceutical firm. He was also a Christchurch city councillor 1947-1950.  First appears in street directories in 1955.	Barlow Street	<a href="#">The Estuary of Christchurch: a history of the Avon-Heathcote estuary, its communities, clubs, controversies and contributions</a> , p 58  "Sale of Ilam sections", The Press, 30 April 1954, p 10	"Mr Wilfrid Owen", The Press, 11 August 1984, p 2
<b>Wilkes Road</b>		Named after Group Captain Thomas Martin Wilkes (1888-1958).	Wigram	Wilkes was one of the outstanding figures of early aviation in New Zealand, both military and civil.  Named to continue the theme of naming streets in the Wigram Skies subdivision after people involved in the air force in New Zealand.  Named in 2013.	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 6 August 2013</a>  <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 6 August 2013</a>	"Obituary", The Press, 24 October 1958, p 12  <a href="#">Wigram Skies</a>

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<b>Wilkinsons Road</b>	Buchly Road	Formerly Buchly Road. Named after Valentine Buchly (1823?-1879).  Re-named Wilkinsons Road. Named after Martin Wilkinson (1836-1914).	Harewood	The Buchly family lived at Island Farm on Harewood Road.  Re-named Wilkinsons Road. Wilkinson was a farmer of Marshland.		<a href="#">Settling near the Styx River</a> , pp 23 & 91	“ <a href="#">Deaths</a> ”, Star, 10 May 1887, p 2 [Death of Valentine and Maria Buchly’s daughter, Maria Margaret Buchly.]
<b>Willard Street</b>		Named after Frances Willard (1839-1898).	Spreydon	Miss Willard was an American educator, temperance reformer and women's suffragist.  One of two streets named after the two leading temperance women of the world at the time.  Named by the Spreydon Road Board in 1895.	Somerset Crescent	“ <a href="#">Mr Michael Davitt</a> ”, The Press, 7 December 1895, p 7	

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<b>William Brittan Avenue</b>		Named after William Guise Brittan (1809/10-1876).	Halswell	<p>Brittan was a founder of the Canterbury Settlement and Commissioner of Crown Lands. He was also the original owner of the Halswell Quarry.</p> <p>The street names in the Milns Estate subdivision all have an historical connection with the Halswell area.</p> <p>Named in 1999.</p>	Edmund Storr Road, Forgan Lane, John Olliver Terrace, Lady Nugent Lane and Marsack Crescent. Also Halswell and Milns Estate.	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 15 April 2014</a>	<p><a href="#">William Guise Brittan</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: B740</p> <p>“<a href="#">Death</a>”, The Press, 19 July 1876, p 2</p> <p>“<a href="#">News of the Day</a>”, The Press, 19 July 1876, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">Land accounts of W. G. Brittan, 1853-1858</a></p>
<b>William Lewis Drive</b>		Named after William Lewis and his family.	Sockburn	<p>Lewis was the original holder of the contract to operate the Alliance Meatworks which once occupied the site where the street was developed.</p> <p>The co-operatively-owned Alliance Group put the Christchurch meatworks processing site on the market mid-2012, 10 months after</p>		<p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 15 April 2014</a></p> <p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board 6 May 2014 agenda</a></p>	<p>“Sockburn plant sold”, The Press, 20 February 2013, p C12</p>

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				<p>announcing the closure of the plant with the loss of 250 jobs. The plant had become unprofitable for Alliance with the shift away from sheep farming across Canterbury.</p> <p>In the Central Business Park, Racecourse Road.</p> <p>Named in 2014.</p>			



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<b>Williams Street</b>		Named after Elizabeth Wilson, née Williams, (b. 1836?). She was the wife of William Barbour Wilson (1819-1897).	Central city	<p>William Wilson was a nurseryman, businessman and local politician. His wife was the eldest daughter of John and Isabella Williams.</p> <p>In a subdivision of Rural Section 48, land owned by William Wilson.</p> <p>Williams Street appears on an 1874/75 Deposit Plan and first appears in street directories in 1883.</p>	Barbour Street, Charles Street, Grafton Street, Grenville Street, Henry Street, Laurence Street, Short Street and Wilsons Road.	<p>“<a href="#">Rural sections chosen</a>”, Lyttelton Times, 15 March 1851, p 7</p> <p>Plan of suburban property (Rural Section 48) situated on the Ferry Road near the East Town Belt belonging to William Wilson Esq., Deposit Plan 27 1874/75. Map held by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.</p> <p>[The land, 200 acres in Ferry Road, had originally been purchased by G. Draper and his son-in law, James Edward FitzGerald (1818?-1896).]</p>	<p><a href="#">The descendants of John and Mary Gebbie</a>, p 15</p> <p><a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a>, p 2</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">William Barbour Wilson</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W620</p> <p>“William Wilson – landowner and early nurseryman”, The Press, 20 May 1978, p 13</p>

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<b>Willis Place</b>		Named after William Henry Willis (1894?-1959).	Spreydon	Willis, a builder, was a resident of the street in 1950, the year it first appears in street directories.			
<b>Willock Place</b>	Willock Street	Named after the Reverend William Willock (1815-1882).	St Martins	<p>Willock arrived in Canterbury in 1850. He bought Rural Section 11, 100 acres on the south bank of Lower Heathcote river. He built a sod cottage, Opawaha, where the driveway of 52 Albert Terrace is now located. He was the first European to settle in St Martins.</p> <p>Willock Street first appears in street directories in 1981. The street was split into two in 1997 at the request of residents, becoming Willock Place and April Place.</p>	April Place	<p><a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand: list of sections purchased to April 30, 1863</a>, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">Rural Sections chosen</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 1 March 1851, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a>, pp 175-176</p> <p><a href="#">St Martins School: our special school, 1956-2006: St Martins School jubilee</a>, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board agenda 6 June 2001</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Passenger list for the Randolph</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Blain Biographical Directory of Anglican Clergy in the Pacific</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", Star, 1 June 1882, p 4</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W559</p>

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<b>Willow Street</b>			Central city	<p>First mentioned in The Press in 1880 when the Christchurch City Council called for tenders for its “forming and shingling”.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1885.</p>		<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 8 July 1880, p 3</p>	

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<b>Willowbrook Place</b>		Named after Willowbrook, the town house in Fendalton Road belonging to, and named by, John Barton Arundel Acland (1823-1904). He named his property after the childhood home of his wife.	Fendalton	<p>William Widdowson (1833-1915) originally bought the land, part of Rural Section 60, from William Guise Brittan in 1865 and built a 12-room house. He advertised the property for sale in 1868, as it was too far for his sons to travel to Christ's College every day.</p> <p>Acland bought the property on 5 March 1874 and by the time Widdowson advertised an auction of his stock and chattels later that month the property had been named Willowbrook.</p>	86-100 Chester Street East	<p>“<a href="#">Rural sections chosen</a>”, Lyttelton Times, 22 March 1851, p 6</p> <p>"For sale upon favourable terms", The Lyttelton Times, 29 April 1868, p 3</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 13 March 1874, p 3</p> <p>Information about William Widdowson researched by a descendant, Peter Mills, in 2011.</p> <p><a href="#">My early days</a>, p 1</p> <p>"Maurice R. Carter Ltd. built "Home of Year", The Press, 10 November 1958, pp 16-18</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: A7 &amp; T403</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Henry John Chitty Harper</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a></p> <p>“Obituary”, <a href="#">The Canterbury Times</a>, 25 May 1904, p 43</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, The Press, 16 December 1916, p 10</p> <p>"An historic site", The Press, 10 November 1958, p 20</p>

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				<p>Acland was a barrister, sheep farmer, and politician. He married Emily Weddell Harper (1830-1905), daughter of Bishop Harper. Her sister Ellen Shephard Tripp (1834-1916) married Acland's business partner Charles George Tripp (1826-1897). She describes in her book their early life at Willowbrook, a house standing on the border of Slough and Eton, in England.</p>			

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				<p>The Christchurch Willowbrook was demolished about 1956 when the land was subdivided.</p> <p>By 1958 five homes had been built there and half of the total subdivision had been sold. A Home of the Year had been built there by Maurice R. Carter Ltd.</p> <p>First appears in street directories 1960.</p>			
<b>Willowcreek Lane</b>			Northwood	<p>An extension to Clearwater Lane</p> <p>Named in 2000.</p>		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 31 May 2000</a>	
<b>Willowview Drive</b>			Redwood	<p>In the Redwood Springs subdivision.</p> <p>Named in 2001.</p>		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 6 June 2001</a>	

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<b>Willryan Avenue</b>		Named after William Nicholas Ryan (1885-1950).	New Brighton	This was the first road developed through a block of land once owned by Ryan. The name was suggested by his wife, Mary Catherine Ryan (1892-1978).  First appears in street directories in 1960.		Information supplied in 2008 by Ryan's son, Jack Ryan, in a letter to Margaret Harper.	

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Wilmer Street		Named after George Wilmer (1816-1904).	Central city	<p>Wilmer imported horses and cattle, leased Packer's brewery and founded the Christchurch Veterans' Cricket Club. He lived in Durham Street near where this street was developed. In 1903, he was supposedly the oldest cricketer in the world.</p> <p>A report in the Star of a city council meeting held on 5 April 1880 says "Wilmer's Road" has been "channelled, formed and shingled".</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1883.</p>		" <a href="#">City Council</a> ", Star, 6 April 1880, p 4	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W555</p> <p><a href="#">Early days of Canterbury</a>, p 144</p> <p>"<a href="#">News and Notes</a>", Hawera &amp; Normandy Star, 3 July 1903, p 2</p>



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<b>Wilmers Road</b>			Hornby	<p>Wilmer's Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1898.</p> <p>Teams were engaged in the formation of Wilmers Road in 1933.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1960.</p> <p>Streets in Hornby are not listed separately until then.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">Hunting</a>", Star, 8 August 1898, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">County Councils</a>", The Press, 22 July 1933, p 6</p>	

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<b>Wilmington Place</b>		Named after the Wilmington Municipal Golf Course in North Carolina.	Shirley	The streets in the Fairway Park subdivision are named after American golf courses because it is near the Shirley Links, at the Christchurch Golf Club.  Named in 1998.	Baltimore Green, Birkdale Drive, Fairway Drive, Falconridge Place, Ironwood Lane, Lytham Green, Pepperwood Place, Ridgewood Place, Wild Dunes Place and Wildhawk Lane.	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda July 1998</a>	
<b>Wilmot Street</b>			Northcote	First appears in street directories in 1955.			

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<b>Wilson Street</b>			Islington	On 15 November 1928, Allan Marshall Mackie married Eva Beatrice Musgrove at the Methodist Church, Templeton. Robert Mackie lived at Wilson Street, Islington.			
<b>Wilsons Road</b>			Lyttelton	Declared a public street as from 1 August 1898.		“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 18 June 1898, p 10	

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<b>Wilsons Road</b>	Wilson Street	<p>Named after William Barbour Wilson (1819-1897).</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Named after the Rev. James Wilson (1813-1886).</p> <p>[The northern section of Wilsons Road is possibly named after William Wilson, the southern section is possibly named after the Rev. James Wilson.]</p>	Waltham, St Martins	<p>Formerly an accommodation road i.e. a route for stock.</p> <p>William Wilson was a nurseryman, businessman and local politician.</p> <p>Wilsons Road was developed in a subdivision of Rural Section 48, land owned by William Wilson. Wilson had a nursery in the vicinity from 1856 and the streets are named after Wilson family members.</p> <p>Also developed on Rural Section 74, 50 acres on the "North Bank of River Heathcote and Hills Road". Land purchased by James Wilson, a clergyman, who built his house on the site of what became Waltham Park.</p>	<p>Barbour Street, Charles Street, Grafton Road, Grenville Street, Henry Street, Laurence Street, Short Street, Williams Street and Wilsons Road.</p> <p>Also Broomfield.</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Rural sections chosen</a>", Lyttelton Times, 15 March 1851, p 7</p> <p>"<a href="#">Rural Sections chosen</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 29 March 1851, p 6</p> <p>Plan of suburban property (Rural Section 48) situated on the Ferry Road near the East Town Belt belonging to William Wilson Esq., Deposit Plan 27 1874/75. Map held by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.</p>	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">William Barbour Wilson</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W590 &amp; W620</p> <p>"William Wilson – landowner and early nurseryman", The Press, 20 May 1978, p 13</p> <p><a href="#">Studies on pioneer Canterbury nurserymen. 1, William Wilson</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Blain Biographical Directory of Anglican Clergy in the Pacific</a></p>

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				<p>His obituary says Wilsons Road is named after him.</p> <p>The street was properly formed and metalled by the Provincial Government in 1862. It was the main thoroughfare from the Heathcote Ferry to the city.</p> <p>Wilson's Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1864 in a report of a meeting of the East Heathcote Road Board.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1885.</p>		<p>[The land, 200 acres in Ferry Road, had originally been purchased by G. Draper and his son-in law, James Edward FitzGerald (1818?-1896).]</p> <p><a href="#">"East Heathcote Road Board"</a>, The Press, 21 June 1864, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">"Obituary"</a>, Star, 19 January 1886, p 4</p>	<p><a href="#">Map of city of Christchurch and suburbs: including the suburbs of Sydenham, Linwood and St Albans</a></p> <p><a href="#">Dullatur</a></p> <p><a href="#">"Local and general"</a>, Star, 8 September 1915, p 4</p> <p>"Early Opawa home put on record", The Press, 8 April 1972, p 12</p>

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<b>Wiltshire Mews</b>		Named after Wiltshire, a county in England.	Avonhead	Named in 1987 by Philip Carter, managing director of the Carter Group which developed the Hyde Park subdivision. Many of the streets there are named after stately homes of England or English placenames.  First appears in street directories in 1991.	Hyde Park	"New release of sections in Hyde Park subdivision", The Press, 20 October 1987, p 40	
<b>Wimbourne Crescent</b>		Named after Wimbourne, in Hampshire.	Aranui	In an area where all the streets are named after places in the county of Hampshire. There is a Christchurch city and a River Avon in Hampshire.  Named in 1955.		"New streets in Christchurch", The Press, 28 June 1955, p 6	

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<b>Winchcombe Street</b>		Probably named after Winchcombe in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.	Central city	First mentioned in The Press in 1890 when tenders were called for “forming, metalling and channelling Winchcombe Street.  First appears in street directories in 1894.		“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 3 May 1890, p 3	
<b>Winchester Street</b>	Princes Street	Named after Winchester College in Hampshire.	Merivale	Princes Street first appears in street directories in 1890.  Re-named Winchester Street on 7 March 1904.  One of a number of streets in the Merivale area named after English public schools.	Cheltenham Street, Naseby Street, Repton Street, Rossall Street, Rugby Street, Sherborne Street, Shrewsbury Street, Stoneyhurst Street, and Tonbridge Street. See also Exeter Street.	“Would road by any other name stay as street”, <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a> , 12 July 1978, p 16  “ <a href="#">Re-naming streets</a> ”, The Press, 8 March 1904, p 5  Christchurch City Council minute book, June 1903-October 1904 held at Christchurch City Council archives.	“ <a href="#">Street names</a> ”, The Press, 13 September 1924, p 13

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<b>Winchester Street</b>		Named after the bishopric of Winchester in Hampshire.	Lyttelton	<p>Named by <a href="#">Captain Joseph Thomas</a> (b. 1803?) and <a href="#">Edward Jollie</a> (1825-1894).</p> <p>One of the original streets of Lyttelton named in 1850. The names were taken from bishoprics listed in <a href="#">Burke's Peerage</a>.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Lyttelton Times in 1852 when 1/4 acre sections there are advertised for sale.</p>		<p><a href="#">Reproduction of Edward Jollie's 1850 map of the proposed city. Department of Lands and Survey. Christchurch. Historical Maps</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 7 August 1852, p 2</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 9 August 1894, p 5e</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", Star, 9 August 1894, p 1</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: J169 &amp; T144</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Joseph Thomas</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p>
<b>Winchfield Street</b>		Named after Winchfield in Hampshire.	Aranui	<p>In an area where all the streets are named after places in the county of Hampshire. There is a Christchurch city and a River Avon in Hampshire.</p> <p>Named on 15 March 1961.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1968.</p>		<p>Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.</p>	



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<b>Windermere Street</b>	Park Road	Named after Lake Windermere, the largest natural lake in England.	Papanui	<p>Park Road first appears in street directories in 1887 running off Blighs Road.</p> <p>Re-named Windermere Street on 24 May 1926 when 21 streets were re-named.</p> <p>A Papanui war memorial street.</p>	Tillman Avenue	<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 28 May 1926, p 17</p>	<p>“<a href="#">Street names</a>”, The Press, 22 February 1926, p 10</p> <p>“<a href="#">Street names</a>”, The Press, 26 May 1926, p 11</p> <p>Chairman's report to the water supply and works committee, Christchurch City Council, 14 November 1945, held at Christchurch City Council archives.</p>

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<b>Winfield Drive</b>		Named after Denis Winfield (1899-1979).	Wigram	<p>Winfield was a farmer from Inglewood, Taranaki. He graduated from the Canterbury Flying School on 17 June 1918.</p> <p>In the Wigram Aerodrome subdivision by Ngāi Tahu Property Ltd where the street names are either of aircraft or taken from the list of the first 100 students at the Flight School established by Sir Henry Wigram in 1917.</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 30 October 2012</a>	<p>Great Britain, Royal Aero Club Aviators' Certificates, 1910-1950 as found on <a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury (NZ) Aviation Co. Ltd: the first one hundred pilots</a></p> <p><a href="#">Wigram Skies</a></p>
<b>Wingate Street</b>		Probably named after Major-General Orde Charles Wingate (1903-1944).	Redwood	<p>Wingate was a British Army officer and creator of special military units in Palestine in the 1930s and during World War II.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1964.</p>			

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<b>Winnipeg Place</b>		Named after Winnipeg in Canada.	Wainoni	<p>One of a number of streets in a subdivision between Ottawa Road, Pages Road and Cuffs Road given Canadian place names.</p> <p>Named because Canadian engineers and workers lived in the area while working for Henry J. Kaiser Co of USA and building the Lyttelton road tunnel. Houses were built for them by Fletcher Construction.</p>	Baffin Street, Huron Street, Niagara Street, Ontario Place, Quebec Place and Vancouver Crescent. See also Ottawa Road.	<p>“Chester Street West or Cranmer Terrace?”, The Press, 28 April 1959, p 7</p> <p>Information supplied in 2005 by Tim Baker in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p>	“Tunnel’s first blast celebrated”, The Press, 22 July 2011, p A7
				<p>After the tunnel was opened in 1964, the Canadians went home and their houses were sold to locals.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Another suggestion is that the streets were named because they were near Ottawa Road.</p> <p>Named in 1959.</p>			

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<b>Winslow Street</b>		Named after Winslow in North Buckinghamshire.	Burnside	First appears in street directories in 1964.			
<b>Winsor Crescent</b>		Named after William Hinnels Winsor (1876-1936).	Spreydon	Winsor was mayor of Spreydon 1916-1918 and a Christchurch city councillor 1920-1925.  A crescent-shaped street developed in a government housing subdivision.  Named in 1937.	Barrington Park. Also Halswell War Memorial.	" <a href="#">Housing scheme in Spreydon</a> ", The Press, 20 September 1937, p 16	" <a href="#">Mr W. H. Winsor</a> ", The Press, 27 September 1926, p 7  " <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 29 December 1936, p 8
<b>Winston Avenue</b>	Railway Street	Formerly Railway Street. Named because of its proximity to the Main North Railway line.  Re-named Winston Avenue. Named after The Right Honourable Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill (1874-1965).	Papanui	Railway Street first appears in street directories in 1927.  Re-named Winston Avenue in 1940 in response to a petition from 20 residents of Railway Street. Churchill was a British statesman, author and prime minister.		" <a href="#">General news</a> ", The Press, 5 November 1940, p 6	

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<b>Winters Road</b>	Winter's Road	Named after Thomas "Tom" Bassell Winter (1805-1875).	Redwood, Mairehau	<p>Winter was a member of the East Avon Road Board from 1864.</p> <p>Winter's Road is first mentioned in the Star 1871 when the contractor engaged to metal it complained to the Avon Road Board about the problems he was having doing the work.</p> <p>Winters Road first appears in street directories in 1900.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">Road Boards</a>", The Press, 13 November 1871, p 3</p> <p>Papanui Heritage Group</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W643</p> <p>"<a href="#">Deaths</a>", The Press, 24 May 1875, p 2</p>
<b>Winton Street</b>			St Albans	<p>First mentioned in The Press in 1901.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 17 January 1901, p 2</p>	

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<b>Wise Street</b>	Crofts Lane was incorporated into Taylor Street.	Formerly Taylor Street. Named after Edward Martin Taylor (1831-1907).  Re-named Wise Street. Named after Herbert William Wise (1874?-1950).  Crofts Lane was named after Alfred John Croft (1870-1954).	Addington	Taylor Street first appears in street directories in 1896. Taylor is a resident.  Crofts Lane first appears in street directories in 1911. Croft, a draper, is a resident. Incorporated into Taylor Street in 1914.  Re-named Wise Street on 27 September 1948. Wise was a Riccarton Borough councillor 1916-1938.		<a href="#">Riccarton, the borough: a short history, Canterbury's founding settlement</a> , pp 115 & 150  "Changes in Riccarton street names", The Press, 28 September 1948, p 6	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : T48  "Obituary", The Press, 6 June 1950, p 3

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<b>Witbrock Crescent</b>		Named after Annie Elizabeth Witbrock, née Ell, (1868-1947).	Burnside	<p>Annie Witbrock is listed in street directories from 1939 living at 184 Burnside Road (later Memorial Avenue). This was near Grahams Road.</p> <p>[Her daughter, Mabel Winifred Witbrock (1893-1991), sold the 22 hectare property for \$1.2 million to City Realities Ltd in 1989. It was one of the last original family properties left in the area and was particularly noteworthy because a raised section running across the land was an old bank of the Waimakariri River.]</p> <p>Witbrock Crescent first appears in street directories in 1977.</p>	Annell Place, Grangewood Lane and Parkham Drive.	<p><a href="#">Fendall's legacy: a history of Fendalton and north-west Christchurch</a>, p 98</p> <p>Information supplied in 2010 by Ngaire Anne Kelly, granddaughter of Annie Witbrock and niece of Mabel Winifred Witbrock, in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p> <p>"Residents rally to save trees", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a>, 20 June 1989, p 1</p> <p>"Trees saved in new plan", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a>, 5 September 1989, pp 1-2</p> <p>"Making space", <a href="#">The Press</a>, 24 February 1992, p 9</p>	

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<b>Withells Road</b>	Part of Hawthornden Road and Withell's Road.	Named after Charles Withell (1831-1916).	Avonhead	Withell was an early settler in the Riccarton area and later a farmer at Brookside.  First appears in street directories in 1924.	Hawthornden Road	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 20 December 1916, p 8	<a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a> Vol 3, p 691  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W653
<b>Wittys Road</b>	Part of Nortons Road. Also Witty's Road.	Named after George Witty (1856-1941).	Avonhead	Witty arrived in Canterbury in 1875. He lived at Avonhead and was the member of parliament for Riccarton 1902-1925. He was appointed to the Legislative Council in 1925.  Witty's Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1944.  Wittys Road first appears in street directories in 1946.	Nortons Road	" <a href="#">Current notes</a> ", The Press, 19 February 1944, p 2	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W664  " <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 21 November 1941, p 4



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<b>Wolsey Place</b>		Named after Cardinal Wolsey (1471-1530).	Hillmorton	Wolsey was an Archbishop of York. Named because of its proximity to Cardinal Drive. Named in 1966. First appears in street directories in 1970.	Cardinal Drive	Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 13 December 1966.	
<b>Wood Lane</b>	Park Lane	Named after William Derisley Wood (1824-1904).	Fendalton	Park Lane is first mentioned in The Press in 1884 in a report of a meeting of the Riccarton Borough Council. First appears in street directories in 1900. Re-named Wood Lane in June 1948 when 24 streets in the Waimairi County were re-named. Wood set up a flour mill at the end of this lane.		<a href="#">Fendall's legacy: a history of Fendalton and north-west Christchurch</a> , p 26 <a href="#">"Riccarton"</a> , The Press, 12 August 1884, p 3 Date of re-naming supplied by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council, in 2006.	<a href="#">"Death"</a> , Star, 3 October 1904, p 3 <a href="#">"Obituary"</a> , The Press, 4 October 1904, p 7c <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W697 <a href="#">The architectural heritage of Christchurch 9, Wood's Mill</a>
<b>Woodard Terrace</b>	Cemetery Lane and Simpsons	Formerly Cemetery Lane.	Somerfield	Named Woodard Terrace on 2 August 1939. The		Bylaws, Finance and Departmental	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of</a>

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	Lane.	<p>Named because of its proximity to Sydenham Cemetery.</p> <p>Also named Simpsons Lane. These are two informal names which do not appear in street directories.</p> <p>Re-named Woodard Terrace. Named after the Woodard family, "a family of very early settlers".</p>		<p>source says: "A letter has been received from the Somerfield Burgesses' Association stating that some time ago the Council requested them to suggest a name for a lane that runs from Somerfield Road to the Sydenham Cemetery at present known as Cemetery Lane and Simpsons Lane, neither of which is considered suitable. The Association therefore suggests that the lane be named Woodard Terrace after a family of very early settlers". John Woodard (1834-1909) is listed in 1890 street directories as a bootmaker of Ferry Road.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1948.</p>		<p>committee, Christchurch City Council minutes, report 31 July 1939 held at Christchurch City Council archives.</p>	<p><a href="#">Canterbury biographies</a>:: W699</p> <p>"<a href="#">Mr John Woodard</a>", Star, 12 October 1909, p 1</p>

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<b>Woodbank Street</b>			Somerfield	Named in 1966.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 13 December 1966.	
<b>Woodbridge Road</b>			Cashmere	First mentioned in The Press in 1904 when Thorrington, "one of the oldest estates in the vicinity of Christchurch" was "disposed of in lots".  First appears in street directories in 1908.		" <a href="#">Important land sale</a> ", The Press, 2 December 1904, p 6	
<b>Woodchester Avenue</b>		Named after Woodchester, the house belonging to Henry Dent Gardiner (1828-1909).	Richmond	Gardiner retired to this house after leaving Purau in 1886. The land around the property was subdivided after his death in 1909. Two "beautifully-situated sections in the Woodchester subdivision, Gardiner's estate, Richmond" are advertised for sale in the		<a href="#">Early Dallington</a> , p 3  "Advertisements", Star, 1 July 1909, p 3  Bylaws, Finance and Departmental committee report, Christchurch City Council minutes, 2 September 1926	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : G36  "Obituary", The Press, 8 February 1909, p 7  "Obituary", Star, 5 February 1909, p 3  "Presbyterian home for the aged", The

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				<p>Star in 1909.</p> <p>The Presbyterian Social Service Association converted the house into a home for elderly women in 1952.</p> <p>Named on 16 September 1926.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1928.</p>		<p>held at Christchurch City Council archives.</p> <p>"<a href="#">City Council</a>", The Press, 28 September 1926, p 10</p>	<p>Press, 29 February 1952, p 3</p>

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Woodcote Avenue		Named after Woodcote, a large house in Hornby.	Hornby	<p>Woodcote was built in 1866 for Strickland Stonestreet Field (1833-1907), a gentleman (he may have been a stock dealer). He was a son of James Field of Field's Run, near Lincoln.</p> <p>Sarah Bassett (1834?-1912) bought Woodcote in 1878. She and Samuel Kennedy Bassett (1840?-1914) were partners with David Morrow in the firm of Morrow Bassett and Co., a large firm which dealt in agricultural implements.</p> <p>Sarah's son, Thomas "Tom" (1859-1907), who was living at Woodcote at time of his marriage in 1880, took over the business that same year.</p>		<p><a href="#">Early Canterbury runs</a>, p 55</p> <p><a href="#">The Papanui County : a concise history</a>, pp 22-23</p> <p>"<a href="#">Marriage</a>", Star, 1 November 1880, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 4 December 1880, p 3</p> <p>"<a href="#">Fires</a>", The Press, 20 December 1912, p 7</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: F106 and B208</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 1 April 1907, p 8</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 14 September 1912, p 20</p> <p>"Sale announcement", <a href="#">The Lyttelton Times</a>, 14 September 1912, p 20</p> <p><a href="#">Templeton: the first one hundred years</a>, p 38</p> <p>"Hornby centennial", The Press, 30 August 1978, p 14</p>

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				The house was burnt down on 19 December 1912, having been sold by a Mr Bailey to a J. Feaver two weeks earlier.  First appears in street directories in 1973.			<a href="#">Paparua County Council history</a> , p 47-
<b>Woodfield Lane</b>			Redwood	The Lane was approved as a name for this right of way in July 2001. However the two parties sharing the right of way were in dispute over this name so it was re-named. Named in 2002.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 30 January 2002</a>	
<b>Woodford Terrace</b>			Ilam	First appears in street directories in 1953.			
<b>Woodgrove Avenue</b>			North New Brighton	First mentioned in The Press in 1919.		" <a href="#">Borough Councils</a> ", The Press, 24 June 1919, p 5	

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<b>Woodham Courts</b>	Part of Woodham Road.		Linwood	A subdivision created in 2004. Originally at 285 Woodham Road with complicated street numbers given to the properties.  Re-named Woodham Courts on 2 November 2007.	Woodham Road	<a href="#">Woodham Road subdivision renamed</a>  “Numbers up for street”, <a href="#">Nor’west news</a> , 10 October 2007, p 2	
<b>Woodham Road</b>	Slaughterhouse Road and Mile Road.	Formerly named Slaughterhouse Road. Named after the slaughterhouse of David Lewis (1825-1874) “at the end of the road on the triangular patch where the old tram ran towards New Brighton”.  Re-named Woodham Road. Named after <a href="#">Woodham</a> , a house once where Woodham Park is now. It also had	Linwood, Wainoni	Money & Hopkins also had slaughter-yards nearby. Sheep and bullocks heads were thrown into pot-holes in the road to fill them up.  Slaughterhouse Road is mentioned in the <a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a> so it was in existence before 1863 and is first mentioned in The Press in 1864.  Re-named Woodham Road in 1883 after a petition from "Messrs C.	Woodham Park	“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 22 June 1864, p 1  “ <a href="#">Heathcote</a> ”, The Press, 19 September 1883, p 3  “The “lad” from Tipperary”, The Star, 31 May 1919, p 8  <a href="#">Early Dallington</a> , p 10	<a href="#">The evolution of a city</a> , p 76  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : L208  “ <a href="#">Dallington</a> ”, The Press, 4 January 1913, p 5

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		the alternative name of Mile Road. Named because it was a mile long when it finished at Kerrs Road.		Cuff, Cowlshaw and others" was received asking for the name to be changed.  Woodham Road first appears in street directories in 1900 with the alternate name of Mile Road. This continues until 1955.			
<b>Woodhaven Place</b>			Parklands	Named in 2003.		<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 17 November 2003</a>	
<b>Woodhouse Street</b>			Linwood	First appears in street directories in 1911.			
<b>Woodhurst Drive</b>		Named after Woodhurst Road in London.	Casebrook	In the Regents Park subdivision where the streets were given London street names.  First appears in street directories in 1993.	Regents Park		



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<b>Woodills Road</b>		Named after John Woodill (1835?-1908).	Akaroa	Woodill was a dairy farmer. Earlier he had been the chief contractor in roading Banks Peninsula, including the Summit Road. Woodills Road was developed where he had lived.		<a href="#">Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board agenda 7 July 2010</a>	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser, 16 June 1908, p 2  " <a href="#">Death</a> ", Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser, 16 June 1908, p 2
<b>Woodlands Place</b>		Probably named because of the many pine trees in the area, likely to have been planted by John Breeze (1849?-1922).	Aranui	First appears in street directories in 1973.	Breezes Road	Information supplied in 2007 by Tim Baker in an interview with Margaret Harper.	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : B698  "New Aranui subdivision", The Press, 11 July 1972, p 14
<b>Woodlau Rise</b>			Huntsbury	First appears in street directories in 1987.			

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<b>Woodville Street</b>			Edgware	<p>First appears in The Press in 1907 when land there is advertised for sale. It is described as being in the Kensington Estate.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1909.</p>		<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 28 December 1907, p 14</p>	

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<b>Wooldridge Road</b>	Woolridge's Road and Coster's Road.	Named after Henry Wooldridge (1837-1906).		<p>Originally an accommodation road i.e. a route for stock.</p> <p>Thomas Coster (1892-1887) bought Rural Section 140, 50 acres on the "Harewood Road by Papanui", land originally purchased by E. Meryon. Coster formed the road to give access to his property.</p> <p>Woolridge's Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1895 in a report of a meeting of the Riccarton Board.</p> <p>Henry Wooldridge was an orchardist of Harewood Road.</p> <p>First appears in Wise's street directories in 1906, running off Harewood Road.</p>		<p><a href="#">Settling near the Styx River</a>, p 31</p> <p>"<a href="#">Rural sections chosen</a>", Lyttelton Times, 3 May 1851, p 3</p> <p><a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a>, p 4</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: C617</p> <p>"<a href="#">Riccarton</a>". The Press, 21 August 1895, p 6</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", Star, 22 November 1887, p 3</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W735</p> <p>"<a href="#">A Papanui resident's death</a>", New Zealand Herald, 10 July 1906, p 5</p>

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				<p>Coster's Road is an alternate name in 1906 only, appearing in Stone's street directories. Henry Wooldridge (1837-1906), a fruit grower, and his son, William Henry Wooldridge (1862-1948), a pianoforte tuner, are the only residents listed.</p>			

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<b>Woolley Street</b>		Named after Joseph Thomas Woolley (1936-1976).	Avondale	Woolley, an engineer, was manager for Reginald Gordon Vivian Muirson (1913-1990), a builder of 'spec' houses in the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s. He was also Muirson's son-in-law. Named in 1957.	Edna Street, Glenrowan Avenue, Reginald Place, Sharlick Street and Vivian Street.	Information researched during the 1970s by Guy Bliss, a teacher and local historian. "Street naming practices", The Press, 1 June 1957, p 4 "Council news in brief", The Press, 3 September 1957, p 7 Woolley and Muirson's dates supplied in 2008 by Marie Shears, formerly Woolley.	
<b>Woolsack Lane</b>			Central city	Named in 1960.		"Names for new streets", The Press, 22 September 1960, p 14	
<b>Worcester Boulevard</b>	Part of Worcester Street.		Central city	First appears in street directories in 1993.			

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Worcester Street		Named after the English bishopric of Worcester.	Central city, Linwood	<p>One of the original streets of Christchurch named in 1850 by <a href="#">Captain Joseph Thomas</a> (b. 1803?) and <a href="#">Edward Jollie</a> (1825-1894).</p> <p>The names were taken from bishoprics listed in <a href="#">Burke's Peerage</a>.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Lyttelton Times in 1852 when land for sale there is advertised.</p>		<p><a href="#">Reproduction of Edward Jollie's 1850 map of the proposed city. Department of Lands and Survey. Christchurch. Historical Maps</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 1 May 1852, p 1</p> <p><a href="#">Reminiscences of a surveyor, runholder and politician in Canterbury and Otago, 1841-1865</a>, pp 28-29</p> <p><a href="#">Early days of Canterbury</a>, p 27</p> <p><a href="#">The evolution of a city</a>, p 13</p> <p><a href="#">Old Christchurch in picture and story</a>, pp 50-51</p> <p>"Street names in Christchurch", The Press, 6 December 1952, p 3</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: J169 &amp; T144</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 9 August 1894, p 5e</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", Star, 9 August 1894, p 1</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Joseph Thomas</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p>

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<b>Wordsworth Street</b>	Fourth Street and Foster's Road.  Gladstone Street was incorporated into Wordsworth Street.	Formerly Fourth Street. The streets south of, and parallel to, Moorhouse Avenue were named in numerical order. Foster's Road is another early informal name.  Re-named Wordsworth Street. Named after William Wordsworth (1770-1850).  Gladstone Street was named after William Ewart Gladstone (1809-1898).	Sydenham	On an 1879 map Fourth Street appears running from Harper Street (later Orbell Street) to Gasworks Road (later Waltham Road). Fourth Street and Foster's Road never appear in street directories. Fourth Street is first mentioned in the Star in 1874 in a report of a meeting of the Heathcote Road Board.  Wordsworth Street first appears in the Star in 1882 when a house on the corner of Wordsworth Street and Gasworks Road is advertised to let.  First appears in street directories in 1887, running off Hawdon Street.  Wordsworth was one of the English Romantic poets.  One of the "poets and		<a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and suburbs, 1879</a>  "Heathcote Road Board", Star, 10 March 1874, p 2  Report of the street naming committee, Sydenham Borough Council minute book 1879-1880, pp 217 & 315, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  <a href="#">Sydenham : the model borough of old Christchurch : an informal history</a> , p 82  "Borough Councils", Star, 3 August 1880, p 4  "Advertisements", Star, 11 November 1882, p 2  "Borough	"Street names", The Press, 13 September 1924, p 13

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				<p>writers" streets of Sydenham, Addington and Waltham named by a committee of the Sydenham Borough Council on 19 January 1880.</p> <p>The section of Fourth Street running from Colombo Street to Durham Street was re-named Gladstone Street officially on 2nd August 1880, when the street naming committee of the Sydenham Borough Council recommended that "Second, Third and Fourth streets be respectively named Sandyford, Battersea and Gladstone streets, these being the names under which they are dedicated to the public, and which were chosen by the first residents in those streets".</p> <p>William Ewart Gladstone</p>		<p><a href="#">Councils</a>", Star, 3 August 1880, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">General news</a>", The Press, 28 September 1915, p 6</p>	



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				<p>was a British Prime Minister and also brother-in-law to Lord Lyttelton.</p> <p>Incorporated into Wordsworth Street on 27 September 1915.</p>			
<b>Worsleys Road</b>		Named after Henry Francis Worsley (1806-1876).	Cashmere, Cracroft	<p>Also known as the Gorse Track.</p> <p>Worsley emigrated to Canterbury in 1851 aboard the Cornwall. He bought a run on the Selwyn River, 45 acres on Marleys Hill, and some property in what became Hoon Hay. He also constructed the access road named after him. He was the grandfather of Frank Arthur Worsley (1872-1943) who is famed for travelling to the Antarctic with Shackleton. C. N. Worsley, the artist, was also a relative. He died in Melbourne.</p>		<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, Star, 27 December 1919, p 7</p> <p>“<a href="#">Place names on Port Hills-Akaroa Summit Road</a>”, The Star, 20 November 1920, p 10</p> <p>“Hoon Hay, tranquil valley of the Port Hills”, The Press, 27 June 1970, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a>, p 245</p> <p><a href="#">Shackleton’s captain: a biography of Frank</a></p>	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">Frank Arthur Worsley</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W758</p> <p>“<a href="#">Death</a>”, West Coast Times, 18 August 1876, p 2</p>

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				<p>First mentioned in the Star in 1919 when the Bushbury Estate was auctioned.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1946.</p>		<a href="#">Worsley</a> , pp 12-17	
<b>Worthy Street</b>		Named after Edward Athelstan "Buss" Worthy (1843-1894).	Ilam, Avonhead.	<p>Worthy was a housemaster at <a href="#">Christ's College</a> 1868-1893.</p> <p>One of the streets in a subdivision formed on land belonging to <a href="#">Christ's College</a>.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1951.</p>	Corfe Street, Godfrey Place, Hare Street, Holderness Place, Parr Place, Sayers Crescent, Tripp Place and Tyndale Place.		<p>“<a href="#">Sad drowning accident</a>”, The Press, 10 December 1894, p 5</p> <p>“<a href="#">Edward Athelstan Worthy</a>”, Star, 10 December 1894, p 4</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: W762</p>

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<b>Wrey Jury Lane</b>		Named after Wrey Hamilton Jury (1917-2003).	Dallington	Jury was a former long-standing owner and local identity. He was enrolled at the Summer School for Deaf Children in 1926.  Developed in 2005 by Horncastle Homes.		<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 16 March 2005</a>	<a href="#">They hear with the eye : a centennial history of the Summer School for deaf children, Christchurch, New Zealand, 1880-1980</a> , p 138
<b>Wrights Road</b>		Named after James Wright (1817-1891).	Addington	Wright farmed on a 100 acre dairy farm called Palm Tree Farm on Lower Lincoln Road. He was there as early as 1860. It is advertised for sale in The Press in 1864. It cannot have sold as Wright advertises his dairy cows at Palm Tree Farm for sale in 1880. His property is said to be "adjoining Hillmorton".  A letter from Wright was received by the Riccarton Road Board in 1872 asking it to gravel the road leading from "the Lincoln road" to his farm. The request was		" <a href="#">Jury list for 1860</a> ", Lyttelton Times, 19 May 1860, p 2  " <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 28 June 1864, p 1  " <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 9 March 1880, p 3  " <a href="#">Riccarton</a> ", The Press, 6 September 1872, p 3	

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				denied. Wrights Road first appears in street directories in 1896.			
<b>Wroxton Terrace</b>	Selwyn Road	Formerly Selwyn Road. Probably named after Frederick Selwyn (1849?-1938).  Re-named Wroxton Terrace. Named after the Wroxton Estate which, in turn, was probably named after Wroxton, a village in Oxfordshire.	Merivale, Fendalton	Selwyn Road first appears in street directories in 1908. Selwyn, a gardener, is listed as living in Idris Road in 1906. He stayed there until 1910, when he moved to nearby Kenilworth Road (later Stratford Street).  Wroxton Terrace is first mentioned in The Press in 1909.  First appears in street directories in 1911.	Wroxton	<a href="#">Fendall's legacy: a history of Fendalton and north-west Christchurch</a> , p 25  “ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, Star, 13 November 1909, p 11	
<b>Wyatt Place</b>			Russley	First appears in street directories in 1977.			
<b>Wychbury Street</b>		Named after Wychbury Hill near Hagley, Stourbridge, in Worcestershire in	Spreydon	The Lyttelton family seat is Hagley Hall in Worcestershire.  Several streets in this	Hagley Park. Also Bewdley Street, Clent Lane,	<a href="#">The Canterbury Association: a study of its members'</a>	<a href="#">The evolution of a city</a> , p 9  “ <a href="#">Suicide of Lord Lyttelton</a> ”, Evening

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		England.		<p>area have names associated with the Lyttelton family because they were formed on Rural Section 76, 700 acres on the "Lower Lincoln Road, Heathcote Bridge", purchased by Frederick Spencer, 4th Earl Spencer (1798-1857) and Conway Lucas Rose (1817-1910). Spencer's interest in the land was passed on to his nephew, the Hon. George William Spencer Lyttelton (1847-1913), the 4th son of George William Lyttelton, 4th Baron Lyttelton (1817-1876).</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1905.</p>	<p>Cobham Street, Frankleigh Street, Gleig Place, Glynne Crescent, Lyttelton Street, Stanbury Avenue, (formerly Droitwich Street), Stourbridge Street and Sumner Street. Also Conway Street and Rose Street.</p>	<p><a href="#">connections</a>, p 67  <a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a>, p 2  <a href="#">"Rural Sections chosen"</a>, The Lyttelton Times, 29 March 1851, p 6</p>	<p>Post, 22 May 1876, 2</p>
<b>Wychwood Crescent</b>			Bishopdale	<p>First appears in street directories in 1970.</p>			

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<b>Wycola Avenue</b>			Hei Hei	First appears in street directories in 1960.  Wycola Avenue was at first considered to be in Hornby, streets of which are not listed until 1960. It was later listed in Hei Hei.			
<b>Wyn Street</b>			Hoon Hay	First appears in street directories in 1952.		"Brave new life in the suburbs", The Press, 8 May 1993, p 9	
<b>Wynand Place</b>		This is a punning reference to racing. It is pronounced "win and".	Sockburn	So named because it is opposite the Riccarton Racecourse.  First appears in street directories in 1991.		"More themes in street names", <a href="#">The Christchurch Mail</a> , 23 February 1999, p 6	

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<b>Wyndham Street</b>	James Street and William Street.	Named after James William Horner (1855-1913). Re-named Wyndham Street.	Papanui	James' father William Horner (1833-1905) was the first blacksmith in Papanui. James was also a blacksmith.  James Street first appears in street directories in 1887.  Re-named William Street in 1914.  Re-named Wyndham Street on 24 May 1926 when 21 streets were re-named.	Frank Street, Horner Street, Lofthouse Street, Mary Street and Proctor Street.	" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 28 May 1926, p 17	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : H765  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 22 February 1926, p 10  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 26 May 1926, p 11
<b>Wyon Street</b>		Named after Benjamin Wyon (1802-1858) and his son, Alfred Benjamin Wyon (1837-1884).	Linwood	Both men were medalists, die-sinkers, seal engravers and painters. Benjamin Wyon was Chief Engraver to the Seals and created the first Public Seal which arrived in New Zealand in 1841. The second was approved by Queen Victoria in 1848. Alfred Wyon designed the third seal, used 1881-1903.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", Press, 29 October 1906, p 11	<a href="#">Seals of the realm</a>

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				<p>The seal represents the constitutional authority of the Crown in New Zealand.</p> <p>Formed in the early 20th century. A section for sale there is advertised in The Press in 1906.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1908.</p>			
<b>Wythburn Lane</b>		Named after Wythburn, a village that once existed in Cumbria. It was drowned in 1894 when the Thirlmere reservoir and dam were created.	Westmorland	<p>Named to continue the established Westmorland theme of naming streets after places in the district of Cumbria in England.</p> <p>Named in 2013.</p>	Westmorland	<p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 17 September 2013</a></p> <p><a href="#">Minutes of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 17 September 2013</a></p>	



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<b>Yaldhurst Road</b>	A part of Harewood Road	Formerly a part of Harewood Road. Named because it runs through the suburb of Harewood which, in turn, is named after Lord Henry Thynne Lascelles, the 3rd Earl of Harewood (1797-1857).	Upper Riccarton, Sockburn, Russley, Avonhead, RD 6	Harewood Road appears on an 1866 map. Yaldhurst Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1888. Yaldhurst Road first appears in street directories in 1905.	Harewood Road. Yaldhurst	<a href="#">Map of province of Canterbury, New Zealand, 1866</a> "Templeton", The Press, 7 June 1888, p 6 <a href="#">The Papanui County : a concise history</a> , p 6	<a href="#">The Canterbury Association: a study of its members' connections</a> , p 63 <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : D193 "Yaldhurst", The Press, 18 August 1908, p 8

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		<p>Re-named Yaldhurst Road                      Named because it runs through the suburb of Yaldhurst which, in turn, is named after Yaldhurst, the racing stables and stud owned by Frederick William Delamain (1835-1910). Delamain had named the stables after his uncle's home in Exeter, England.</p> <p>Yald means: old and hurst means: hillock or sandbank.</p>					
<b>Yale Street</b>			Spreydon	Named on 29 March 1956.		“New street names”, The Press, 2 April 1956, p 7	

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<b>Yardley Street</b>	Dalwood Place		Avonhead	Dalwood Place first appears in street directories in 1964.  Re-named Yardley Street in 1968.		“Naming streets”, The Press, 22 March 1968, p 1	
<b>Yarmouth Street</b>		Named after Yarmouth, a town on the Isle of Wight, England.	Aranui	In an area where all the streets are named after places in the county of Hampshire. There is a Christchurch city and a River Avon in Hampshire.  When the Aranui Speedway closed in 1959 this street was developed.  Named on 15 March 1961.  First appears in street directories in 1964.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.	

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<b>Yellowstone Crescent</b>		Named after Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming.	Burwood	In a subdivision where all the streets were given American place names.  First appears in street directories in 1981.	Idaho Place, Michigan Place, Oregon Place, Seneca Place, Tucson Place, Utah Place and Wichita Place.		
<b>Yeovil Place</b>		Named after Yeovil, a town in Somerset.	St Albans	In a subdivision of two streets where place names from Somerset were used.  Named in 1955.	Frome Place	“Names chosen for city streets”, The Press, 20 September 1955, p 15	

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<b>Yew Tree Lane</b>		Named after the yew tree in the subdivision.	Hillmorton	In the first stage of Linden Grove, a Ngāi Tahu subdivision developed on part of the former gardens of the Sunnyside Hospital. Named in 2007.	Albion Lane, Benjamin Mountfort Close, John Campbell Crescent, Levinge Lane, Linden Grove Avenue, Pavilion Crescent, Spruce Lane, The Oval, The Wickets, The Willows and Thomas Cane Lane.  Also Linden Grove.	<a href="#">Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board agenda 17 July 2007</a>	
<b>York Street</b>	Balls Road	Formerly Balls Road. Named after Robert Ball (1822?-1890).	Waltham	Ball, his wife Jane (1825-1887) and son Robert (b. 1854?) arrived in Lyttelton on the Mystery		Information supplied in 2007 by Gary Dillon of Wanaka, a	View the biography of <a href="#">Joshua Strange Williams</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New</a>

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		Re-named York Street.		<p>in 1859. Ball worked as a blacksmith and later established a coach service and blacksmith's shop in Balls Road. He ran a coach to Opawa in January 1880, the first American coach imported into Canterbury.</p> <p>Balls Road was developed in 1874 through land formerly owned by Joshua Strange Williams (1837-1915).</p> <p>First mentioned in the Star in 1894 when a property is advertised for sale there.</p> <p>Re-named York Street by 1888. An Edward Ball is listed in street directories as then living in the street.</p> <p>Both street names were used concurrently for a time.</p>		<p>descendant of Robert Ball, in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p> <p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, The Press, 18 February 1888, p 7</p> <p>“Early Opawa home put on record”, The Press, 8 April 1972, p 12</p>	<p><a href="#">Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">Passenger list of Mystery 1859</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: B84</p> <p>"Early Opawa home put on record", The Press, 8 April 1972, p 12 [This article says the street was formerly named John Street. This does not appear in street directories.]</p>

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<b>York Tong Place</b>		Named after the English equivalent of the developer's father's name.	Addington	The family had lived in Christchurch for some time and it is believed they owned the Pagoda Court Restaurant in Colombo Street.  The cul-de-sac was created in the 4th stage of the subdivision in 1994.		Spreydon/Heatcote community board special meeting 2 December 1993	
<b>Young Street</b>			Somerfield	First appears in street directories in 1904.			
<b>Yukon Place</b>			Hornby South	The streets in this business subdivision have a Canadian theme.  First appears in street directories in 1995.	Anchorage Road, Calgary Place, Canada Crescent, Edmonton Road, Klondyke Drive and Prairie Place.		

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<b>Zig-Zag</b>			Sumner			<a href="#">Sumner to Ferrymead: a Christchurch history</a> , p 209	