

## SECTION 127 – Melbaville Township

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1840s TPE Thompson –

Buildings & Streets –

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### 1840-1850

Section No 127 Hutt Valley (Upper)

- This Section was selected by Robert PARK for T P E THOMPSON the original owner of Preliminary Land Order No 976 was transferred by the original owner George Samuel EVANS 17<sup>th</sup> September 1839 Regt of Transfers in England No 69.
- A Supplementary Land Order issued for 75 acres for T P E THOMPSON for this Land Order.
- Claim 1770 Grant No 7647 [written in pencil Applicant No 1170]

*(Source Archives New Zealand Wellington reference ADXS 19555 LS-W65 3 43 register of Hutt Valley selections and also outwards letters October 1848 to November 1850)*

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### 1850-1860

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### 1900-1910

1902-1903 Township of Melbaville Upper Hutt

- 07 November 1902 – DG Wellington Extracts from 19297/17 Submitting tracing of “Georgetown” for Governors approval – I have the honour to forward herewith tracing of the above township for the Governors approval and in doing so would like to point out that in neither cases is the main street 99 feet wide but as they front on existing main road 66 feet wide perhaps the Minister may exercise the power conferred on him under the Town’s Main Streets Act 1902. Signed John Strachon CS
- 21 November 1902 – Chief surveyor to Land Transfer Draftsman Office – Georgetown the name of the above must be altered as there is already a Township of this name in Otago. I think the main road Wellington - Wairarapa need be more than 66 feet wide this should have been stated at the time the plan was sent up for the Surveyor General’s approval. It will be necessary for you to return the plan to the surveyor for him to substitute another name. The meridian and perpendicular lines disfigure the plan. In future please write on one subject only. Plan returned herewith for amendment
- 24 November 1902 from Mr Smith to W S Buck surveyor – Georgetown – the above name for the Township you surveyed at the Upper Hutt was submitted to the Surveyors General from the Governor’s approval but owing to a Township of the same name already existing in Otago he suggest that you submit another name
- 23 January 1903 from Stafford, Treadwell & Field Barristers & Solicitors to Chief Surveyor – refer to subdivision plan of part section 127 Hutt district in the Land Transfer Office by Mr **George Brown** we are instructed by **Mr Brown** to suggest the name **Melbaville** in place of **Georgetown** which had been rejected on account of the existence of another township of that name in the Colony
- 30 January 1903 from Mr Smith to Stafford, Treadwell & Field – I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23<sup>rd</sup> instant forwarding the name of Melbaville for the above subdivision and beg to inform you that the name had been sent on to the Surveyor General for the Governor’s approval
- 30 January 1903 from Mr Smith to Surveyor General – Part section 127 Hit District proposed Township of Melbaville (similar information to above letter seeking approval of new name)
- 05 February 1903 from Surveyor General to Chief Surveyor – Proposed Township of Melbaville Hutt District – acknowledge receipt of memo re proposed Township – omitted to advise me as to width of the Main Street in this Township – The name Melbaville is approved
- 11 February 1903 from Commissioner of Crown Lands to Surveyor General Proposed Township of Melbaville Hutt District – refer memo S.G. 45090 of 5<sup>th</sup> instant re wellington – Wairarapa main road is the principal thoroughfare on the south-eastern side of it. This road

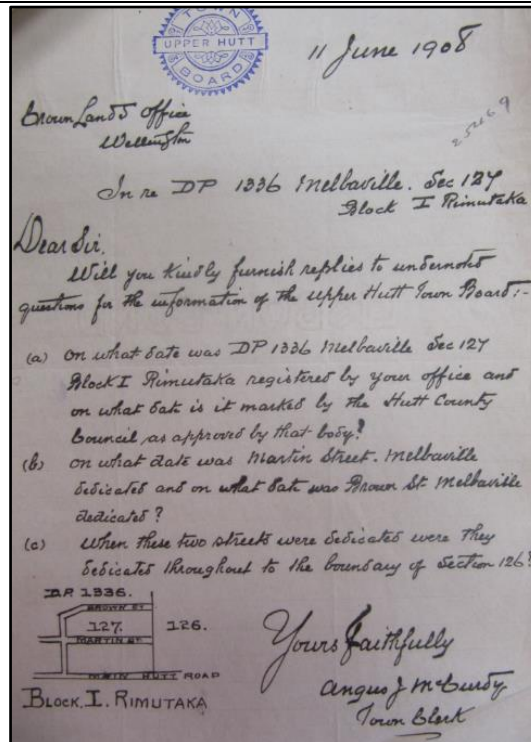
66 feet will be sufficient for all requirement - other streets will not require more than 66 feet wide

- 27 February 1903 from Surveyor General to Chief Surveyor Town of Melbaville Upper Hutt main Street 66 feet wide will be sufficient notification in the New Zealand Gazette of the 19<sup>th</sup> February 1903 page 531 authorised the laying off of the Main Streets in Melbaville
- 19 February 1903 No 12 page 531 copy of New Zealand Gazette publication = Authorising the Laying off of the Main Streets in the Township of Melbaville of a Width of 66 Feet – Department of Lands and Survey Wellington 17<sup>th</sup> February 1903 – In pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 2 of “The Town’s Main Streets Act 1902”, I do hereby authorise the laying off of the main streets in the Town of Melbaville Wellington Land District of a width of 66 feet instead of 99 feet as prescribed by section 17 of “The Land Act 1892”. C H Mills for Minister of Lands
- 05 March 1903 from Chief Surveyor to Surveyor General Town of Melbaville Upper Hutt forward separate cover plan of above town for His Excellency the Governor’s approval
- 18 March 1903 from Surveyor General to Chief Surveyor in reply to your memorandum of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant No 22544 I return in separate packet the plan of Melbaville Township approved by the Governor in terms of section 18 of “The Land Act 1892”. Enclosure 1 plan

NOTE – there were no plans in this set of records

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ADXS 19483 LS-W1 429 22544 Township of Melbaville Upper Hutt Year 1902-1903)

1908 Melbaville Section 127 Block 1 Rimutaka DP 1336



(Reference Lynly images saved IMG\_2225 & Archives NZ Wellington ADXS 19483 LS-W1 509 25469 DP 1336 Melbaville Section 127 Block 1 Rimutaka years 1908)

1908 Melbaville Section 127 Block 1 Rimutaka DP 1336

- 11 June 1908 from Angus McCurdy Town Clerk to Crown Land Office Wellington – In re DP 1336 Melbaville Section 127 Block I Rimutaka – Dear Sir will you kindly furnish replies to undermentioned questions for the information of the Upper Hutt Town Board - MAP drawn on the bottom of the page (saved Lynly IMG\_2225)
  - a) On what date was DP 1336 Melbaville Section 127 Block I Rimutaka registered by your office and on what is it marked by the Hutt County Council as approved by that body
  - b) On what date was Martin Street Melbaville dedicated and on what date was Brown Street Melbaville dedicated
  - c) When these two streets were dedicated were they dedicated throughout to the boundary of Section 126

- 16 June 1908 from Chief Surveyor to Clerk Upper Hutt Town Board Upper Hutt – Township of Melbaville DP 1336 part section 127 Hutt – I have the honor to inform you that the above plan was not received in the Crown Land Office but in the District Land Register Office. I am in a position however to answer your several questions.
  - a) The plan was received in this office of the District Land Registrar on the 16<sup>th</sup> September 1902 was received in the Land Transfer Branch of the Survey Office for examination on 17<sup>th</sup> September 1902 was examined and approved by the Chief Surveyor on 25<sup>th</sup> March 1903 and was received for deposit by the district Land Registrar on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 1903. For evidence of receipt of proof of formation of streets see answer (b)
  - b) Marton, Wilson, Princess and Brown Streets as shewn on DP 1336 were dedicated on 18/5/1903 by memorandum of transfer No 45116 which contains all necessary certificate as to formation of streets and approval of same by the local body
  - c) Martin and Brown Streets are dedicated up to the boundary line between sections 126 and 127

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## 1910-1920

### 1912 Town of Melbaville Extension No 1

- 16 April 1912 from Chief Surveyor Department of Lands to Surveyor General – Plan of the Town of ~~Palfrey~~ *Melbaville Extension No 1* part of Section 126 Hutt surveyed by Mr H P Hanify – I have the honor to forward herewith the above plan for the approval of the Governor in terms of Section 16 of “The Land Act 1908”. The roads are 66 feet wide and the lots have been laid off at right angles thereto. It is to be noted that this subdivision lies between the Town of Melbaville and the Town of Bentinck and it is a question whether or not the name should be changed to Bentinck extension No 2 or Melbaville extension no 1. Leaving the question of the name to you I have other wise to recommend that the plan be approved forwarded to the Governor for his approval as required by the above mentioned section of the Land Act 1908
- 25 April 1912 from Surveyor General to Chief Surveyor – Town of ~~Palfrey~~ *Melbaville Extension No 1* – Referring to your memo of the 16<sup>th</sup> instant forwarding the above township for the approval of the Governor I have to inform you that the name will have to be changed. As you suggest (the town lying between Melbaville and Bentinck) the name must either be Bentinck Extension No 2 or Melbaville Extension No 1. Will you please inform the owner and ascertain the name and it can be changed in this office and the plan forwarded for His Excellency’s approval
- 27 May 1912 from Acting Chief Surveyor Department of Lands to Surveyor General – Plan of Town of ~~Palfrey~~ *Melbaville Extension No 1* – I have the honor to state that the owner of the above subdivision is agreeable to the name changed from the above to Melbaville Extension No 1
- Carbine copy of letter below
- 10 June 1912 from Under Secretary to Hon Minister of Lands – Town of Melbaville Extension No 1 – The accompanying recommendation to the Governor to approve the plan of Melbaville Extension No 1 Town Wellington Land District is respectfully submitted for your signature should it meet with your approval. The scheme of subdivision is in accordance with requirements and the proposed name suitable. I have the honor to recommend that you exercise the power conferred upon you by Section 15 of the Lane Act 1908 and authorise the laying off of Williams. Martin, Brown, Wood streets, Benzie avenue, Palfrey Street, Blenheim streets in the above town of a width of not less than 66 feet. Attached also for your signature is the usual authority for the laying off of the main roads in the town of a wide of 66 feet in the event of your approving of the same
- 18 June 1912 from Minister of Lands – Wellington 18 June 1912 His Excellency the Governor is respectfully advised to sign as approved the accompanying plan of Melbaville Extension No 1 Town in terms of Section 16 of the Land Act 1908

- 18 June 191 Authorizing the laying off of William, Martin, Brown and Woods streets, Benzie Avenue and Palfrey and Blenheim Streets in the Town of Melbaville Extension No 1 of a width of not less than 66 feet Department of Lands Wellington 18 June 1912 In pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by Section 15 of the Land Act 1908 I do hereby authorize the laying off of **William. Martin, Brown and Wood Streets, Benzie Avenue and Palfrey and Blenheim Streets** in the Town of Melbaville Extension No 1 Wellington Land District is a width of not less than 66 feet instead of 99 feet signed Minister of Lands Thomas Mackenzie [sic] (Gazette No 54 page 1998 20 June 1912)
  - 24 June 1912 from Surveyor General to Chief Surveyor Wellington Town of Melbaville Extension No 1 referring to your memo of the number and date as per margin I beg to return in separate registered parcel the plan of the above Town approved by the Governor in terms of Section 16 of The Land Act 1908 (written in the margin = 28177 606/10 27/5/12  
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ACGT 18190LS1 1812 25/588 Township Melbaville year no date)
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