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made under the

Public Place Names Act 1989— section 3 (Minister to determine names)

I DETERMINE the name of the public place that is Territory land as specified in the attached schedule and as indicated on the attached plan.

Neil Savery Delegate of the Minister

20 May 2005

SCHEDULE

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Division of Griffith: Explorers

NAME ORIGIN SIGNIFICANCE

Captain Cook Park Captain RN James Explorer, Navigator

Cook (1728-1779)

Captain James Cook was born at Marton-in-Cleveland (near Middlesbrough, Yorkshire)

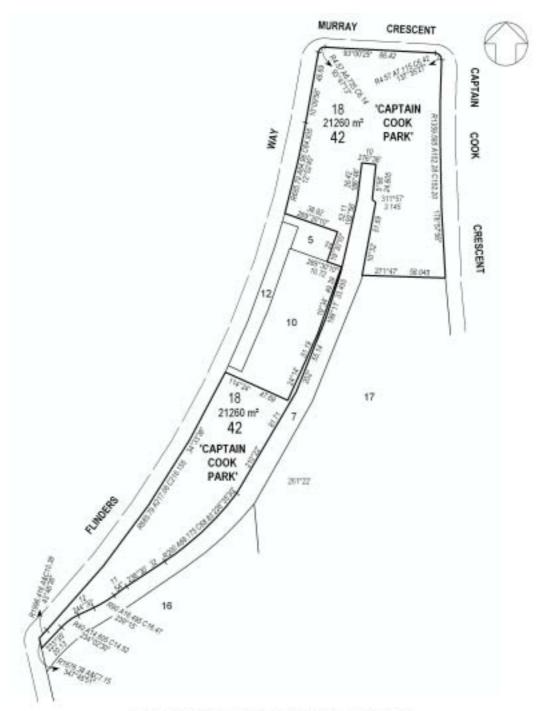
England.

He was apprenticed to a coal shipper of Whitby, later transferring to the navy. Through his work surveying the coast of Newfoundland and the observation of a solar eclipse, he was sent to the South Seas to observe the transit of Venus. He also had secret instructions to determine the existence of the imagined large southern continent.

Cook determined that New Zealand was not part of a southern continent and was two islands. He then sailed west to find the east coast of New Holland (Australia) and charted it. He took formal possession of both New Zealand and the eastern half of New Holland, naming it New South Wales.

Without a chronometer, he charted 8000 kilometres of coast with unusual accuracy. He landed at Botany Bay in 1770 and afterwards sailed along the coast northwards for 1300 miles.

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