

## Deferred submissions report: Te Māniaiti / Benneydale

The NZGB considered this submission report, and the submission report deferred from its 11 April 2019 meeting, at its meeting on 20 June 2019. The NZGB noted new information from the proposers that the Māori name should be 'Maniaiti' without the [Te] or macron.

### Update

At its 11 April 2019 hui the NZGB deferred considering submissions received for Te Māniaiti / Benneydale to allow time for the Maniapoto Māori Trust Board (MMTB) to consult further with Rereahu and the wider community.

The MMTB requested that the NZGB delay its consideration of the proposed name to allow for its further consultation because it had received feedback from iwi/hapū and the wider community about the proposal. A hui to discuss this was planned for 8 April 2019, with further consultation to occur in the following 4-6 weeks with Rereahu and the wider community.

The MMTB confirmed its support for the dual name "Maniaiti Benneydale" [sic] proposal on 24 May 2019, based on Ngatai Rereahu [sic] and the Benneydale community also supporting the dual name proposal. Evidence relating to the consultation has not been provided.

This additional information from MMTB does not alter the Secretariat's recommendation in its Submissions for Te Māniaiti / Benneydale report.

At its meeting on 20 April 2019 the NZGB resolved to:

**Consider** all objecting submissions, including signatories in petitions and late submissions, to alter the unofficial recorded town name Benneydale to an official dual name **Te Māniaiti / Benneydale**,

**and**

**Note** the supporting submissions for **Te Māniaiti / Benneydale**,

**and**

**Reject** all objecting submissions for **Te Māniaiti / Benneydale**,

**and**

**Confirm** its decision to alter the unofficial recorded town name Benneydale to an official and modified dual name **Maniaiti / Benneydale** (without 'Te' and without a macron on the [a]), based on:

- Benneydale being the established name for the town, having been in long term and common use, and the dual name does not remove it,
- Strong support from the local community and people with a connection to the town to retain the name Benneydale,
- Restoration of an original Māori name,
- Maniaiti applying to the town and not just to a wider area, noting this is common practice for original Māori place names, so as to apply them in a modern context,
- An original papakāinga called Maniaiti being located here before the town was constructed, and Maniaiti continuing to be used by local Māori after the town was built,
- Maniapoto Māori Trust Board and Te Maru o Rereahu Iwi Trust support for and agreement to the updated dual name, Maniaiti / Benneydale,
- Recognising that dual names for populated places are not an ideal solution, however noting examples of other dual names around New Zealand have not caused problems, and
- The compelling reasons for equal significance allow the NZGB to make an exception and confirm the updated dual name, Maniaiti / Benneydale,

**and**

**Note** that because the NZGB cannot uphold all objecting submissions, it cannot make the final decision,

**and**

**Report** the NZGB's decision to alter the unofficial recorded town name Benneydale to an official dual name **Maniaiti / Benneydale**,

**and**

**Request** the Minister for Land Information to make the final determination on the proposal.

## Supporting information

01. Deferred proposal report – Te Māniaiti – 2018-09-27
02. Proposal report – Te Māniaiti – 2018-06-28
03. Submissions spreadsheet – Te Maniaiti / Benneydale
04. Copies of the supporting submissions – including two late submissions
05. Copies of the objecting submissions, including two late submissions
- 05a. Late objecting submission M Brown et al - 2019-04-02
- 05b. Late objecting submissions G Reinhardt - 2019-04-10
06. Email from Maniapoto Māori Trust Board – Maniaiti spelling – 2019-03-04
07. Email from MMTB – confirmed support for dual name – 2019-05-24