



New Zealand Geographic Board  
Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa (NZGB)

**MINUTES**

via Skype

Thursday 02 April 2020

Duration: 9.16pm-12.58pm  
Morning tea: 10.24-10.33am

**NOTE:**

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**General**

**1. Karakia | Welcome**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the hui. Wareko Te Angina opened the hui with a karakia.

The Chairperson noted that the business of the NZGB would continue during the lockdown that has been imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Today's hui would be recorded for the benefit of the minutes and as a backup in case of technical difficulties during the hui.

The NZGB noted apologies for lateness from Adam Greenland, Jenni Vernon, Matanuku Mahuika, and observers Philip Green and Sheryll Johnson.

**2. Present | Apologies**

<b>NZGB members (8)</b>	
Anselm Haanen, Chairperson	Surveyor-General, Land Information New Zealand (LINZ)
Adam Greenland (from 10.17am to 12.45pm)	National Hydrographer, LINZ
David Barnes (left for a short time at 10.07am)	Federated Mountain Clubs of NZ Inc.
Michael Roche	New Zealand Geographical Society
Matanuku Mahuika (from 9.25am)	Minister of Māori Development
Paulette Tamati-Elliffe	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (TRONT)
Merata Kawharu	Minister for Land Information
Jenni Vernon (from 11.20am)	Minister for Land Information

<b>NZGB member apology (2)</b>	
Adrienne Staples	Local Government NZ
Tekau Rikirangi Gage	Minister of Māori Development

<b>Observers (5)</b>	
Louise Cox	Operational Policy Advisor, LINZ
Wareko Te Angina	Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori (TTWh)
Ben McGee	Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori (TTWh)
Philip Green (from 10.33am)	Manager Land and Implementation, Te Arawhiti (The Office for Māori Crown Relations)
Sheryll Johnson (from 10.36am)	Department of Conservation

<b>Observer apologies (2)</b>	
Kylie Brown	Kaitikai Reo
Tāmami Olsen	Te Puni Kōkiri

<b>NZGB Secretariat (6)</b>	
Wendy Shaw	Secretary
Jill Remnant	Advisor
Christopher Stephens	Advisor
Daniel Wainwright	Advisor (Treaty names)
Ellen Winter	Advisor, Research and Evaluation
Ryan Fister (from 9.27am)	Spatial Analyst

<b>Minute Taker (1)</b>	
Mandy Leighs	GBL Personnel

### 3. Agenda | Disclosure of conflicts of interest

#### 3.1. Agenda

The Chairperson confirmed that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to meet by teleconference the agenda had been shortened to focus only on items requiring decisions. The items not requiring decisions are noted in red on the updated Agenda and may be commented on if members wish to do so.

There were no further changes to the agenda.

#### 3.2. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared. The Chairperson noted that any conflict relating to a specific agenda item may be advised prior to discussion of that item.

### 4. Previous minutes | Matters arising | Action sheet

#### 4.1. Previous minutes 18 October 2019 | Matters arising | Action sheet

The NZGB noted that it had ratified the minutes of its 18 October 2019 hui at its hui on 11 December 2019.

#### **Item 3.2. Disclosure of conflicts of interest: 15.4. Lancaster Creek and Mount Lancaster:**

The NZGB noted that the person referred to in the disclosure had been wrongly identified and agreed that the reference 'and the proposer is a friend' should be deleted.

#### **Actions required**

- Secretariat to amend minutes of 18 October 2019 as noted above
- Secretariat to advise the proposer for Lancaster of the amendment to the 18 October 2019 minutes

#### 4.2. Previous minutes 11 December 2019 | Matters arising | Action sheet

The NZGB agreed to this amendment:

- **Gaye Searancke's Takeaways (page 8): 1.** Delete 'asserting independence'.

Matanuku Mahuika joined the hui at 9.25am  
Ryan Fister joined the hui at 9.27am

## Resolution

*That the minutes of 11 December 2019 be ratified with the amendment noted above.*

**Moved** David Barnes  
**Seconded** Merata Kawharu  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

## Action required

- *Secretariat to amend the minutes as noted above, obtain the Chairperson's signature and publish an unsigned, updated version on the LINZ webpages.*

### 4.3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

### 4.4. Action sheet

The action sheet was not discussed.

## Strategic direction

### 5. Strategic Plan, Comms, Membership, Relationships

#### 5.1. Strategic Plan version 7.0

##### NZGB discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3960059). The Chairperson advised that he had met with LINZ Chief Executive, Gaye Searancke, who is very supportive of, and committed to, the NZGB's work. She had enjoyed attending the NZGB meeting on 11 December and had wanted to attend today, however circumstances have not permitted her to do so. She is keen to attend future hui and has asked that her greetings and willingness to be involved be conveyed to the NZGB.

The Chairperson advised that good progress had been made since that hui. A communications consultant position has been established for six months to develop a strategic communications plan plus put things in place to enable the NZGB to achieve some of the objectives set out in its strategic plan. LINZ's Chief Executive, Gaye Searancke, has agreed to fund the comms work directly, which indicates the level of support from LINZ for the broader role that the NZGB is looking to take on. This shows a high level of commitment to the NZGB by LINZ's Chief Executive.

The Chief Executive has indicated her support in broad terms for the NZGB to establish a stronger identity, noting that there may be security issues associated with a separate NZGB website. However, she does recognise the importance of the NZGB being seen as its own decision maker, which removes some of the confusion related to identity. The NZGB noted that marketing could focus less on the NZGB itself and more on place names, for example, by renaming the Gazetteer *Place names New Zealand*.

The Chairperson commented on the symbiotic relationship between the NZGB and LINZ, the strong willingness to provide mutual support, and the connection to the Minister of Land Information and the Minister's decision making role. He noted that bearing in mind the current circumstances, good progress had been made.

The Chairperson advised that he and the Secretary had reviewed the Strategic Plan, which had comments from NZGB members incorporated. However, several NZGB members were viewing the amended plan for the first time today. The NZGB noted that the plan has been simplified to place greater focus on the four key areas, ie,

naming places, using official names, outreach (which now includes strong relationships), and improving capability and processes. This includes some ambitious goals, which will set the NZGB in a different direction to the past with place name approvals made in bulk, and a simple and direct approach.

These comments and additional suggestions were noted:

- **What our success looks like in 2025:**
  - Add reference to promoting public awareness and understanding of the NZGB's role, eg, '*better understanding by the public of New Zealand about the Board and its role*'. The NZGB noted that several of the interviewees for the comms position were unaware of the NZGB's role.
  - Refer to restoration of original Māori names as being an achievable and measurable outcome whether made official, restored, or collected.
- **Whakatauki/Proverb:**
  - Noted that this reflects the importance of place names. The difficulty of translating 'turangawaewae' into single words was also commented on.
- **Pepeha/Saying:**
  - (1<sup>st</sup> verse 3<sup>rd</sup> line): Add macron over second [o] in *Ko ngā tohu o ō rātou*.
  - *He Korero Pūrākau Mo Ngā Taunahanahatanga a Ngā Tūpuna*: prior to reprinting the booklet check whether *Mo* should have a macron over the [o].

The observer from Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori agreed to check and advise on the spelling and use of macrons in the document.

#### **Resolution**

*That the NZGB **confirm** version 7.0 of the 5-year NZGB Strategic Plan 2020-2025 with amendments as discussed and **agree** to review as required.*

***Noting** the Chairperson and Secretary will update the Strategic Action Plan as per the NZGB amendments.*

**Moved** Matanuku Mahuika  
**Seconded** Paulette Tamati-Elliffe  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

#### **Further NZGB discussion**

The NZGB agreed that the strategic plan should be reviewed as required rather than every two years to avoid unnecessary tweaking, which could detract from progress.

#### **Actions required**

- *The observer from Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori to review the orthography in the NZGB Strategic Plan 2020-2025.*
- *Chairperson and Secretary to amend the NZGB Strategic Plan 2020-2025 as discussed.*
- *Secretariat to review orthography for name of booklet *He Korero Pūrākau Mo Ngā Taunahanahatanga a Ngā Tūpuna* re whether there should be a macron over the [o] in *Mo*.*

### **5.2. Dedicated Comms support**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3960062), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

### **5.3. NZGB membership**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3960064). The NZGB noted that the footnote on page one should read 'New Zealand Geographical Society Inc.' The NZGB noted that four NZGB appointments have now been confirmed and most members should have now received letters from the Minister for Land Information. The next step will be to gazette the appointments. The NZGB noted that the

Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee had rejected the first nomination made by the Federated Mountain Clubs of NZ Inc. David Barnes therefore continues as an NZGB member. The NZGB noted that a staggered approach to appointing new NZGB members will be established to minimise continuity risks, with an initial 18 month term instead of the standard three year term. The duration of a term could subsequently revert back to three years. The NZGB noted that the process had been frustrating, and the loss of five NZGB members at one time was concerning.

The NZGB noted an email from Adrienne Staples expressing her regret at being unable to join this hui and advising that she has enjoyed her time on the NZGB immensely. She was disappointed that she will no longer be involved and wished the remaining and incoming NZGB members all the best in their endeavours.

The Chairperson noted that in his brief time in the role he has been impressed with the quality, depth of expertise and commitment of all NZGB members, and the individual knowledge and expertise they bring to the table. He thanked outgoing members David Barnes for his expertise and knowledge of the backcountry, Matanuku Mahuika and Tekau Rikirangi Gage for their knowledge of Māori place names, Adrienne Staples for her knowledge of local government, and Michael Roche for his geographical expertise. The NZGB noted that LINZ Chief Executive is keen to look at eventually extending the length of terms beyond three years. The Secretary added her thanks to the outgoing NZGB members, noting that it had been a pleasure working with them, and the Secretariat had appreciated their passion and commitment.

Matanuku Mahuika said he had enjoyed his nine years as an NZGB member. He had learned a lot about the history of New Zealand and noted that the level of knowledge associated with place names is often not appreciated. He acknowledged the great work done by the Secretary and the collegiality of the NZGB's members.

Merata Kawharu also noted her appreciation of the input from all NZGB members and for the way that discussions are conducted at hui. She had learnt much and noted that there will be new challenges ahead for the NZGB.

The NZGB noted that the re-appointment of Paulette Tamati-Elliffe, Jenni Vernon and Merata Kawharu to the NZGB had been confirmed. The NZGB thanked LINZ Policy for its work in addressing NZGB membership continuity and succession concerns.

#### **Action required**

- *Secretariat to amend footnote in report LinZone ID A3960064 to: New Zealand Geographical Society Inc.*

#### **5.4. Strategic relationships**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3960067), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## **Risk Review**

### **6. Dashboard, Budget**

#### **6.1. NZGB Risk Dashboard**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3954346), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

#### **6.2. NZGB Budget 2020/2021**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3957526), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## Standards, agreements

### 7. NZGB Standards (New Zealand, Antarctica, Crown protected areas, Districts & Regions)

#### NZGB discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3958528). The NZGB noted that its members' comments made at the 18 October 2019 hui and updates subsequently suggested had been added to the draft standards for New Zealand and Antarctica.

*David Barnes left the hui for a short time at 10.07am*

**Standard for Crown protected area names:** The NZGB agreed to the draft standard at its teleconference hui on 27 March 2020, with edits still to come from DOC<sup>1</sup>. Public consultation on this standard is not required.

**Standard for altering Region and District names:** The NZGB agreed that this new standard is needed as the proposal process is quite different for Territorial Authorities and Regional Councils. The NZGB noted that some Territorial Authorities and Regional Councils are already using altered names without having gone through the NZGB's process.

The NZGB noted that Te Haumihiata Mason is currently working on te reo Māori introductions for the standards, which the Māori NZGB members may look over if they are received prior to their term on the NZGB ending. The NZGB noted that once they are finalised all four standards would be summarised and posted on the NZGB's website. The NZGB agreed that with the exception of the *Standard for Crown protected areas*, which now only requires the Minister of Conservation's sign off to be final, public consultation on the standards should proceed.

The NZGB agreed that another criterion 'Undesirable names' should be added to section 3 of the draft standards to accommodate names that fall between 'Acceptable' and 'Unacceptable'.

The NZGB noted that there could be high public interest in the standards' criteria and noted that consultation could be deferred given that all media are currently dominated by COVID-19. The NZGB agreed that to achieve a high level of public awareness links to the LINZ and NZGB consultation webpages should be circulated on social media, Rauika, the government's consultation page, and possibly in newspapers. The NZGB agreed that a press release would be warranted. The NZGB agreed that members should provide the Secretary with feedback or comments on the draft *Standard for Region and District names* no later than 30 April 2020. The NZGB also agreed to ask for input from its retiring Local Government NZ member. The NZGB agreed not to defer public consultation until the end of the crisis, and that the three draft standards should be put out to public consultation for 2-3 months as a package as the documents draw off of one another.

*Adam Greenland joined the hui at 10.17am*

#### Actions required

- NZGB members to review the draft *Standard for Region and District names* and provide comments and feedback to the Secretary by 30 April 2020.
- Secretary to request input on the *Standard for Region and District names* from Adrienne Staples, who has local government expertise.
- Secretariat to update the draft *Standard for Region and District names* with NZGB input as required.
- Secretariat to circulate te reo Māori introductions, once received to Māori NZGB members for comment.
- Secretariat to arrange wide public consultation, including on social media, on the three draft standards (CPA standard excepted) as a package.

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<sup>1</sup> Department of Conservation  
NZGB Minutes 2 April 2020  
Linzone ID: A4088212

## 8. NZGB Agreement with LINZ

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3968388), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## 9. Relationship Protocol with Te Puni Kōkiri

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3965753), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## 10. Mahi Tahī with Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3966243), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## Project

## 11. Suburb and locality names

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3969115), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

*Morning tea: 10.24am to 10.30am*

*Philip Green, Te Arawhiti, joined the hui at 10.33am*

*Sheryll Johnson, Department of Conservation, joined the hui at 10.36am*

## Treaty advice **Crown Confidential**

## Standard decisions

## 13. Final decisions on proposals that received objections

### 13.1. Rāpaki names x 13

#### Submissions for 13 proposed names on Banks Peninsula

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3978321). The NZGB requested that 'Rūnaga' on page 2, bullet point 2, be corrected to 'Rūnanga'. The NZGB noted that two ambiguous submissions had been omitted from the statistics in the original report that the NZGB had received, and an updated report had been added to Objective Connect last week. These submissions did not state that they were for the Rāpaki proposals, but it is considered to be likely. The NZGB noted that an overwhelming number of submissions support the proposals and many people had submitted on all 13 proposals. The NZGB noted that the arguments in the objecting submissions were typical, and in particular noted the lack of public understanding about altering to official dual names.

The NZGB noted there appeared to be cutting and pasting across multiple names in individual submissions and discussed how to better manage handling bulk submissions. The NZGB agreed that it needed to assess all

submissions based on their nature and quality, not just their number. The NZGB noted that overall there had been a good level of interest and clear views had been expressed.

### **Resolutions**

*That the NZGB **consider** all submissions on the proposals to alter or assign 13 place names in Banks Peninsula.*  
**and**

***Reject** all of the objecting submissions based on the reasons provided not outweighing those that the NZGB previously accepted for the proposals, being:*

- *long term use of the English name, restoring the original Māori name and the dual name recognising the equal significance of both names,*
- *restoring original Māori names and correcting the orthography for existing original Māori names,*

**and**

***Confirm** the NZGB's earlier decisions to accept the proposals to alter existing official or unofficial and recorded names from:*

- *King Billy Island to **Aua / King Billy Island***
- *Mansons Peninsula to **Kaitangata / Mansons Peninsula***
- *Coopers Knob to **Ōmawete / Coopers Knob***
- *Cass Peak to **Ōrongomai / Cass Peak***
- *Dyers Pass to **Pukeatua / Dyers Pass***
- *Evans Pass to **Tapuwaeharuru / Evans Pass***
- *Sugarloaf to **Te Heru-o-Kahukura / Sugarloaf***
- *The Tors to **Te Moenga-o-Wheke / The Tors**, and amend the location of the feature and the feature type from hill to rocks*
- *Adderley Head to **Te Piaka / Adderley Head***
- *Rapaki to **Te Rāpaki-o-Te Rakiwhakaputa**, noting the removal of the hyphen between Te Rakiwhakaputa*
- *Tihiokahukura/Castle Rock to **Te Tihi-o-Kahukura / Castle Rock***
- *Witch Hill to **Te Upoko-o-Kurī / Witch Hill***

*and to assign a new name:*

- ***Te Ahi-a-Tamatea** to the feature known locally as Rapaki Rock,*

**and**

***Report** the NZGB's decisions to the Minister for Land Information,*

**and**

***Request** the Minister for Land Information to make the final determinations on the proposals.*

**and**

*Subject to the Minister's final determination, the NZGB recommends discussing with Ngāi Tahu and DOC altering the official names of the following associated Crown protected areas, for consistency with the NZGB's recommendations for the associated proposed names:*

- *Witch Hill Scenic Reserve to **Te Upoko-o-Kurī / Witch Hill Scenic Reserve***
- *The Tors Scenic Reserve to **Te Moenga-o-Wheke / The Tors Scenic Reserve***
- *King Billy Island Scenic Reserve to **Aua / King Billy Island Scenic Reserve***
- *Cass Peak Scenic Reserve to **Ōrongomai / Cass Peak Scenic Reserve***
- *Coopers Knob Scenic Reserve to **Ōmawete / Coopers Knob Scenic Reserve***
- *Adderley Head Scenic Reserve to **Te Piaka / Adderley Head Scenic Reserve***
- *Sugarloaf Scenic Reserve to **Te Heru-o-Kahukura / Sugarloaf Scenic Reserve**.*

**and**

***Agree** to approve as official the associated recorded name, Rapaki Bay to **Rāpaki Bay**, through the section 24 'fast-track' process for consistency, subject to Te Rāpaki-o-Te Rakiwhakaputa (locality) being approved as official by the Minister for Land Information.*

**Moved** David Barnes  
**Seconded** Matanuku Mahuika  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

### **Actions required**

- *Secretariat to amend the spelling on page 2 bullet point 2 of the report from 'Rūnaga' to 'Rūnanga'*
- *Chairperson and Secretariat to look at the process for handling large numbers of submissions across multiple place names with a view to relieving pressure on the Secretariat.*
- *Secretary to report the NZGB's decisions to the Minister for Land Information and request her to make the final decisions.*
- *Subject to final determinations, Secretariat to process Rāpaki Bay for approval as official.*
- *Subject to final determinations, Secretariat to discuss altering seven CPA names with TRONT and DOC*

### **13.2. Lancaster**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3957014). The NZGB noted that three submissions objecting to the proposal had been received from, or on behalf of, Muaūpoko iwi. The NZGB noted that the proposer now supports the modified proposal for Lancaster. The NZGB noted that in the past it has sometimes agreed to defer public consultation on a proposal until Treaty settlements in the area are concluded. However, the Treaty settlement process allows for further name changes as required, and there is no sense of an imminent Treaty settlement conclusion. The NZGB noted that the existing name of the mountain is Lancaster and the proposal is to make the name official.

The NZGB noted there may be a misperception that once made official a name cannot be altered, as was the case with Ngāti Rangi who was upset when the NZGB approved Girdlestone Peak on Mount Ruapehu as official. The NZGB noted that they had been advised that this would not prevent an original Māori name being restored under the upcoming Tongariro National Park Treaty settlement negotiations.

The NZGB agreed that should the Minister for Land Information confirm the NZGB's decision, the advice to the objectors should reiterate that making the existing name official would not preclude the name being altered in the future. If an original Māori name is found it can proceed either through the Treaty settlement process or the standard process, as the NZGB Act 2008 provides for restoration of original Māori names.

#### **Resolutions**

***That the NZGB Consider*** all submissions on the proposal to assign as official the existing recorded mountain name **Lancaster**, and their reasons,

**and**

***Reject*** the objecting submissions based on the reasons given relating to consultation and Treaty grievances, not outweighing those reasons for originally accepting the proposal, being long term use, evidence of support or no concerns from tramping clubs, LandsAR, RCCNZ and DOC, and the Honorary Board having previously approved the name,

***Noting*** that no other alternative names have been provided or proposed for the feature, and should an original Māori name be proposed, including under a future Treaty settlement, the NZGB will consider it at that time,

**and**

***Confirm*** the NZGB's earlier decision to accept the proposal to assign as official the recorded (unofficial) mountain name **Lancaster**,

**and**

***Report*** the NZGB's decision to the Minister for Land Information,

**and**

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

**and**

***Note*** that Muaūpoko Tribal Authority objects to 'official recognition of any further names within its customary rohe which are not Muaūpoko names'.

*This may affect making names official using Section 24 NZGB Act 2008 for Agenda items 15.1 and 15.2 as the NZGB may consider that the test that there is 'not likely to be public objection' is no longer be met.*

**and**

***Confirm*** that an amendment to the 18 October 2019 NZGB hui minutes is required RE: conflicts of interest.

**Moved** Merata Kawharu  
**Seconded** Adam Greenland  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

#### **Actions required**

- Secretariat to report the NZGB's decision to the Minister for Land Information and request her final determination on the proposal.
- Secretariat to advise objectors, once the final determination is made, that should an original Māori name exist it could be restored as part of the Treaty settlement process or the standard NZGB process.
- Secretariat to amend 18 October 2019 hui minutes item 3.2. conflicts of interests (discussed earlier under item 4 of these minutes).

## **14. Decisions on proposals that did not receive objections**

### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3942430).

## **15. Recorded names to be approved as official**

### **15.1. Wellington region**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3963269). The NZGB noted that it has already deferred the Wellington City Council (WCC) and Kapiti Coast District Council (KCDC) names twice while waiting on comments or feedback from them. The NZGB noted that Carterton District Council had now responded that it had no concerns with the NZGB approving 114 place names in its jurisdiction as official but WCC and KCDC had requested another deferral but had not advised when they would respond. The NZGB noted that KCDC had requested a meeting with the Secretariat and local iwi which was to have happened on Tuesday 31 March 2020 but did not go ahead because of the COVID-19 lock down.

*Jenni Vernon joined the hui at 11.20am*

#### **Resolution**

That the NZGB **Approve** as **official** the 114 Carterton District Council recorded place names in **Appendix A** of the report based on:

- a licenced Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori translator having confirmed the orthography of the Māori place names,
- the NZGB previously agreeing that the addition of a macron does not prevent a recorded Māori place name being approved as official under section 24 of the NZGB Act 2008 because it is not an alternative name,
- there being no other alternative recorded names known for the features, and
- public objection being unlikely.

Noting that five Māori place names are standardised with macrons,

**and**

**Notify** in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.

**and**

**Consider advising** the Minister for Land Information of the NZGB's decision and when it plans to notify the 114 official place names and **publishing** a media release with the good news story of long-term and common use place names becoming official.

**Moved** Michael Roche  
**Seconded** Jenni Vernon  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

### **Further NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted that it takes all feedback from councils into account and that comments are only requested on place names that are not official and have been in long term use. The NZGB noted that the challenge for councils is to ensure that their iwi partners are comfortable with the place names and that they have the appropriate person on staff to assign the task to. The NZGB noted that some councils are unwilling to risk fast tracking if there is doubt about any of the place names; however, five councils in the Wellington Region have completed the process to date. The NZGB noted that the Secretariat had followed up with WCC and KCDC a number of times with clear explanations of the process and the feedback required.

The NZGB agreed that waiting for feedback from WCC and KCDC could delay the process for months and agreed that they should be given a maximum of six months to respond. The NZGB noted that some place names in the WCC and KCDC lists are bracketed and that changing the brackets to a forward slash would be a significant alteration that would require a proposal to go through standard process. The NZGB noted that the place names with issues such as brackets or where the orthography cannot be determined would be removed from the final list.

The NZGB agreed that it would advise WCC, KCDC and mana whenua of its intention to proceed with making the place names that don't have issues official, and that they be given further opportunity to respond within a timeframe that the Secretariat would decide. The NZGB subsequently agreed to allow a final timeframe of three months for a response from WCC and KCDC, and agreed that if it didn't hear back within that time it would proceed to approve the place names that don't have issues, official with any corrections being made at a later date if required. The NZGB agreed that the Secretariat should decide which region it should process next.

### **Resolution**

*That the NZGB advise Wellington District Council, Kapiti Coast District Council and mana whenua of the NZGB's intention to make the place names within their jurisdictions official in three months' time, and make a final request that they provide comments and feedback, noting that the process will proceed at the end of that period except for any place names that have issues.*

**Moved** Anselm Haanen

**Seconded** Jenni Vernon

**All in favour**

**Carried**

### **Actions required**

- *Secretariat to advise Wellington District Council, Kapiti Coast District Council and mana whenua of the NZGB's intention to proceed with making the place names that don't have issues official in three months' time, and request feedback before then.*
- *Secretariat to complete processing recorded place names in Wellington Region that don't have issues and notify together with the 114 Carterton District Council names as official under section 21(2) NZGB Act 2008.*

## **15.2. Orthography standardisation project**

### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3968704). The NZGB noted that this work followed on from work done in 2019 and that the changes relate only to macrons and not to place names with hyphens, dual place names or other orthographic conventions. The NZGB noted:

- **Appendix C of the report:**
  - *No.3: Lake Ātiamuri:* The feature is named after an ancestor and is not the shortened form noted in the right hand column. The NZGB noted the name refers to the crossing place of Tia.
  - *No.37: Waitematā Harbour:* Add a macron over last [a] in Waitematā-o-Kahumatamomoe (right hand column)

- **Appendix A of the report:** No.130 Ōruawhoro River and No. 131 Ōruawhoro: Further confirmation is needed from local iwi (including Ngāti Whātua) whether there should be a macron over the first [a], based on knowledge of local pronunciation. The NZGB noted that Te Haumihiata Mason has checked all of the names and her advice is either based on categorical knowledge, or if no story is provided, the meaning of the word.

The NZGB was concerned about the process being used for the project in terms of not consulting with local iwi and the risk of the NZGB upsetting iwi, which was the case with Ohakune. The NZGB noted that the project began as the 'Say It Tika' project and had been renamed 'orthographic standardisation' as it continued. The NZGB noted its desire to assess the orthography of all Māori place names in the Gazetteer, and that more than 10,000 Māori place names were still unofficial.

The NZGB noted the initial criteria was based on the 'top 200 Māori place names' searched on Google and matched to the Gazetteer. The NZGB noted for this new tranche of work names have been drawn from matching the Gazetteer to the LINZ Topo 500 data, which has 4192 place names suitable for any future maps of New Zealand produced at 1:500k scale. The NZGB noted that there was probably a bias towards populated place names in the dataset, compared to geographic features.

The NZGB noted that to meet the 'significance' criteria the Chairperson had set, the lists of place names for consideration are those with larger font sizes. The NZGB noted that if the project continued with the 'smaller' place names, there are a further 1,300 smaller localities outside of TRONT's takiwā that could be processed, together with an unknown number of associated place names.

The NZGB noted that under the criteria for both the original tranche and the new tranche of place names, those within TRONT's takiwā had not been assessed. While many place names were being processed under the collaborative project with TRONT, it only covered original Māori place names recorded in Kā Huru Manu, so the outcomes of the two processes are not the same. The NZGB noted that populated place names are generally omitted as they are not 'original', and many 'significant' Māori place names might not be processed as they are not yet published in Kā Huru Manu or are not 'original'.

The NZGB agreed that it would not gazette Ōruawhoro River and Ōruawhoro until the correct orthography had been confirmed.

### **Resolutions**

*That the NZGB **confirm** that **Tararua Wind Farm** (and all other wind farm names) be deleted from the Gazetteer, as the NZGB considers the names of wind farms to be outside its naming jurisdiction,*

**and**

***Approve** as **official** the remaining **291** unofficial recorded Māori place names in **Appendix A** of the report, being 'significant geographic features and populated places' and their associated place names, based on:*

- *the NZGB previously agreeing that the addition of a macron does not prevent a recorded place name being approved as official under section 24 of the NZGB Act 2008 because it is not an alternative place name,*
- *there being no other recorded names known for the features and places,*
- *public objection being unlikely, and*
- *this action addressing increased expectations from government, iwi and the public that the NZGB as the national naming authority will uphold standardised orthography for Māori place names and that they will be made official,*

***Subject** to confirmation of the correct orthography for Nos.130 and 131 Ōruawhoro River and Ōruawhoro:*

**and**

***Notify** in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.*

**and**

***Notify amendments** to standardise with macrons the **4** official Māori place names in **Appendix B** of the report,*

**and**

***Approve** as **official** the **39** unofficial recorded Māori place names in **Appendix C** of the report, which are 'significant geographic features and populated places' and associated places, noting known 'longer forms' of some names and multiple Māori place names for some names, based on:*

- the NZGB previously agreeing that the addition of a macron does not prevent a recorded place name being approved as official under section 24 of the NZGB Act 2008 because it is not an alternative place name,
- the known 'long forms' or other place names not being 'alternative recorded names' therefore not preventing fast-track approval,
- the NZGB considering that public objection is unlikely, and noting that should anyone wish the longer names or other Māori place names to be restored a full proposal to alter could be made, and
- this action addressing increased expectations from government, iwi and the public that the NZGB as the national naming authority will uphold standardised orthography for Māori place names and that they will be made official,

and

**Notify** in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.

and

**Approve** as **official** the **35** unofficial recorded Māori place names in **Appendix D** of the report which were omitted from recommendations at the NZGB's 11 April 2019 hui due to formatting of place names on the original 'top 200 Say it Tika' list.

and

**Notify** in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.

and

**Notify amendments** to standardise with macrons the **16** official Māori place names in **Appendix E** of the report, to achieve consistency with other recent decisions on associated place names, which are now official with standardised orthography.

**Moved** Matanuku Mahuika

**Seconded** Merata Kawharu

**All in favour**

**Carried**

#### **Actions required**

- Secretariat to confirm orthography of nos.130 and 131 in Appendix A of the report relating to the addition of a macron over the first [a] in No.130 Ōruawharo River and No.131 Ōruawharo.
- Secretariat to delete reference to 'Ngāti-a-Muri' for No.3 Appendix C of the report Lake Ātimauri, and add macron to No.37 Appendix C of the report, over last [a] in Waitematā-o-Kahumatamomoe (right hand column).
- Secretariat to notify as official 291 unofficial recorded Māori place names in Appendix A of the report and 39 unofficial recorded Māori place names in Appendix C of the report, and 35 unofficial recorded names in Appendix D of the report, in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.
- Secretariat to notify amendments to standardise with macrons 4 official Māori place names in Appendix B of the report and 16 official Māori place names in Appendix E of the report.

### **15.3. Cook's voyages**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3977299). The NZGB noted that this work identifying place names assigned and recorded by Cook or by fellow crew came out of the Tuia250 project. Approximately 300 place names were identified, some of which were already official through Treaty settlement or NZGB processes. The NZGB noted that many remain unofficial, and some are no longer recorded on maps. The NZGB noted that these place names are more difficult to categorise and that actions to make place names associated with Cook official may be controversial.

- **Appendix E** of the report: **No.6:** The NZGB noted that Open Bay Islands are close to but not in the bay, although Open Bay as named by Cook may be different to the current extent of what is now known as Jackson Bay/Okahu. The feature is well known for the story of sealers who were marooned in the bay in the early 1800s

The NZGB noted that the Cook place names are part of New Zealand's history and that one of the NZGB's roles is to make place names official so that compliance provisions can be applied. The NZGB noted that Tā Tipene O'Regan had commented at a March 2020 hui with the Secretariat to the effect that place names relating to non-Māori explorers and discoverers reflect our shared heritage. The NZGB noted a number of options for proceeding with the project as some place names are already in use and have been through the NZGB's process, and many Cook place names have long since been replaced by the original Māori place names, particularly on the East Coast of Te Ika-a-Māui or North Island. The NZGB noted that it has a clear policy about place names in long term use and dual naming when an original Māori name is restored. The NZGB agreed that the place names should in the Gazetteer and tagged as a Cook place name for public discoverability, whether official or not.

The NZGB agreed that recording and promoting the available information in the Gazetteer would be a good outcome and would ensure that the work done to date is not lost. The NZGB noted that the Google Earth Content Creation tool is also being used for Tuia250 content, and would be used to store the research, particularly where there is no current place name, and made publicly available. The NZGB agreed that this could provide an excellent resource for schools and aligns with the outreach objectives in its strategic plan.

The NZGB agreed to make no decisions on the place names, noting that the results of the research will be added to the Gazetteer and will be made publicly available through other means such as Google Earth's Content Creation tool.

#### **Actions required**

- *Secretariat to complete publication of Cook place name research in Google Earth Content Creation and make publicly available.*
- *Secretariat to update the Gazetteer, as applicable, with the Cook place name research and tag the place names with a common identifier*
- *Secretariat to promote the research once published.*

## **16. Crown protected area (CPA) names**

### **16.1. Reviewed & concurred and future CPA name proposals**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3969124), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

### **16.2. Relationship with Department of Conservation**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3967796), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## **Committee / Decisions**

### **17. Undersea Feature Names Committee / Decisions**

#### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3954850). The NZGB noted that the report covers eight separate reports on existing and unofficial undersea feature names, and 27 discovered but unnamed undersea features in the Southern Ocean.

## 17.1. UFNC recommendations to correct the positions of three official undersea feature names

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3948985).

### Resolutions

That the NZGB **notifies corrigenda** to correct the rectangular coordinates to a central position for:

- **New Caledonia Trough** from 29°00.00'S, 162°40.00'E; 37°00.00'S, 162°40.00'E; 37°00.00'S, 170°00.00'E; 29°00.00'S, 170°00.00'E, to -34.9472, 166.7491, and
- **West Norfolk Ridge** from 31°30.00'S, 166°50.00'E; 31°30.00'S, 170°30.00'E; 35°40.00'S, 170°30.00'E; 35°40.00'S, 166°50.00'E, to -33.937, 167.2362

and

That the NZGB **provides** SCUFN<sup>2</sup> with a shape file for New Caledonia Trough showing its full extent into New Zealand's ECS<sup>3</sup>, and the shapefile for West Norfolk Ridge, and request that it updates them in the [GEBCO Gazetteer](#).

and

That the NZGB **notifies a corrigendum** to correct the coordinate of Wanganella Bank from 33°45'S latitude, 167°15'E longitude, to -32.6058, 167.4951.

**Moved** Adam Greenland

**Seconded** David Barnes

**All in favour**

**Carried**

### Actions required

- Secretariat to notify corrigenda to correct coordinates of New Caledonia Trough, West Norfolk Ridge and Wanganella Bank.
- Secretariat to provide SCUFN with amended shape files for New Caledonia Trough and West Norfolk Ridge for updating in the GEBCO Gazetteer.

## 17.2. Approve 21 and discontinue two recorded undersea feature names within New Zealand's 12NM territorial sea

### NZGB Discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3949193). The NZGB noted that there are no known original Māori place names for associated land features.

### Resolutions

That the NZGB **approves** these existing 21 recorded undersea feature names: **Bounty Basin, Cavern Basin, Elder Basin, Entrance Basin, Haulashore Basin, Heel Basin, Isthmus Basin, Kellard Basin, Lady Basin, Marble Basin, Open Basin, Shelter Basin, South-West Basin, Stillwater Basin, Stokes Basin, Turn Round Basin, Walker Basin, Wanganella Basin, Whale Basin, Whitewater Basin and Wilmot Basin** as official undersea feature names, based on it being unlikely that there will be public objection, and there being no other known names recorded for these features.

and

**Notifies** them as official in terms of the NZGB Act 2008.

and

That the NZGB **discontinues** the existing recorded undersea feature names, **Richards Basin** and **Turn Basin**, as the features do not exist and it being unlikely that there will be public objection.

and

**Notifies** them as discontinued in terms of the NZGB Act 2008.

<sup>2</sup> Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature Names

<sup>3</sup> Extended Continental Shelf

**Moved** Adam Greenland  
**Seconded** Michael Roche  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

**Action required**

- *Secretariat to notify 21 recorded undersea feature names as official and two recorded undersea names as discontinued in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.*

**17.3. Discontinue Iselin Seamount**

**NZGB Discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3949325). The NZGB noted that the bathymetric data GNS Science had provided confirmed that the seamount does not exist.

**Resolution**

*That the NZGB **discontinues** the existing official undersea feature name **Iselin Seamount** on the basis that the feature does not exist,*

**and**

***Notifies** it as discontinued in terms of the NZGB Act 2008.*

**Moved** Adam Greenland  
**Seconded** Michael Roche  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

**Action required**

- *Secretariat to notify Iselin Seamount as discontinued in terms of Section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.*

**17.4. Proposal to alter Katz Guyot**

**NZGB Discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3950269). The NZGB noted that its proposal to alter Katz Seamount to Katz Guyot submitted to SCUFN in 2019 was not successful as SCUFN had not been convinced that the feature is a guyot and determined it to be a seamount. The NZGB noted that the UFNC had reconsidered the feature's bathymetric data at its 2 February 2020 hui and agreed that the feature does have all the attributes of a guyot. The NZGB noted that a 'cookbook' that two UFNC members are preparing for SCUFN will concisely define a guyot, and once SCUFN adopts the 'cookbook' the NZGB can resubmit Katz Guyot with a profile that GNS Science may be able to source from new multibeam data.

**Resolutions**

*That the NZGB **confirms Katz Guyot** as the official undersea feature name based on the feature having the attributes of a guyot. Noting that it will not be consistent with the entry in the [GEBSCO Gazetteer](#).*

**and**

*Once SCUFN adopts the 'cookbook', which will have concise definitions of undersea features that the NZGB resubmits Katz Guyot to SCUFN with a profile that GNS Science may source from new multibeam data.*

*Noting that the New Zealand Gazetteer will continue to record Katz Guyot as the official name.*

**Moved** Adam Greenland  
**Seconded** David Barnes  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

### Action required

- Secretariat to resubmit proposal for Katz Guyot to SCUFN, supported by new multibeam data, once SCUFN has adopted a concise definition of a guyot.

## 17.5. Proposal for Māhia Canyon

### NZGB Discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3951145). The NZGB noted that the Māori Names Committee (MNC) supports the proposal for Māhia Canyon on the understanding that it will be publicly notified for submissions to prompt a response from mana whenua. The NZGB noted that the name is associated with adjacent land features.

### Resolutions

That the NZGB **accepts** the proposal to **alter** the recorded (unofficial) undersea feature name Poverty Canyon to an official undersea feature name **Māhia Canyon** based on:

- the desire to remove 'Poverty' from the name<sup>4</sup>,
- Mahia Peninsula being a significant feature on nearby land, and
- 'Māhia' being the correct orthography.

and

That Māhia Canyon be **notified** as a proposal to alter for one month.

and

That if the NZGB alters Poverty Canyon to **Māhia Canyon** as an official undersea feature name that it makes a full proposal to SCUFN.

**Moved** Matanuku Mahuika  
**Seconded** Paulette Tamati-Elliffe  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

### Actions required

- Secretariat to notify Māhia Canyon as a proposal to alter for one month.
- Secretariat to make a full proposal to SCUFN if Poverty Canyon is altered to Māhia Canyon.

## 17.6. Proposal for Whareama Valley

### NZGB Discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3951649). The NZGB noted that the UFNC had agreed that, based on NIWA's advice, the feature is a single valley. The NZGB noted that the generic term is to be altered from Sea Valley to Valley and as the feature is less than 50% beyond New Zealand's 12NM territorial sea no proposal would be made to SCUFN.

### Resolutions

That the NZGB **accepts** a proposal to **alter** the recorded (unofficial) undersea feature name Whareama Sea Valleys to an official undersea feature name **Whareama Valley** based on:

- the feature being a single large sea valley on the western flank of Urutū Basin,
- evidence of the feature recorded on charts as a single sea valley,
- 'Whareama' being the correct orthography, and
- the generic term 'Valley' conforming with the NZGB's [Standard for undersea feature names](#) and GEBCO's [B-6 Guidelines](#).

and

If the NZGB accepts Whareama Valley that it be **notified** as a proposal to alter for one month.

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<sup>4</sup> Secretariat note: the current name is associated with Tūranganui-a-Kiwa / Poverty Bay

**Moved** Paulette Tamati-Elliffe  
**Seconded** Michael Roche  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

**Action required**

- *Secretariat to notify Whareama Valley as a proposal to alter for one month.*

**17.7. Proposal for Matakaoa Re-entrant**

**NZGB Discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3951864). The NZGB noted that the recommendation is to align the spelling of the Matakaoa Re-entrant with the associated land feature Matakaoa Point and undersea feature, Matakaoa Ridge. The NZGB noted that this was the first time it would be considering a proposal to make an undersea feature name official with the generic term 'Re-entrant', which it agreed to add to the next edition of the *Standard for undersea feature names*. The NZGB agreed that it should publicly notify the proposal in about six week's time.

**Resolutions**

*That the NZGB **accepts** the proposal to **alter** the recorded (unofficial) undersea feature name Matakaoa Re-entrant to an official undersea feature name **Matakaoa Re-entrant** based on:*

- *consistency with the associated features – Matakaoa Point a recorded place name on land and Matakaoa Ridge an official undersea feature name,*
- *long term use of the specific term 'Matakaoa' for the feature in published scientific literature,*
- *a Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori licenced translator having confirmed that 'Matakaoa' is orthographically correct, and*
- *'Re-entrant' being an acceptable and correct generic term that has been in long term use (25 years) for the feature.*

**and**

*If the NZGB accepts Matakaoa Re-entrant that it be **notified** as a proposal to alter for one month.*

**and**

*If the NZGB **alters** Matakaoa Re-entrant to **Matakaoa Re-entrant** as an official undersea feature name that it makes a fast track proposal to SCUFN-33 in November 2020 as the feature is more than 50% beyond New Zealand's 12NM territorial limit.*

**and**

*That the NZGB add Re-entrant as an approved obsolete generic term to the next edition of the Standard for undersea feature names.*

**Moved** Merata Kawharu  
**Seconded** Michael Roche  
**All in favour**  
**Carried**

**Actions required**

- *Secretariat to notify as a proposal to alter Matakaoa Re-entrant to Matakaoa Re-entrant for one month.*
- *Secretariat to add 'Re-entrant' as an approved obsolete generic term to the next edition of the Standard for undersea feature names.*

**17.8. Proposals for Ruatōria Re-entrant and Ruatōria Scarp**

**NZGB Discussion**

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3952186). The NZGB noted that the names have been in long term use and agreed that as the features more than 50% beyond New Zealand's 12NM territorial sea it would make fast track proposals to SCUFN's meeting in November 2020. The NZGB noted that

there is uncertainty about the orthography of Ruatōria, which is a contraction of te Rua a Tōria (the kumara pits of Tōria) and refers to Tōria or Tōrea, a well known ancestor from that region. The NZGB agreed that Matanuku Mahuika would consult with the Chair of the local rūnanga on the correct orthography and have a response back to the NZGB within two weeks.

### Resolutions

That the NZGB **approves** and **reviews & adopts** the recorded (unofficial) undersea feature name **Ruatōria Re-entrant** (standardised with a macron) as official based on:

- there being no other known name recorded for the feature,
- public objection being unlikely,
- 'Re-entrant' being an acceptable and correct generic term that has been in long term use (25 years) for the feature,
- the name being associated with Ruatoria (locality) on land, and
- Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori advice that the correct orthography is Ruatōria.

**Subject** to Ngāti Porou advising the traditional story associated with Ruatōria so that the orthography can be further confirmed.

**Noting** that SCUFN considers 'Re-entrant' to be an obsolete generic term but will accept it to harmonise with the New Zealand Gazetteer.

**and**

That the NZGB **reviews** and **adopts** the recorded (unofficial) undersea feature name **Ruatōria Scarp** (standardised with a macron) as official based on:

- the name being published in official documents and in long term use (25 years),
- the name being associated with Ruatoria (locality) on land, and
- Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori advice that the correct orthography is Ruatōria.

**Subject** to Ngāti Porou advising the traditional story associated with Ruatōria so that the orthography can be further confirmed.

**Noting** that SCUFN considers 'Scarp' to be an obsolete generic term but will accept it to harmonise with the New Zealand Gazetteer.

**and**

That if the NZGB **approves** and **adopts Ruatōria Re-entrant** and **adopts Ruatōria Scarp** as official undersea feature names that it makes fast track proposals to the SCUFN-33 meeting in November 2020 as the features are more than 50% beyond New Zealand's 12NM territorial limit.

**and**

That the NZGB **approves** the recorded (unofficial) associated place name **Ruatōria Forest** (standardised with a macron) as official based on:

- there being no other known name recorded for the feature,
- public objection being unlikely, and
- Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori advice that the correct orthography is Ruatōria.

**Subject** to Ngāti Porou advising the traditional story associated with Ruatōria so that the orthography can be further confirmed.

**Noting** that Ruatoria (locality), the only other land based Ruatoria place name, is 'Ruatorea' on a 1923 NZMS 13 index map.

**Moved** Adam Greenland

**Seconded** Merata Kawharu

**All in favour**

**Carried**

### Actions required

- Matanuku Mahuika to consult with the Chair of the local rūnanga on the correct orthography and respond back to the NZGB within two weeks.
- Secretariat to notify Ruatōria Re-entrant, Ruatōria Scarp and Ruatōria Forest as official, subject to Ngāti Porou advising the traditional story so orthography can be confirmed.
- Secretariat to prepare fast track proposals for Ruatōria Re-entrant Ruatōria Scarp for SCUFN's November 2020 meeting.

## 17.9. UFNC to name 13 of 27 discovered but unnamed undersea features in the Southern Ocean

### NZGB Discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3972067). The NZGB agreed that New Zealand needs to be actively naming features in the Southern Ocean. The NZGB noted that there are now a number of international research vessels engaged in activities in the Southern Ocean and Ross Dependency, with new bases being built in Antarctica. This increased activity has resulted in the discovery and mapping of various undersea features and naming proposals to SCUFN by international naming authorities. The NZGB noted that the intention of the UFNC is to be proactive and identify undersea features in the Southern Ocean using good bathymetry. The NZGB noted that 27 undersea features have been identified for naming, with 12 names being proposed now (Dell Hill being ineligible) and 14 later.

The NZGB noted an addition to the biography of Elizabeth Maude Herriott, who was the first woman academic appointed to the Science Department at Canterbury University.

The NZGB agreed that it would consult with the family of Dame Evelyn Stokes on naming Stokes Hill for her. The NZGB noted that the majority of names were of people who had been deceased for some time, so it would be challenging to consult with their descendants.

The Chairperson thanked the UFNC for its work and the progress it has made. The NZGB noted that the UFNC would likely be recommending Māori names for the 13 other discovered undersea features. The UFNC's Chair also thanked the UFNC's members for their work.

### Resolutions

*That the NZGB proceeds through the normal process under the NZGB Act 2008 to make 26 undersea feature names in the Southern Ocean official at its April 2020 and July 2020 hui.*

*And consults with international naming authorities (Republic of Korea, China and the United States) on the NZGB's 26 proposals as per the IHO's [B-6 Guidelines](#) prior to submitting the proposals to SCUFN.*

**Subject** to continuing discussions with GNS Science and MFAT that naming these undersea features will support and give context to science in the area.

**Noting** that all future NZGB documentation and images will acknowledge the source of the bathymetric data used.

**and**

*That the NZGB **assigns** and **notifies** these 12 undersea feature names as official: **Pelorus Ridge, Leachman Ridge, Herriott Hill, Kidson Hill, Solo Seamount, Ice Bird Seamount, Lewis Hill, Stokes Hill, Farr Knoll, Chilton Hill, Skey Hill** and **Laing Hill** pursuant to section 25 of the NZGB Act 2008.*

**Subject** to consultation with the relevant international naming authorities who have an interest in the area (China, Republic of Korea and the United States), and consultation with the family of Dame Evelyn Stokes.

**and**

*That the NZGB **declines Dell Hill** based on Dell Knoll, an official undersea feature name in the Southern Ocean, being already been named for Richard Dell.*

**Noting** that a name for the feature can be reconsidered at the UFNC's next teleconference hui in May 2020.

**Moved** Paulette Tamati-Elliffe

**Seconded** Michael Roche

**All in favour**

**Carried**

### Actions required

- Secretariat to notify as official 12 undersea feature names, subject to consultation with relevant international naming authorities with interests in the area.
- Secretariat to write to Dame Evelyn Stokes' family re the naming of Stokes Hill.
- Secretariat to organise the next UFNC hui for May 2020, to decide on names for the remaining features, subject to the provision of the names from Paulette Tamati-Elliffe.

## 18. Māori Names Committee

### NZGB discussion

The NZGB noted the information and report provided (LinZone ID A3945765). The NZGB noted that there were no decisions for the NZGB as a consequence of the meeting on 1 April 2020. The NZGB noted the following verbal report of the meeting from the MNC Chair, Matanuku Mahuika:

### Outstanding actions:

- **Green Deep:** To be followed up with Tā Tipene O'Regan.
- **Derivation of Kawitihi:** No update has been received from Kylie Brown and Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori have offered to assist and will be provided with further information. UFNC to provide context and send background information to MNC members.
- **Waipaoa Canyon (alteration from Poverty Canyon):** A proposal has been made to officially alter Waipaoa Canyon to Māhia Canyon, noting that public consultation may result in an alternative name proposal. *(Note: this was discussed and agreed by the NZGB today under item 17.5)*
- **Oral History Atlas stories:** Two stories from Tā Tipene will be translated, and other stories are being progressed. Te Haumihiata Mason and other contacts will be followed up about further stories. A contractor has been arranged to create the maps. Release will be staggered online prior to physical publication.
- **Westpac names:** Possible names have been followed up. These undersea features are within the rohe of Te Tau Ihu who will need to be approached for possible names. The fishing industry will also be consulted.
- **Publish line drawings for the generic terms list:** This will be followed up by the Secretariat with the LINZ IT group, who will follow up with Datacom. A contact at Datacom will also be contacted to see if there is a blockage.
- **MNC membership:** Two new members will join the MNC and appointees will be confirmed once the new NZGB members are in place. Mark Te One is no longer the appointee from Te Puni Kōkiri and a new appointee is yet to be confirmed.
- **NZMS 346 new editions:** An electronic version will be published initially online and continually updated. Poster style maps will be published on demand and will be publicly available online for download and printing.
- **MNC general business:** At the suggestion of the Secretariat a Māori language plan will be developed to incorporate te Reo into the MNC hui, with minutes and agenda available in both English and Māori.

The Chairperson noted disappointment that Matanuku Mahuika's time on the NZGB is coming to an end and thanked him for progressing the work of the MNC. The NZGB noted that Tā Tipene O'Regan had continued to contribute to the NZGB's work although no longer a NZGB member and suggested that Matanuku Mahuika may be able to do the same, noting his strong leadership and his involvement as an individual in a number of initiatives. The NZGB noted that this would be discussed with the new NZGB members, particularly the new Māori members and respect given to the skills that they will bring to the table. The Chairperson noted that the ability to interact with the Committees if not a NZGB member may be affected.

*Adam Greenland left the hui at 12.54pm*

The NZGB noted that continued contribution by Matanuku Mahuika could be discussed further once new NZGB members had joined, if considered appropriate.

### Action required

- *Māori Names Committee to discuss the position of Chair, due to Mr Matanuku Mahuika's departure from the NZGB.*

Michael Roche said he was very happy that there would finally be a feature named after Evelyn Stokes. He noted how over his time the suitcase full of NZGB papers he had first arrived at meetings with had been replaced by his laptop, and said he had learnt more than he could quantify or qualify during his time on the NZGB. He wished everyone well for the future.

## 19. Antarctic Names Committee

### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3970582), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## Secretary's report

## 20. Secretary's Report

### **NZGB discussion**

The NZGB did not consider this item and the report provided (LinZone ID A3962100), due to a shortened agenda because of the COVID-19 lockdown.

## Other business

## 21. Other business

There was no other business.

The Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and the hui, which closed at 12.58pm with a karakia from Wareko Te Angina.

Certified as a true and correct record of the hui:

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Anselm Haanen, Chairperson

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Date