

NOTE | KIA MAHARA:

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General | Hei kōrero whānui

1. Karakia | Prayer Welcome | Whakatau

The Chairperson welcomed hui participants. The hui opened with the Board's karakia lead by Shane Te Ruki. The Board noted that some members were attending online via Microsoft Teams and the hui would be recorded to assist with the minutes.

2. Present | Te hunga i tae mai Apologies | Ngā whakapāha

Board members	
Anselm Haanen, Chairperson	Surveyor-General, Toitū Te Whenua LINZ
Merata Kawharu	Minister for Land Information appointment
Shaun Barnett	Federated Mountain Clubs of NZ Inc nomination
Paulette Tamati-Elliffe (until 1:55pm then virtual to 2:49pm)	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (TRONT) nomination
Adam Greenland (virtual)	National Hydrographer Toitū Te Whenua LINZ
Shane Te Ruki (virtual)	Minister for Māori Development appointment
Robin Kearns (virtual until left at 12:30pm)	New Zealand Geographical Society nomination

Board member apologies	
Bonita Bigham	Local Government NZ nomination
Chanel Clarke	Minister for Māori Development appointment
Jenni Vernon	Minister for Land Information appointment

Board Secretariat	
Wendy Shaw	Secretary
Christopher Stephens	Advisor
Jill Remnant	Advisor
Joanna Barnes-Wylie	Senior Advisor (Treaty names)

Observers	
Te Tumatakuru O'Connell (virtual)	Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori (TTWh)
Sheryll Johnson (virtual) (2pm–2:17pm)	Department of Conservation Te Papa Atawhai (DOC)
Waihoroi Shortland	Te Puni Kōkiri (TPK)
Elizabeth Garlick	Digital Comms, Toitū Te Whenua LINZ

Minute Taker	
Denise Hutana	GBL Personnel

3. **Agenda | Rārangi take** **Disclosure of conflicts of interest | He whākinga rongorua**

3.1. **Agenda | Rārangi take**

Board discussion

The Board confirmed the revised order of the agenda and noted that the minutes will reflect the exact order in which the items were considered.

3.2. **Disclosure of conflicts of interest | He whākinga rongorua**

Board discussion

Merata Kawharu advised that as Ngāti Whātua she has connections and a strong interest in the proposed central Auckland railway station names (item 7.3) and Auckland recorded names (item 11.1). The Board did not consider this to be a conflict of interest.

The Chairperson agreed to deal with any conflicts when the respective agenda items came up and requested that any new potential conflicts of interest that arise during the hui be declared at the time of discussion.

4. **Previous minutes | Ngā kōrero o te hui o mua** **Matters arising | Ngā take i ara ake** **Action sheet | Ngā mahi hei whakatutuki**

4.1. **Previous minutes 26 July/Hōngongoi 2022**

Board discussion

The Board considered the draft minutes of its 26 July 2022 hui (Linzone ID A5059661). The Board noted item 17.2 Lake Mangapōike on pp.10-11. The Board noted that the Minister for Land Information had chosen Lake Te Horonui as he didn't want to leave the lake unnamed and other features are already named Mangapōike. The Board noted that the Minister had made his decision in mid-October 2022 in part based on advice from the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ Policy team. Being independent Toitū Te Whenua LINZ advice to the Minister, the Secretary provided some advice but otherwise kept distance due to a possible conflict. Lake Te Horonui had been gazetted as official on 28 November 2022. The Board noted that all correspondence had gone out advising of the decision

and there had been some media reporting. The proposer of Lake Mangapōike understood a process had been followed but was disappointed and may ask for further information directly from the Minister about his final decision.

The Board wondered if the Minister had been fully aware of the controversy over the name of the lake and whether his final decision reflected dissatisfaction with the Board's decision [that no name be assigned to the lake at this time so that the community can discuss further]. The Board noted that the Minister had been provided with a full report covering its discussion and decision and received copies of all submissions. The Board agreed that it had done everything it could by consulting on both names and that the community had had an opportunity to have its say.

The Board requested a copy of the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ policy briefing to the Minister be circulated for its reference.

The Board congratulated the minute taker and Secretariat on the quality of the minutes.

Resolution

That the minutes of the hui held on 26 July 2022 be ratified.

Moved Shaun Barnett
Seconded Merata Kawharu
All in favour
Carried

4.2. Matters arising | Ngā take i ara ake

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 26 July 2022 hui that are not covered in today's agenda.

4.3. Action sheet | Ngā mahi hei whakatutuki

The Board noted there does not appear to be any specific action relating to updating and progressing its Māori Language Plan, which is a Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori requirement for public sector agencies. The Secretary advised this is an ongoing action and is noted in the Secretary's report in Agenda item 17. The Board agreed an action is required.

The Chairperson requested an overview on the progress of the Statutes Amendment Bill. The Secretary advised that because amendments had to be 'minor, technical, and non-controversial', a smaller list of amendments was finalised following discussions with Toitū Te Whenua LINZ policy. These mostly covered consistency of wording between clauses. The Board noted that if the Ministry of Justice agrees, the amendments would then go to Parliamentary Council for drafting in the bill, and the process will take at least a year.

The Board reviewed its actions from its 26 July 2022 and earlier hui.

Actions from 26 July 2022 minutes (excluding Secretariat actions)			
Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Comments
4.3. Action sheet Strategies for alternative Māori names for major cities and towns	Contact the Future for Local Government Panel and act as a conduit for the Board to make a submission.	Bonita Bigham	Action completed. CLOSED.

13. Statutes Amendment Bill Pire Whakahou Ture	Provide feedback to the Secretariat by 15 August 2022 on suggested amendments to the NZGB Act 2008 for inclusion in the Statutes Amendment Bill.	Board	Action completed. CLOSED.
25. History/Origin/ Meaning in the Gazetteer	Advise appropriate people to contact people for collaboration and priorities for Māori place names' history/origin/meaning for the Secretariat to provide to Michael Roche.	Board	Ongoing
27. Secretariat's update	Raise at next LGNZ national council review, concerns with its policy for Board appointments (three years only, executive membership only)	Bonita Bigham	Action completed. The meeting is today so the outcome is not known. CLOSED.

Actions from 8 April 2022 minutes (excluding Secretariat actions)

Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Comments
15. Recorded names approved as official E whaimana ai ngā taunahatanga	Assist consultation with Auckland mana whenua	Board, particularly Merata Kawharu	Superseded by Board discussions at its 26 July 2022 hui. CLOSED.

Actions from 14 October 2020 minutes for Chairperson, Board or Committees

Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Completed
7. Board Agreements (Previous minutes of 27 July 2020)	Discuss with LINZ's Chief Executive adding a schedule to the LINZ/ Board Agreement of the high-level services LINZ provides to the Board.	Chairperson	Awaiting the conclusion of Toitū Te Whenua LINZ's staff restructure in mid-2022, which is still underway.

Actions required

- Secretary to provide the Board with a copy of the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ policy briefing to the Minister for Land Information for the Lake Te Horonui proposal.
- Board to consider updating its Māori Language Plan.
- Secretariat to obtain the Chairperson's signature and publish an unsigned, updated version on the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ webpages.

Standard decisions | Ngā whakataunga noa

7. Submissions on proposals | Tāpaetanga ki ngā tono

7.2 Railway Stations (Drury) – Drury Railway Station, Ngākōroa Railway Station, Paerātā Railway Station

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5091608). The Chairperson noted that a key issue when considering the submissions is that railway station names are normally associated with their destination. The Board noted that because railway stations are specific points in space, any name assigned would potentially be subject to a higher threshold of relevance to that

place. This was compared and contrasted to the wider populated places they serve, which might continue to expand.

The Board noted that the proposed names all relate to existing place names and that some objecting submitters had made alternative proposals. The Board noted that Drury Railway Station and Paerātā Railway Station both relate to populated places, whereas Ngākōroa Railway Station is associated with a stream. The Board noted comments from the Te Puni Kōkiri observer that 'Ngākōroa' had appropriate connotations based on the past and present uses of the area.

The Board noted that the use of macrons had been its main topic of discussion when it originally considered the proposals and invited comments from the observer from Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori (TTWh). The Board advised that observers could fully participate in discussions and noted that it has a specific legal requirement to seek advice from TTWh. The Board noted that it follows the orthographic guidelines produced by TTWh, which the recommendations reflected.

The TTWh observer commented that TTWh has guidelines in place and generally if the meaning of a place name was understood, there will be a particular spelling and form of the name. The observer advised that the orthographic conventions are due to be updated and this process will take into account perspectives from Te Mātāwai [an independent entity set up under Te Ture mō Te Reo Māori 2016]. Further conversations around the use of double vowels may occur, but as the current guidelines are what are in place, they should be followed. The observer advised that TTWh is also involved in discussions for Te Tiriti settlement claims in relation to te reo Māori and that may eventually affect its role and the orthographic guidelines.

The Board discussed whether potential changes to the orthographic standards are a risk for the Board. The Board agreed the best way to manage any potential risks is to adhere to the standards as they stand. The Board also considered views around expectations when mana whenua gift place names.

Resolution

The Board considered the 112 submissions from 70 submitters:

and

Rejected the *objecting submissions*, including those proposing alternative names, based on the reasons given not outweighing the reasons for originally accepting the proposals being:

- *the direct association of Paerātā Railway Station and Drury Railway Station to the populated places they will serve,*
- *Ngākōroa Railway Station not being currently associated with a populated place, being in a rural location southeast of Runciman (locality); and naming it for a suitable nearby geographic feature that recognises connections to the wider original cultural landscape,*
- *concerns the initially proposed name Maketuu Railway Station, named for the Te Maketu Stream and Te Maketu Historic Reserve, had little apparent relevance to its location, and may be confusing to travellers and tourists,*
- *applying standardised orthography under expert orthographic advice from a TTWh licensed translator,*
- *applying standardised orthography nationwide for consistency in the rail network, ie macrons rather than double vowels as applicable for Māori railway station names,*

Noting:

- *orthographic inconsistency with the existing associated names, Paerata, Ngakoroo Stream but that these names could be approved/amended to include macrons in the future,*
- *the railway stations do not yet exist,*
- *the location is not fully confirmed for Ngākōroa Railway Station,*
- *the railway stations are intended to serve new urban developments around them, and names for those areas may eventually differ,*

- the former Drury Railway Station and Paerata Station, in the same general locations as the new proposals, were closed in 1972 and 1982 respectively.

and

Confirmed its earlier decisions to accept proposals to assign **Paerātā Railway Station, Ngākōroa Railway Station and Drury Railway Station** as new official railway station names,

and

Reports its decision to the Minister for Land Information, including a recommendation to seek the views of the Minister of Transport **and requests** the Minister for Land Information to make the final determinations on the proposals.

Moved Shaun Barnett

Seconded Robin Kearns

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- Secretariat to report the Board's recommendations to the Minister for Land Information.

7.3 Railway Stations (Central Auckland) – Waitematā Railway Station, Maungawhau / Mount Eden Railway Station, Te Waihorotiu Railway Station, Karanga-a-Hape Railway Station

[Note: the final resolutions confirmed following the Board hui are inserted for three of the four railway station names]

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5081932). The Board agreed to decide on the names individually due to the unique reasons given in support or objecting to each proposal. The Board noted that the format of the report presents options in response to the objecting submissions for three of the four names.

The TTWh observer sought confirmation on whether there should be a macron on the possessive [a] in Karanga-a-Hape, which the Board agreed to address when it gets to the name.

Waitematā Railway Station

The Board noted the general tenor of the objecting submissions is that the proposed name is not actually associated or not strongly associated with the location of the railway station. The Board agreed that there is no question that the name 'Britomart' has a strong and long term association with the area, and that this association is potentially stronger than the other names the Board had considered. Therefore, there is an argument to continue to honour that association. The Board did not agree with the objections that stated that 'Waitematā' had no association, and referred back to its prior discussion that the railway station was on land reclaimed from Waitematā Harbour. The Board noted the objections concerned with the association of the name Waitematā with various former institutions in the north of Auckland, for example the former District Health Board, and questioned how relevant this is compared to the enduring name of the associated geographic feature. The Board members presented their individual views on Britomart compared to Waitematā and the associations they had with either name, if any.

The Board noted that internationally major transport hubs are typically named with terms such as 'Central' or 'Downtown', but it now has an opportunity to confirm a meaningful name that mana whenua have gifted. The Board considered that naming the 'central' railway station for the major geographic feature that Auckland associates itself with (for example branded as 'the City of Sails') makes sense from that perspective.

The Board discussed whether the resolution as it stands is sufficient for reporting to the Minister for Land Information. The Board also considered whether the Minister would be sensitive to the relatively small number of submissions received for the two relatively prominent existing names, noting that for Britomart Station a number of objecting submissions support the existing name. Noting the Minister's final decision for Lake Te Horonui, the Board agreed that the Minister would come to his own decisions based on the evidence he receives. The Board agreed that it should make the best decision it can without second guessing itself, and it is the Minister's prerogative whether or not to agree with the Board's decision.

Merata Kawharu advised that as Ngāti Whātua this discussion is complex as very important histories are also carried by the name Britomart in relation to the establishment of Auckland, ie, it was Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei who invited Hobson to establish a colony in Tāmaki-makaurau: 'Nau mai haere mai whakatu e te mana o koutou nei Kawanatanga i roti tenei rohe'. This made the name Britomart an important part of the nation's whakapapa and history, and for Ngāti Whātua a marker of its mana whenua. Merata Kawharu considered that continued recognition of the name Britomart could be a continuation of the manaakitanga of Ngāti Whātua and raised whether dual naming in this instance might be appropriate. Merata Kawharu noted she was unsure why Te Rerenga-ora-iti (the original name of Point Britomart) as the most specific name to the site of the railway station hadn't been proposed, but considered Waitematā may have been seen to be more inclusive of the histories of multiple iwi. The Board noted that a recent monument to Te Rerenga-ora-iti had been erected at the site of the tip of the former point.

The Board noted while it had put forward a dual name for Mount Eden Station, dual names do introduce a higher level of complexity and compromise and that this isn't necessarily the best outcome. The Board considered that if altered to a dual name it was likely it would be shortened in everyday use back to Britomart. The Board agreed that whatever decision it makes its resolution should respond directly to the reasons given in the objecting submissions.

The Board noted comments from the Te Puni Kōkiri observer concerning the planned development of light rail in Auckland which would connect through to Manukau Harbour. The observer considered that the names of the harbours either side of the city are effectively synonymous with the isthmus. The Board agreed that for travellers in a future system that would cover the entire isthmus, the use of associated geographic feature names could provide a very clear understanding of the wider landscape and so their destinations.

The Board considered that while the name Britomart has a strong association with the area, it won't necessarily have the same strength of association to the railway station, specifically noting that it has only been in use for 20 years. Board members living in Auckland recalled when the railway station didn't have the name. The Board noted that if Britomart Station was altered, the longest-term name remaining in the urban landscape would be Britomart Place. The Board noted that this could not be used as a rationale to preserve the histories of Britomart given street names are outside of its jurisdiction, and this name could be vulnerable to change. The Board noted that if replaced, Britomart Station and histories associated with it would still be discoverable in the Gazetteer.

The Board again noted the relatively small number of submissions given the importance of the feature and wondered about who took the time to make the submissions and what weight it should place on the 107 objections received. The Chairperson reiterated that it isn't about the number of submissions or even who is making them, but the veracity of the arguments. The Board noted that given the population of Auckland and the number of future users of the new City Rail Link it could have received thousands of objections, and that submissions were more likely to be made by those who object to a proposal.

The Board agreed that in proceeding with Waitematā Railway Station its resolution and recommendation to the Minister needs to be more robust. The Board resolved to accept Waitematā Railway Station and requested that the Secretariat circulate for confirmation by email, amended wording to reflect the Board's discussion.

As a final point Merata Kawharu noted that the name Waitematā relates to the arrival of the first people to the area and there might be a further connection there in naming the railway station.

Addendum to these minutes:

Finalised resolution confirmed by the Board 15 December 2022 (Linzone ID: A5122830).

The Board **considered** the **35** supporting submissions and **107** submissions objecting to the proposal to alter Britomart Station (unofficial recorded) to an official name **Waitematā Railway Station**, **and**

Rejected the **107 objecting submissions**, including those supporting the existing name or proposing alternative names, based on the reasons given not outweighing the reasons (and notes) that it originally accepted for **Waitematā Railway Station**, and taking account of these additional considerations:

- The main objections, which are not upheld, are about losing the connection with the Britomart Station name. Britomart Station is a recent name, opened in 2003 (less than 20 years ago) and did not go through an official naming process.
- Britomart Precinct, Britomart Place and any other businesses using Britomart are not affected by the naming of the railway station. The connection to the history of and respect for the name, as raised by some objections, will remain because the name Britomart is still in the area.
- Disagreeing that Waitematā is not associated with the area as it is a name more commonly associated with just the northern locations specified in some objections. Waitematā reflects the name given to the wider area/harbour by Te Arawa, who were the first peoples to arrive here and who anchored their waka on what is now a small island to the west side of the harbour bridge called 'matā'¹. The name therefore is the most ancient name in the area. That harbour, and the further marine transport connections that operate there (3 minutes' walk), can be considered a destination for trains arriving at the station.
- Train stations are destinations for travellers, tourists and the community, and should align with and give a clear understanding of the area and harbour to which they relate, in this case Waitematā, not the Britomart precinct.
- Waitematā was the place where Ngāti Whātua invited Hobson to found the capital in 1840, which indicates its significance and importance.
- Manukau and Waitematā are two preeminent harbours that are original Māori names, The rail network will eventually connect the two harbours, so it is appropriate to use the Waitematā harbour name to reflect that connection.
- Waitematā is the gifted name for the railway station and is supported by Ngāti Whātua who are mana whenua for central Auckland.
- The number of objections received is very low as a percentage of the population of Auckland and could suggest that most Aucklanders have no concern with the proposed Waitematā Railway Station name.
- A dual name as suggested by some objections, mainly Waitematā / Britomart Railway Station, is too long for practical use as a railway station name, may cause confusion and may be shortened to Britomart anyway.

and

Confirmed its earlier decision to alter the unofficial recorded name Britomart Station to the official name, **Waitematā Railway Station**,

and

¹ English name is Boat Rock (recorded name)

will report its decision to the Minister for Land Information **and request** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.

Moved Paulette Tamati-Elliffe
Seconded Shane Te Ruki
All in favour
Carried

10.25am-10.43am Morning Tea | Kaputī

Te Waihorotiu Railway Station

The Board noted again two options have been presented, one to proceed with Te Waihorotiu and one to instead confirm the provisional name Aotea in response to the objecting submissions.

The Board questioned what connection Aotea as a place name had to the area, ie, is the provisional name solely in relation to the Aotea Centre, and if so, what is the provenance of that name? The Secretariat advised that as far as understood, Aotea Square was named for Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island) but had no further context as to why. The Board noted advice there was no specific customary connection of 'Aotea' to this site.

The Board noted that the proposed name related to the original stream, which is not presently evident in the landscape, but there has been renewed conversations about 'daylighting' the stream. The Board considered that if this was ever achieved, it would further complement the proposed name of the railway station.

The Board noted the short turnaround time between the close of submissions and this Board hui and thanked the Secretariat for its efforts in summarising and analysing the submissions.

The Board agreed to proceed with a recommendation of Te Waihorotiu Railway Station to the Minister in principle and requested that the Secretariat circulate the finalised wording for the resolution for confirmation by email.

Addendum to these minutes:

Finalised resolution confirmed by the Board 15 December 2022 (Linzone ID: A5122830).

*The Board **considered** the **33** supporting submissions and **91** submissions objecting to the proposal to assign a new official name **Te Waihorotiu Railway Station**,*

and

***Rejected** the **91** objecting submissions, including those proposing alternative names, based on the reasons given not outweighing the reasons (and notes) that it originally accepted for **Te Waihorotiu Railway Station**, and taking account of these additional considerations:*

- The main objections, which are not upheld, preferred Aotea as an original name and were based on the destination being Aotea Square and Aotea Centre in the immediate vicinity of the new railway station. However, those are considered specific sites (like a precinct) rather than the locality and have only been used recently (1979 and 1989).*
- Many of these objectors thought that Aotea is the original Māori name for this place. However, Aotea is the original Māori name for Great Barrier Island and seems to have been arbitrarily used here with no customary connection.*
- Other objections, also not upheld, felt that the old stream name has no connection. However, Te Waihorotiu is the original Māori name for the stream that originally ran down Queen Street and provides a connection to the immediate history at this location.*

- *Not agreeing with the many objectors who thought that the proposed name is too long and hard to pronounce and spell.*

and

Confirmed *its earlier decision to assign the new official name, **Te Waihorotiu Railway Station**,*

and

will report *its decision to the Minister for Land Information **and request** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.*

Moved Robin Kearns

Seconded Shane Te Ruki

All in favour

Carried

Karanga-a-Hape Railway Station

The Board noted the prior request from the TTWh observer for further confirmation on the orthography. The Board noted that the orthography had been confirmed by its orthographic expert Te Haumihiata Mason, based on the meaning of the name supplied in the proposal. After forwarding the prior orthographic advice, Karanga-a-Hape was reconfirmed as being correct.

The Board noted that the objecting submissions were primarily concerned about inconsistency with the name of Karangahape Road, with some concerned about the use of hyphens. The Board agreed to proceed with Karanga-a-Hape Railway Station and that that the wording of the recommendation as it stands is sufficient in response to the objecting submissions.

Resolution

*The Board **considered** the **50** supporting submissions and **29** submissions objecting to the proposal to assign a new official name **Karanga-a-Hape Railway Station**,*

and

***Rejected** the **29 objecting submissions**, including those proposing the same (incorrect) orthography as the nearby road and those proposing alternative names, based on the reasons given not outweighing the reasons that it originally accepted in the proposal,*

and

***Confirmed** its earlier decision to assign **Karanga-a-Hape Railway Station**,*

and

***will report** its decision to the Minister for Land Information **and request** the Minister to make the final determination on the proposal.*

Moved Shaun Barnett

Seconded Paulette Tamati-Elliffe

All in favour

Carried

Maungawhau / Mount Eden Railway Station

The Board noted the two options presented, one being to proceed with the proposed dual name, the other to confirm the existing name based on the opposition to dual naming in the submissions and long term use of the existing name. The Board returned to its original discussion when it considered the proposal about which name it would consider to be associated with both the destination and the station's actual location. The Board noted that the existing name, Mount Eden Station, is considered to be somewhat of a misnomer given the walking distance to Mount Eden 'village'. Noting the option to instead recommend Mount Eden Station, the Board discussed concerns about consistency of the four names should it depart further from the names as gifted, which recognise topographic features and te reo Māori.

The Board agreed that more so for railway stations than geographic features, there is a risk that in everyday use the dual name it had put forward would lapse to just 'Mount Eden'. The Board noted that the dual name was a compromise. The Board discussed the dual naming of the maunga as Maungawhau / Mount Eden in 2014 through the Tāmaki Collective Redress Act 2014. The Board considered how far the approach to place names and societal attitudes had come since the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998.

The Board considered that in light of the objecting submissions, with most objecting to a dual name (though sought different end results), it should revisit the original proposal for just Maungawhau [Railway Station]. The Board noted that because it had received objecting submissions, and it is impossible to agree with all of them, whichever decision it makes the Minister for Land Information would be making the final decision. The Board noted that recommending to the Minister a different name to what was consulted on was well within the scope of the process under the NZGB Act 2008, and the Minister could depart further, with scope to decide on whatever he thinks fit.

The Board noted that alternative names proposed in the objecting submissions could also be notified for further submissions, as per the proposals for Lake Horonui and Lake Mangapōike. The Board considered that notifying Maungawhau Railway Station for submissions would be unlikely to elicit further information or different views from the public. The Board noted that the submitters had had the express opportunity to consider the relative merits of the names Mount Eden and Maungawhau, including together as a dual name.

The Board noted that while overall there was more support for the proposed dual name than support for either name, some of the supporting submissions acknowledged it was a compromise, preferred the original Māori name, or were potentially supporting the addition of Maungawhau more than the retention of the existing name. The Board noted that the original proposal from City Rail Link Ltd and Auckland Transport was for just Maungawhau Railway Station, as gifted by the iwi forum.

The Board reviewed its discussions at its 26 July 2022 hui as to why it had proposed a dual name, and again noted the key point that Mount Eden Station had been in long term use (over 140 years), and this was the 'original name' given the feature is a railway station rather than a geographic feature. The Board revisited whether consistency with the dual name of the associated maunga was actually of concern or relevant to this decision. The Board considered that societal views had moved on considerably since 2014 when the name of the maunga was altered to a dual name by a Treaty settlement. On this basis the Board discussed again whether a dual name for the station would in fact result in people reverting to 'Mount Eden'. The Board noted examples of the use of other dual names, but ultimately considered that everyday use of the proposed dual name would be optimistic.

The Chairperson recapped the Board's discussion so far including the arguments in favour of just using either Maungawhau or Mount Eden, and against dual naming. The Chairperson reiterated that the key consideration is around which name is most associated with the specific destination. The Board again considered whether Mount Eden was a misnomer given that after disembarking at the railway station people might still have to get on a bus to get to 'Mount Eden'. The Board noted that the same consideration would apply if visiting the maunga as it is also some way from the railway station. The Board reviewed current use of the name Maungawhau such as for a school and considered the name potentially had some currency in referring to the locale of the maunga. The Board noted that the Local Board is Albert-Eden Local Board.

The Board noted views from the Te Puni Kōkiri observer that absent from this discussion was that the mana of the name Maungawhau belongs to the maunga. The observer questioned from a Māori perspective what it would mean to apply just Maungawhau to the railway station if the opportunity to apply just Maungawhau to the maunga had been missed and a dual name applied. The Board

considered it might be a positive signal of progress. The observer also noted that Mount Eden has a strong association with the name of the prison, which is also transliterated as Mautini.

The Board agreed to proceed to recommend Maungawhau Railway Station to the Minister, noting that it had effectively returned to the original proposal. As with the first two decisions, the Board requested that the Secretariat circulate finalised wording for the resolution to reflect the Board's discussion for confirmation by email.

The Secretariat advised that in relation to the submissions, the Board would be upholding only those four objecting submissions that proposed 'Maungawhau Railway Station', noting that other objections supported 'Maungawhau Station' or just 'Maungawhau', so are not as prescriptively detailed on the form of the name.

Addendum to these minutes:

Finalised resolution confirmed by the Board 15 December 2022 (Linzone ID: A5122830).

Resolution

*The Board **considered** the **41** supporting submissions and **42** objecting submissions to the proposal to alter Mount Eden Station (unofficial recorded) to an official dual name **Maungawhau / Mount Eden Railway Station,***

and

***Upheld** in terms of section 18(1)(b) of the NZGB Act 2008 all objections against the name proposed, and supports the **four** objecting submissions that proposed the alternative name **Maungawhau Railway Station,** based on their reasons and these additional considerations outweighing the reasons that the Board originally accepted for the dual name proposal Maungawhau / Mount Eden Railway Station:*

- Dual names are not appropriate for railway stations, based on their unwieldy length, the potential for confusion especially if the forward slash is interpreted as two different stations, and the possibility of only one part of the dual name being used in practice, notwithstanding the dual name being used for the nearby maunga.*
- The name Mount Eden Railway Station (on its own) not being appropriate because it is poorly associated with other potential 'Mount Eden' destinations:
 - ⇒ the railway station is some distance (1.3 km) from Mount Eden's shops, and*
 - ⇒ the railway station is at the northern edge of the Mount Eden suburb, which extends some 3 km to the south, while also serving the suburbs to the north (eg. Eden Terrace).**
- Railway stations are destinations for travellers, tourists and the community, and should align with and give a clear understanding of the area or geographic feature that they relate to, in this case the significant geographic maunga.*
- The Treaty settlement in 2014 recognised Maungawhau as the original Māori name for the maunga, although Mount Eden was also accepted through the dual naming of the maunga for historical reasons and naming the railway station for the original Māori name reinforces the mana and significance of the maunga.*
- Maungawhau is already used for some nearby facilities including a school and tennis courts within Mount Eden suburb.*
- Several supporters clearly supported Maungawhau but conceded the inclusion of 'Mount Eden' as a compromise.*
- Several objecting submissions made alternative proposals for Mangawhau or Mangawhau Station.*
- The above considerations outweigh the Board's original support for including Mount Eden in the dual name, as well as the alternative proposals in objections seeking Mount Eden Station, both of which were largely based on its long-term use (142 years).*
- Maungawhau is the gifted name for the railway station and is supported by Ngāti Whātua who are mana whenua for central Auckland.*

- *The number of objections received during the three-month notification/ consultation period was a very low percentage of Auckland's population, which suggests that most Aucklanders have no concerns about the naming,*

and

Noted that it does not support the other reasons provided for the objections that suggested different alternative names or supported the existing name,

and

Confirmed its new decision to alter the unofficial recorded name Mount Eden Station to the official name, **Maungawhau Railway Station**,

and

will report its decision to the Minister for Land Information **and request** the Minister to make the final determination, without re-notifying as a new proposal for further consultation, as submitters have generally considered the relative merits of Mount Eden versus Maungawhau including their use together as a dual name, Maungawhau / Mount Eden.

Moved Robin Kearns

Seconded Shane Te Ruki

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretary to draft final resolutions reflecting the Board's discussion and circulate by round-robin email for confirmation.
- Secretary to report the Board's recommendations to the Minister for Land Information.

9. Name proposals | Tono taunahatanga

9.1 Kororāreka (township)

Additional information tabled

- Letter of support from Ngātiwai Trust Board – 24 November 2022 (Linzone ID A5100978)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5058954). The Board noted the options of single, dual or alternative names. The Board noted that the Far North District Council supports the proposal, but it has concerns about the cost of transitioning. The Board noted that alternative names would offer a transition path. The Board noted that there appears to be community support for the outright change and agreed that there is no doubt that Kororāreka is the original Māori name. The Board noted that Kororāreka is well known in the Northland Region, so it might not be a long period of adjustment.

The Board noted that there is a ground swell for change in New Zealand and having a complete name change would be a progressive and bold move and now could be the right time. The Board considered that perhaps more so than any other example, Kororāreka was well known, accepted and could have currency and specificity as an (unofficial) alternative name. The Board noted that Russell, who had been a British Prime Minister, was a progressive politician. The Board noted that it is not usual for it to change outright the names of populated places, and this would be a test case. The Board noted that the name Russell would still be present in the landscape in Russell Forest and Russell Road.

Resolutions

The Board **accepted** the proposal to **alter** the recorded (unofficial) township name Russell to the official township name **Kororāreka** with the extent provided by the Far North District Council, based on:

- the Board's functions to investigate and determine the priority of the discovery of a geographic feature, and to collect and encourage the use of original Māori names on official charts and maps,
- evidence that Kororāreka is the original Māori name for the township and is already commonly used and widely known,
- dual and alternative names not being preferred for addressable places and discouraged in the ANZ Addressing Standard,
- the risk of potential confusion for emergency responses and maritime safety/navigational aid being low,
- Te Rūnanga ā Iwi o Ngāpuhi and Ngātiwai Trust Board supporting the proposal, and
- the Far North District Council supporting the proposed change (with reservations about cost and wide consultation).

AND

Approved the unofficial recorded name **Kororāreka Point** with updated orthography, as an official place name to be consistent with Kororāreka, based on:

- there being no other alternative recorded place name known for the point, and
- public objection being unlikely,

and

will notify in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008.

AND

will notify an amendment in the NZ Gazette to add a macron to the official place name, Kororareka Bay, amending it to **Kororāreka Bay**.

AND

Recommend to Te Papa Atawhai Department of Conservation that for efficiency it **agrees** to the Board **notifying an amendment** in the NZ Gazette to add a macron to the official Crown protected area name, Kororareka Point Scenic Reserve, amending it to **Kororāreka Point Scenic Reserve**.

Moved Merata Kawharu
Seconded Paulette Tamati-Elliffe

All in favour

Carried

Further discussion

The Board agreed not to notify an extent as the proposal is about the township's name, not the wider Localities dataset name.

Actions required

- Secretariat to add Ngātiwai Trust Board support to the recommendation.
- Secretariat to notify as a proposal to alter for three months.
- Secretariat to notify Kororāreka Point approved as official without public notification.
- Secretariat to recommend to DOC that Kororareka Point Scenic Reserve be amended to Kororāreka Point Scenic Reserve.

11. Recorded names approved as official | E whaimana ai ngā taunahatanga

11.1 Auckland Council (1433 recorded names)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5037771). The Board agreed that if there is any doubt about the names in Appendices A and B it should not proceed to approve them as

official. The Board noted that there are capacity and resourcing issues for iwi to provide feedback and wondered if the Ministry for Culture and Heritage had funding available. The Board noted that reviewing place names is a long process for iwi and that Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, who had been prompted to do so by its Treaty settlement, could share its approach.

The Board noted that the risk when making place names official is that they aren't correct. The Board noted that iwi could be given more time to respond, although the Auckland names had been underway for more than a year. The Board wondered what the urgency is as it takes a lot of effort and time for iwi to undertake research and it can be a huge burden. The Board noted that making a place name official makes it authoritative and gives it mana. However, any name can be used for an unofficial recorded name, and it wouldn't be caught by the compliance section in the NZGB Act 2008 [[section 32](#) refers].

The Board noted that the names in Appendix A could be updated in the Gazetteer with the correct orthography where required, and they would then be correct whether official or not. However, the public and other parts of government look to the Board to provide authoritative information, and making names official is an important aspect. The Board noted that the current mix of unofficial and official place names is confusing for users of the Gazetteer, hinders compliance, and when the Board hasn't made decisions, the public might turn to unauthoritative sources of information. This is in part due to well-meaning enthusiasm as people want to use the correct names. The Board considered that its processes, which provide the opportunity for Māori to confirm their names, also adds to the authority of its decisions, compared to other sources. The Board noted examples where names are perceived to be 'official' because they are in the Gazetteer despite their actual status. The Board noted that it is in its Strategic Plan and it is a function in the NZGB Act 2008 [[section 24](#) refers] to fast-track making place names official and if there are any issues they can be resolved in the future.

The Board noted similar difficulties of engaging with iwi for the Hawke's Bay Region names and that the Secretariat is between a rock and a hard place. The Board wondered what it could do differently and what the reaction would be. The Board noted that to be manageable for iwi another methodology could be to break the names down to just the significant features and associated names. However, the Secretariat would still need iwi to engage to know which features they consider to be significant. The Board noted that it could also ask iwi which names they want to review.

The Board noted that iwi had been provided with shape files, online maps, etc. The Board considered that a key issue is that iwi are being overwhelmed by the sheer number of names, but processing fewer names also means that the issue of the unofficial names would take many years to resolve. The Board noted that conversely there may be unrealistic expectations from iwi as to the Board's resourcing and its role. The Board noted an example of an email introducing the project to an iwi group in Hawke's Bay Region for the Board's reference.

12.30pm Robin Kearns left the hui

12.30pm-1.19pm Lunch | Kai o te rānui

Copies of the report to the Minister for Land Information for Lake Te Horonui were circulated.

The Board agreed that it needs to revise the programme and it does not want to make decisions without being fully confident. The Board noted the offer from Te Puni Kōkiri's observer to approach TPK to source funding and assist with the programme as a work stream by creating a unit, which could include older people with knowledge, with oversight from the Secretariat. The Board agreed that it shouldn't postpone action indefinitely and noted that some information may be available via Māori land interests, although some information may have long disappeared with the passing of older generations.

Action required

- *Waihoroi Shortland to approach TPK to source funding and assist with the programme.*

11.2 Hawke's Bay Region (1197 recorded names)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A4957352). The Board requested a verbal summary of the results of consultation in Hawke's Bay Region in light of its discussion on the Auckland place names. The Board noted that there had been feedback in the north and south of Hawke's Bay Region, and for some names from multiple Māori groups and the relevant councils. However, in other areas there had been little feedback. The Board noted that where feedback was received this was also variable, so may only represent the view of one of several relevant groups who were contacted.

The Board considered whether it should approve those names that the councils and mana whenua had confirmed. The Board noted that the process had run for an additional six months for this region, which had elicited some additional feedback but with diminishing returns. The Board noted that those groups who had engaged would have an expectation that the Board would act on the information they had given up their time to share.

The Board considered there was no specific urgency to proceed with approving any place names and decided to also pause action on the Hawke's Bay Region names pending TPK's response regarding additional resources for consultation. The Board noted that the effort to date would not be wasted and the information gathered would remain on hand.

8. Deferred proposals | Tono kua tārewatia

8.1 Mount Northcroft, Mount Paterson

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5067717). The Board noted that no action was required at this time.

8.2 Te Kamo (locality)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5055721). The Board noted that the proposer had provided more information about Te Kamo, who was a tupuna, but there was no whakapapa or placement, and appeared to be gaps in the kōrero. However, the proposers had given the Board what they wanted it to know. The Board noted that the original name of the land and kāinga (village) was Te Kamo Block [the appellation for the Crown purchase] and that the whakapapa of Ngāti Kahu-o-Torongare trace back to Te Kamo.

1:55pm Paulette Tamati-Elliffe left the hui and re-joined virtually at 2pm

2pm Waihoroi Shortland left the hui

2pm Sheryl Johnson joined the hui

2pm-2.05pm Shane Te Ruki left the hui

The Board noted that 'Te' is more than the definite article – it is a formal and significant part of a Māori name. It elevates the name of the person and gives the name status and mana. The Board noted that retaining 'Te' is an important matter in regard to a Māori name in much the same way as

'Mac' or 'Mc' is to a Scottish name. The Board agreed that this should be clearly explained when the proposal is notified.

The Board agreed to accept the proposal subject to the observer from Te Puni Kōkiri seeking further kōrero about the whakapapa of Te Kamo given he was a leader of the hapū of Ngāti Kahu-o-Torongare.

Resolution

The Board **accepted** the proposal to **alter** the unofficial recorded name Kamo to **Te Kamo** as the official name of a suburb in Whangārei generally bounded by either:

- Springs Flat to the north, Tikipunga to the east, Whau Valley to the south and Ruatangata West to the west (as provided by the proposer), or
- Whangarei District Council's current definition of Kamo.

Based on:

- the Board's functions to determine the correct spelling of place names, and to collect original Māori names for recording on official charts and maps,
- advice from mana whenua and evidence on the 1858 Deed of Sale of Te Kamo being an original Māori name,
- the general boundaries proposed being the best that can be determined before public consultation,
- recognising the traditional narrative and cultural values associated with the name and the area that it originally applied to, and
- giving effect to the Board's strategic goal to officially name and define all suburbs and localities,

Subject to seeking further kōrero of the tupuna in terms of his whakapapa given he was a leader of the hapū of Ngāti Kahu-o-Torongare.

and

will notify as a proposal to alter for three months clearly inviting comment on the most appropriate extent for the proposal.

Noting that:

- Whangarei District Council's current definition of Kamo in its GIS, which is from the FENZ Localities dataset, covers only the southern and western part of the proposer's extent,
- Whangarei District Council doesn't have a defined boundary for the suburb itself and hasn't been prepared to commit to one,
- more than half of the western rural part of the extent provided by the proposer falls within other localities named in the FENZ Localities dataset as Ngararatunua, Matarau and Ruatangata West,
- extending the boundary north and as far west as Ruatangata West would incorporate a rural component including the unofficial recorded locality names in the Gazetteer, Three Mile Bush, Gumtown, Ngararatunua and Matarau, which are likely to be still used by those communities,
- the proposer's extent would effectively extend the existing Kamo suburb currently defined in the FENZ Localities dataset and impact on the locality boundaries of Ngararatunua, Matarau and Ruatangata West,
- to date Ngāpuhi and Ngātiwai have not provided their views to the Board; however, they will have an opportunity to do so if the Board accepts the proposal and it is publicly notified,
- objections to the suburb's name being altered have already been received through a petition provided in part by the proposer, and
- the proposer's advice that the associated feature, Kamo Springs, will be the subject of a separate proposal.

Moved Merata Kawharu

Seconded Adam Greenland

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- *Waihoroi Shortland to seek further kōrero about the whakapapa of Te Kamo.*
- *Secretariat to notify as a proposal to alter for three months.*

9. Name proposals | Tono taunahatanga (continued)

9.2 Te Awa o Mokotūāraro (from Clive River)

Additional information tabled

- Letter of support from Hawke's Bay Regional Council – 3 November 2022 (Linzone ID A5100650)
- Letter from of support from Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust – 30 November 2022 (Linzone ID A5104566)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5066839). The Board noted that the hui held to advise the proposers that their proposal to alter Clive River to Ngaruroro Moko-tū-āraro ki Rangatira had been declined was emotional and distressing for the proposers. The Board acknowledged the proposers' frustration. The Board agreed to notify this proposal for one month.

Resolution

The Board **accepted** the proposal to **alter** the existing official place name from Clive River to the official place name **Te Awa o Mokotūāraro** based on:

- *the Board's functions to investigate and determine the priority of the discovery of a geographic feature, and to collect and encourage the use of original Māori names on official charts and maps,*
- *the name restoring the historic connection between Clive River and Ngaruroro River, which has the original Māori name, Ngaruroro Moko-tū-āraro ki Rangatira, for the full length of the whole original river course,*
- *the Māori generic term 'Awa' appropriately describing the feature, and*
- *Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust, Napier City Council and Hastings District Council supporting the proposal,*

and

will notify as a proposal to alter for one month.

Noting that the views of Ahuriri Hapū have not been provided to date. However, they will have an opportunity to make a submission on the proposal during the public notification period.

Moved Shaun Barnett

Seconded Shane Te Ruki

All in favour

Carried

Action required

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

9.3 Whangamarino, Rangiriri (localities)

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5081365). The Board noted the main points of the proposal were to better define the boundary between Rangiriri, Te Kauwhata and Whangamarino, and concerns over the use of the name Hampton Downs from the FENZ² NZ Localities

² Fire and Emergency New Zealand

dataset. The Board noted that it shouldn't be constrained by what the FENZ Localities dataset currently has in place if it isn't suitable.

The Board noted that recommendations on a decision had been withdrawn from the agenda as the proposal lacked all the information needed to make a decision. However, it is still important to report to the Board for initial consideration and comments. The Secretariat advised it had met with Waikato District Council on 29 November 2022. Waikato District Council had advised that it would consult internally and report back to the Board in time for its next hui.

2:17pm Sheryll Johnson left the hui

The Board noted that Rangiriri as a place name was very significant in the context of the Crown invasion of the Waikato and there were recent works to reconstruct the pā site. The Board noted that Ngāti Naho hapū were mana whenua and expected its views would be accounted for when it considered the full proposal. The Board noted that the proposer had written support from two marae in Rangiriri, but that clarification of their views on the proposed boundaries is required.

Action required

- *Secretariat to fully report on proposals for Whangamarino and Rangiriri at the Board's first hui in 2023, subject to receiving Waikato District Council's views.*

9.4 Ngaure Stream [Ngāmoko Stream]

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5083057). The Board agreed given that research and consultation undertaken to assess the original proposal, it should propose to approve the existing name as official.

Resolution

*The Board **accepts** a new proposal to **approve Ngāmoko Stream** as an official place name, based on*

- *confirmed support from the original proposer, who had advised they represented mana whenua views,*
- *full research and consultation having been undertaken already,*
- *standardising the orthography,*

and

will notify as a proposal to approve for one month.

Noting that Ngaure Stream is an alternative recorded name for the same feature therefore public consultation is required.

Moved Adam Greenland

Seconded Shaun Barnett

All in favour

Carried

Action required

- *Secretariat to notify Ngāmoko Stream as a proposal to approve for one month.*

7. Submissions on proposals | Tāpaetanga ki ngā tono

7.1 Stewart Crag

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5044728). The Board noted that the information on the survey plans referenced may be binding. The Board noted the quality of the evidence provided by the objector and that two features nearby are already named for William Stewart. The Board noted that GJ Roberts was a well-respected surveyor and explorer, and his plans are considered to be authoritative as surveys. Kea Crag for the rock face is also in local use. The Board agreed that in this case the research and evidence from early survey records and confirmation of local use provided in the objecting submission outweigh the 70+ years' depiction on published maps.

The Board noted that by upholding the objecting submission the proposal will not have to go to the Minister for Land Information for the final decision. The Board noted this was the first time it had made a final decision in terms of section 19(1)(b) of the NZGB Act 2008. The Board noted that in upholding the objection for Kea Crag it would be altering the existing recorded name for the bluff, rather than making the recorded name for the spot height official.

The Board asked that the Secretariat amend the report to take account of its decision and send a note of thanks to the proposer (who was also the objecting submitter).

Resolution

*The Board **considered** the one submission and its reasons objecting to the proposal to approve Stewart Crag as an official place name,*

and

***Upheld** the objecting submission based on the reasons provided outweighing the reasons that the Board previously accepted for the proposal, being that Kea Crag for the rock face and not the high point has been in use on official survey records and in local use.*

***Noting** that because the Board upheld the objection and made the final determination, it does not need to report to the Minister for Land Information.*

and

***will notify Kea Crag** in terms of sections 19(1)(b) and 19(3) of the NZGB Act 2008.*

Moved Merata Kawharu

Seconded Shaun Barnett

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretariat to notify the Board's final determination to alter Stewart Crag to Kea Crag as an official place name.
- Secretariat to amend the report to take account of the Board's decision.
- Secretariat to send a note of thanks to the proposer.

2.45pm Lizy Garlick left the hui

5. Minister's decisions | Whakatau a te Minita

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5065890). The Board noted that the Minister for Land Information's decision on Lake Te Horonui had been discussed under Matters arising | Ngā take i ara ake (item 4.2). The Board wondered if it could meet with the Minister again in 2023.

6. Delegated decisions | Whakatau kua tukua kēhia

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5053326).

2:50pm Paulette Tamati-Elliffe left the hui (virtual)

2:50pm – 3:00pm Afternoon tea | Kaputī

10. Corrections, amendments requiring gazettes, and other actions | Whakatikanga, whakahounga kia kāhetia, me ētahi atu mahi

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5067769) which covered several matters arising from enquiries. The Board noted that these issues could be addressed without requiring formal proposals and public consultation. The Board agreed that there would be minimal risk and agreed to proceed with the recommendations.

The Board discussed what course of action it should take for the Ben More names, noting its options covered approving the names outright to formally consulting if they might be controversial. The Board noted that the correct orthography of the Ben More names would be for two separate words. The Board agreed to approve the two names and write to DOC about consistency with the names of the track and hut. The Board noted that while consistency among this group of names was desirable, the news media might still confuse the location with those of the other Benmore and Ben More names in Te Waipounamu.

Resolutions

The Board **agreed to notify amendments** to:

- NZ Gazette 1990, No. 53, page 1213 to standardise the official place name Kaumatua Ridge to **Kaumātua Ridge**, and
- NZ Gazette 1984 No. 204, page 4798 to standardise the official place name Whakatikei River to **Whakatīkei River**.

Based on a request from Upper Hutt City to review the orthography of older existing official place names. **Noting** no existing processes would otherwise have reviewed these place names and a third official place name, Titi Stream, requires the meaning to determine if Titi or Tītī is correct.

AND

Agreed to notify an amendment to NZ Gazette 1948, No. 42, page 939 to standardise the official place name Whaingaroa Harbour to **Whāingaroa Harbour**, based on a request from Waikato Regional Council to review orthography of the official place name.

and

Approved Whāingaroa (hill) for consistency, **subject** to consultation with Waikato District Council and relevant mana whenua groups,

Noting that these actions would otherwise potentially be recommended c.2026 under the region by region approval programme.

AND

Agreed to correct the official place names Lois Peak and Aspinall Peak in the Gazetteer to **Mount Lois** and **Mount Aspinall** in terms of the Board's 1938 decision, notwithstanding the use of Lois Peak and Aspinall Peak on official maps since 1976 (46 years),

and

Notifies amendments to NZ Gazette 1948, No. 42, page 939 to clarify the official place names, including that Mount Lois is the whole mountain feature with spot heights at 2015m and 1981m.

AND

Reconfirms its decision made at its 18 October 2019 hui to **approve Mākirikiri Stream South Branch** and **notify** in terms of section 21(2) of the NZGB Act 2008, noting that this full name is only recorded in topographic data due to space limitations on published maps.

AND

Confirmed a correction of the unofficial recorded name Waipuna Caves / Moa bone cave to just **Waipuna Caves** in the Gazetteer, based on advice from the Toitū Te Whenua LINZ topographic team that '(Moa bone cave)' is descriptive text in parentheses and not part of the place name.

AND

Approved the unofficial recorded place names, **Ben More** (hill) and **Ben More Stream** as official.

Moved Merata Kawharu

Seconded Shaun Barnett

All in favour

Carried

Actions required

- Secretariat to notify amendments to five official place names.
- Secretariat to notify Mākirikiri Stream South Branch, Ben More (hill) and Ben More Stream as approved official place names.
- Secretariat to write to DOC concerning consistency of the names of Benmore Hut and Benmore Track
- Secretariat to write to the local Council/Toitū Te Whenua LINZ concerning consistency of Benmore Road.
- Secretariat to notify Whāingaroa (hill) as an official place name subject to consultation with Waikato District Council and relevant mana whenua groups.
- Secretariat to update Waipuna Caves / Moa bone cave to just Waipuna Caves in the Gazetteer.

12. Crown protected area names | Ngā taunahatanga e tiakina ana e te Karauna

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5071705). The Board noted that the Secretary had reviewed and concurred with Te Kūihi Scenic Reserve, which has already been gazetted and published in the Gazetteer.

The Board noted that DOC is undertaking a project to classify and reserve its stewardship land starting with a pilot in the West Coast Region in 2023. The Board noted that the process would create new Ngāi Tahu cultural reserves [as Local Purpose Reserves]. The Board noted that DOC won't formally classify former stewardship land until the Board has processed the proposed names and it should be possible to deal with the proposed names quickly through the review and concurrence process.

The Board noted that a special hui may be required to deal with the CPA name proposals arising from the DOC stewardship land. Similarly, due to the potential number of names it may not be possible to prepare separate standard review and concurrence reports for each name, so a spreadsheet approach

similar to when large Treaty settlement name proposals are made may be required. The Board noted that if the Secretary doesn't concur with any proposed name, it will be elevated to the Minister of Conservation for a final decision. The Board noted that any CPA name proposals should adhere to the *Standard for Crown protected area names*. The Board noted that DOC is nearing completion of an internal standard operating procedure for Crown protected area names for their statutory land managers which will ensure greater consistency with CPA name proposals.

Treaty advice | He kupu āwhina mō te Tiriti

In confidence | Kia noho matatapu

13. Treaty names update | Kōrero hou mō ngā taunahatanga Tiriti

The Board welcomed Joanna Barnes-Wylie who has succeeded Ginny Leggett as its Senior Advisor (Treaty Names).

In confidence item 13 | Ngā take tapu 13

Policies | Ngā kaupapa here

14. Policies | Nga Kaupapa here

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5072196). The Secretary provided a brief verbal update.

Outreach | Toronga

15. Outreach and Engagement | Toronga me te Whakawhanaunga

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5081729).

Projects, initiatives | Ngā mahi, ngā Kaupapa

16. Projects, initiatives | Ngā mahi, ngā kaupapa

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5072197). The Secretary provided a verbal update on the actions.

The Board noted that the Outreach Lead had left the Secretariat in October 2022, and while the Secretariat had evaluated its list of outreach actions there was little progress for some. The Board noted that there has been a soft launch of its new branding with most templates and publications being updated, and that a gradual transition to 'Pou Taunaha' is underway. However, due to funding a separate website has been postponed.

The Board noted progress on:

- adding new history/origin/meaning entries to the Gazetteer,
- the upcoming virtual field trip featuring Shane Te Ruki and Ngāti Maniapoto place names,

- the successful launch of the Gazetteer’s pronunciation/audio function, which was demonstrated,
- the new Tangata Whenua place names maps, which are nearly ready for publication following a long process.

The Board noted its appreciation for the efforts of the Secretariat given limited resources.

Secretariat’s update| Kōrero hou a te Hekeretari

17. Secretariat’s update | Kōrero hou a te Hekeretari

Board discussion

The Board noted the information and report provided (Linzone ID A5072259). The Board noted that terms had expired for some Board members and the appointments process was underway with Toitū Te Whenua LINZ Policy team. The Board noted that Bonita Bigham (LGNZ) has already indicated she will not be put forward for a second term.

The Board noted that approximately forty proposals have been received from a Wellington Region resident for making various local use names official. The Board noted the Secretariat had completed an initial assessment and that it will need to decline some of the proposals outright. Some proposals are for the names of trig stations previously shown on topographic maps and so are not in the Board’s naming jurisdiction or are for very minor features. The Board noted that at this time no recommendations have been made as the minimum requirements for consultation with mana whenua have not been met.

The Board noted that Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori hasn’t yet received a copy of the Board’s 2021/22 Annual Report and so will send another one.

The Board noted:

- that Māori-Crown relations and Treaty of Waitangi partnerships were now one of Toitū Te Whenua LINZ’s four new strategic outcomes,
- compliance actions including follow up on MetService’s new homepage,
- recent engagement with Australia, the Standing Committee on Antarctic Geographic Information (SCAGI),
- another article on Gazetteer data has been provided for the United National Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN) Bulletin,
- an update on the judicial review, which Wendy Shaw and Merata Kawharu prepared lengthy affidavits for, noting they may be called at the hearing.

Actions required

- *Secretariat to send another copy of the Board’s 2021/22 Annual Report to Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori.*

Other business | He take atu anō

18. Other business | He take atu anō

Board discussion

The Board noted that its Undersea Feature Names Committee (UFNC) has two new members, Cdr Tim Hall from the Royal New Zealand Navy and Richard Ford from the Ministry for Primary Industries. The Board noted that the UFNC’s next hui will be held on 16 February 2023.

The Board discussed proposed timings for its 2023 hui – April, early July and early October. The Board noted that it could consider more routine matters online, for example, dealing with the upcoming Crown protected area name proposals resulting from the reclassification of stewardship land. However, it does prefer face-to-face hui. The Board noted that its July 2023 hui could be held either at Waitangi or Kororāreka, but there could be challenges in hosting an offsite hui.

The Board agreed that the technology had worked well, and it had made some good decisions.

The hui closed at 3.55pm with the Board’s karakia lead by Shane Te Ruki.

Action required

- *Secretary to circulate provisional dates for Board hui in 2023.*

Certified as a true and correct record of the hui:

Anselm Haanen, Chairperson

Date

Actions from 2 December 2022 minutes (excluding Secretariat actions)			
Agenda Item	Action	By Whom	Comments
11.1 Auckland Council (1433 recorded names)	Approach TPK to source funding and assist with the programme.	Waihoroi Shortland	
8.2 Te Kamo (locality)	Seek further kōrero about the whakapapa of Te Kamo	Waihoroi Shortland	