

17 January 2025

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Response to your official information request

Thank you for your email of 20 December 2024 requesting information on the cost to Toitū Te Whenua of the proposal to change the suburb name from Petone to Pito One.

The New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa does not record staff or Board member time against each individual name proposal. We do not hold information on the associated costs and are therefore not able to provide this information for the proposed Petone place name change.

The only direct costs available are for parts of the process that relate to public notification in newspapers, the NZ Gazette, and obtaining a copy of a birth notice for research purposes:

		Cost excl GST
Public notification	Hutt News	\$360
Public notification	The Post	\$239.04
Public notification	Sunday Star Times	\$146.31
Public notification	NZ Gazette 2024-In2245	\$37.48
Additional research	Birth Record from Births, Deaths, and Marriages (DIA) (George Petoni Carter)	\$26.09
	Total	\$808.92

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review this response. Information about how to do this is at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or phone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this information, please contact Wendy Shaw, Secretary to the Board at wshaw@linz.govt.nz or on 04 4600581.

Nāku noa, nā



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