



# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Local Government (Ōpōtiki District Council) Order 2019

**Portfolio**                      **Land Information**

On 10 December 2019, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1        **noted** that section 11(2) of the New Zealand Geographic Board Act 2008 (the Act) gives the New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa (the Board) a function to alter the name of a local authority region if the relevant local authority consents or requests it, by resolution;

#### **Prior process — changing the region name under the New Zealand Geographic Board Act**

- 2        **noted** that on 5 June 2018, the Opotiki District Council resolved to alter the official district name from ‘Opotiki District’ to ‘Ōpōtiki District’;
- 3        **noted** that the Board dealt with the requested alteration as required by sections 16 to 20 of the Act, by publicly notifying, and receiving submissions on the requested alteration;
- 4        **noted** that on 13 September 2019, the Chair of the Board, under delegation and acting under section 19(1)(a) of the Act accepted ‘Ōpōtiki District’ as the final determination;

#### **Changing the local authority’s name under the Local Government Act**

- 5        **noted** that on 20 October 2019, the Minister for Land Information agreed to recommend to the Governor-General the making of an Order in Council under section 260 of the Local Government Act 2002;
- 6        **noted** that the Order in Council amends schedule 2 of the Local Government Act to alter ‘Opotiki District Council’ to ‘Ōpōtiki District Council’;
- 7        **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Local Government (Ōpōtiki District Council) Order 2019 [PCO 22490/2.0];

8 **noted** that the Order comes into force on 17 January 2020.

Gerrard Carter  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Rt Hon Winston Peters  
Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)  
Hon Andrew Little  
Hon David Parker  
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway  
Hon Jenny Salesa  
Hon Kris Faafoi  
Hon Tracey Martin  
Hon Eugenie Sage  
Michael Wood MP (Senior Government Whip)

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