

# Proposed Electorates Objection Form

REPRESENTATION  
COMMISSION  
TE KŌMIHANA WHAKATAU ROHE PŌTI

## Your details

I am making an objection ☒ as an individual ☐ on behalf of an organisation

I would like to present my objection to the Representation Commission in person ☐ Yes ☐ No

Title  First name  Last name

Position (if applicable)

Organisation I represent (if applicable)

If you're making an objection on behalf of an organisation make sure you are authorised to represent their views. The name of the organisation will be published with the objection.

Address

City/Town

Email

## Your objection

Proposed electorate my objection relates to

Write the **proposed** electorate that contains the area you want to comment on. Complete a separate objection form for each geographic area you want to comment on.

My objection relates to ☐ a proposed boundary ☒ a proposed name

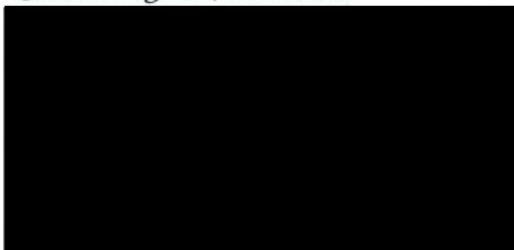
Your objection and reasons. Please attach additional documents if required.

Refer attached.

Your suggested solution. Please attach additional documents if required.

Rename to "Mangakaua".

David J E Holland



To Representation Committee  
Via. email

26 March 2025

**Re. Proposed Mt Maunganui Electorate, Name Change.**

With my extensive background (refer below) I strongly object to the name Mount Maunganui for the new electorate, such name is not synonymous with nor reflects the majority of the area, its inhabitants, history etc. Indeed, I go so far as to say such name is an insult to those areas outside the area recognised as Mount Maunganui.

I recommend the name Mangatawa for reasons referred to below, such name is more generic and reflects the whole electorate area more appropriately than any other name I can think of.

**Why Mangatawa.**

1. The area known as Mount Maunganui is located at the north western end of the new electorate. Until 1987 (amalgamation) it was considered a separate legal entity. Some there still consider it not part of Tauranga City *per se*.
2. A Google search shows the history as "*Was also known as Maungamana. Some believe this indicates it has greater significance than Mauao. It is one of the earliest Maori settlements where Tamatea ariki nui, captain of the Takitimu canoe, planted the sacred flax wharawharanui.*"
3. Mangatawa is dominated by a maunga which is looked upon as a guardian for the majority of area now proposed for the new electorate.
4. The main area's marae, associated with Nga Potiki Iwi, is at Tamapahore located at the foot of the maunga. Their influence, including landholdings past and present, throughout the area is widespread.
5. That maunga in the past was quarried by the MOW with its material used for the development of roads and other infrastructure relating to all areas within the new electorate.
6. Rangataua Bay is a Waihi Tapu area important to Nga Potiki (and no doubt other hapu), a large part of this electorate surrounds this bay.

## **My Background.**

7. In 1976 I opened the Tauranga Office for Tonkin & Taylor.
8. In 1979 I became the Senior Planning Officer for the then Tauranga County Council, such area involving Papamoa and a large part of this electorate, hence became well acquainted with the area. I was one who pushed for making Marae housing around a marae recognised in the new District Plan.
9. In the mid 1980s I was an EM for the Tauranga County Council, hence was involved in the development of the majority of new electorate.
10. In 1992 we (the original Maori owners and ourselves as a JV) completed the development at 199-209 Papamoa Beach Road.
11. Until we sold our Tauranga surveying, planning consultancy firm in 2006 I have carried many consults in the whole area, hence know the region and its history well.



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**David JE Holland**