

# 2005/06 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 13 May 2005

I do not wish to make a personal submission at the hearings.

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**Your Submission:**

I request that the \$11 million funding for a flat-water recreation facility be retained in the Annual Plan.  
I also request that as the Christchurch City Council has investigated and could not secure any alternative to the Lake Isaac proposal that the funding is allocated to the Lake Isaac Trust Water Sports Facility.

I would like to make the following points in support of the funding being allocated to the Lake Isaac Trust Water Sports Facility:

- I do not believe that the allocation of funds to Kerrs Reach will be a substitute for a Water Sports Facility as proposed with the Lake Isaac Trust. Kerrs Reach serves the rowing and kayaking sportspeople whereas the Lake Isaac facility will benefit some 17 sports.
- The bird strike possibility is an issue but I understand that with a consultative approach this problem can be managed.
- Lake Isaac will enable each of these sports codes to increase participation from school children to competitive athletes at both national and international level.
- The Christchurch City Council has actively promoted healthier, fitter lifestyle for all and the development of Lake Isaac will open the door for a huge numbers of Christchurch people to take advantage of.
- I am involved in multisport and have seen a huge increase in numbers both out training and competing in events. Christchurch is well known nationally and internationally and to have such a facility would increase the number of people coming here to train and the ability to put an event on within such a great development. Christchurch would benefit financially from this.
- A purpose built water sports park provides not only an ideal venue for events but for training and recreation also.
- The alternative use of this land which the proposed Lake Isaac Water Sports Park is not one that myself or many other active people of Christchurch would be happy with.