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Christchurch City Council

We are writing to support the Council funding allocation of \$250,000 towards the building of a Youth Facility in Papanui by Te Papanui Trust as recorded on page 97 in the 2006 Annual Draft Plan.

There is a lack of facilities for young people in the Northwest region where families can engage their children in the types of activities offered by Te Papanui Trust. The multi use options of the building climbing wall, music recording studio, craft room, meeting rooms, office space hall space etc will benefit the young people' learning, as they will have a range of new experiences that they can talk and write about.

The Youth facility will give a focus to the young people in the area with a positive venue, and also the chance for them to be involved in running programmes and leadership training.

Te Ora Hou commends the track record of Te Papanui Trust in keeping this project going over the years, and that the Papanui Youth Development Trust, has the experience, resources, and community knowledge to run it well.

Te Ora Hou work with Maori at risk young people in Christchurch but is based in Papanui. We work closely with over 100 young people and their families. To have a resource such as the youth facility in the area is something we look forward to as we anticipate being a regular user. We already work closely with Papanui Youth Development Trust and look forward to strengthening that tie when they operate the youth facility.

We wish Te Papanui Trust all the best for this innovation, and ask as a council that you would confirm the grant and the coming budget.

Yours sincerely

Jono Campbell
Manager