

LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 5 May 2006

I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this submission be considered.

I am completing this submission:
For yourself

Number of people you represent:

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I also want to respond to: Aquatic Facilities

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Your Submission:

Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?

I wish to comment on the aquatic facilities plan especially the decision to close the Edgeware pool.

I have John Filsells report re the condition and cost of upgrading and maintaining the Edgeware swimming pool and it makes sobering reading.

However many people prefer outdoor swimming pools.
as they are more natural and quieter.

The Edgeware pool has never been promoted. Many people in the area don't even know it exists. For many years the opening and closing times were stated wrongly on the street sign. This was corrected this year.

It has often been poorly managed run by young people who sometimes havent made a vey good job of controlling groups of youths or badly behaved young people and even have not opened it at the correct times. Rubbish has not been collected and the changing rooms have not been kept clean. This had made some people reluctant to go there.

This year the pool facilities were provided to the community for free. This resulted in many more people using the facilities.

Once again there was often only one young male supervising the entire crowd.

This is unacceptable when there are large numbers of adolescents horsing around.

Many people who used the pool were obviously from low income families or on fixed incomes. Many older people also used the pool. The council has failed to provide cheap recreation and leisure for low income people. The Edgeware pool provided that this year. Creating a large indoor pool in the north part of Christchurch will not solve this problem as many people will not be able to afford to use it or travel to it.

The Edgeware should be replaced or renovated in its present site.

**Your Submission
(Cont'd):**

It should have longer opening hours ie from 10 am not 12 noon so that older folk can come and do lane swimming which is not possible when it is full of young people in the afternoon

The facility could be leased to a private venture who could have swimming lessons there from 8am until 10 am or whatever.

Many local school pools which used to be available in the holidays are no longer available.

this has really decreased the ability for residents enjoyably in their local environment.

The council should be promoting swimming and healthy outdoor activities in the local area.

Many people do not want to swim at large scary complex.

There must be some way to save small local facilities and run them profitably.

Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)

Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?