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Questions and Answers Summary

Q1: Can you elaborate on the categories of sport, leisure, and play? What subcategories need to increase or decrease?

The focus should be on increasing leisure, play, relaxation, and hydrotherapy spaces, as there is currently a demand for these areas. There is no need for more lane space or 50-meter pools; instead, smaller pools are suggested to reduce costs. When you reduce the size of a pool by five metres, it is amazing how much you suddenly reduce the cost of that pool. The cost reduction is massive. We have a lot of expensive pools that we can't afford.

Q2: Should we consider regional or local perspectives during deliberations?

It is essential to think regionally rather than just locally within Napier City. Working in isolation is not effective. The development of a regional aquatics plan will take six to eight months to develop so don't be rushed. We will be working very closely with planning consultants who will be so interested in the work of the Assembly. They need to hear this and the work that the Assembly is doing is going to be gold for them. We are gonna take your local context and we are going to put it through the filtration system of the regional context and make sure that we have the right outcomes for us as a region. We're not expecting you to come up with regional answers

Q3: What changes could make Ocean Spa more affordable and increase local usage?

Specific changes can't be determined until the regional plan is completed.