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**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** Application no. 2016/01441/FUL

Dear Members of the Planning Committee of the Vale of Glamorgan

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposal for wake-boarding at Cosmeston Lakes Country Park.

For years, certainly in all the time I have lived in Penarth, this site has been a nature reserve that I have visited frequently and to which I have been proud to take visitors including friends from Germany where such nature reserves are highly regarded.

I am shocked that there is a proposal to change the nature of Cosmeston by introducing wake-boarding facilities. This is not in keeping with the tranquil nature of the park which is well loved and much visited by local people and visitors from other parts of South Wales.

The increase in noise and the impact on the environment due to the installation of necessary equipment will have a detrimental effect on the park. It seems that a PA system will be used when competitions take place. Such noise will scare off the visiting and resident birds which are one of the main features of the site. Please see that this Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSCI) retains its natural features and the purposes for which it was intended. Furthermore there is already pressure on car parking at Cosmeston especially in fine summer weather without this added "attraction".

The Whitewater Rafting Centre in Cardiff Bay has been very successful but it was built in a suitable location.

There may well be a place for wake-boarding but it shouldn't be at Cosmeston Country Park.

Please record my objections as stated above.

Thank you for your attention.

Kind regards

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