

Area Board Project

1. What is the Initiative?

BMX skate park project. This project has come from a group of young people who would like to see a modern fit for purpose BMX Park in Amesbury. The group have been involved with this project for some time, designing and planning the refurbishment of the existing skate park at the recreation ground. The group have done a number of presentations to CAYPIG, Amesbury Town Council and the Area Board. The group have received over 50 signatures on a petition and over 100 young people have expressed an interest through a face page the group have set up.

2. Where is the initiative taking place?

It is hoped that the existing skate park at the recreation ground (Bonny Mead) can be refurbished and re-designed to meet the needs of the young people in Amesbury at a low cost to the community.

3. When will the initiative take place?

The group are currently waiting for quotes from the Town Council. Once they are received they will be forwarded to the Area board. It would be good if the project could be completed in the next few months. This will mean a large number of young people will have access to the park over the summer holidays.

4. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/links to Community Plan/Community Issue?

The benefits to the community will include:

An up to date BMX/skate park, away from residential areas, meet the needs of a wide age range of children and young people in the community, a graffiti wall if approved.

5. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

The desired outcome will be:

Some where suitable for young people to go where they can practice and develop their BMX/skate board skills, graffiti arts skills in an environment that will be acceptable to both young people and the community.

6. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

Two young people from Amesbury. They will advocate for the other members of the group and project manage the design and reorganisation of the skate park at Bonny Mead, with support from the Development Service for Young People and Amesbury Town Council.

7. Costs/quotes/ match funding? (total cost £5k require 1 quote, total cost £5k-25k require 3 quotes)

The cost of this project is estimated at between £8/10 thousand. Quotes are being sourced by the Town Council. It is understood that the Town Council will also be contributing to the project.

8. Additional information

This project if successful will benefit a large number of young people in the community area and contribute to both the area board community plan and Wiltshire council plan to provide value for money activities which will meet the needs of the young people now and in the future.