

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Skate Park
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Summary of announcement:

An invitation to tender for the design and build of the new skate park at Green Lane was sent out in early summer. During September interviews were carried out jointly by the Town Council and the Devizes area board with those manufacturers who had been short listed. A number of young skaters were involved in this process and following the necessary checks we agreed to go with their recommendation to award Wheel Scape the contract.

Currently work is taking place putting the final design together and consulting on this with potential users. A full planning application will be submitted in early January with work commencing as soon as this has been granted.

Roundway Parish Council are also contributing to the project and through working together, we have been able to increase the budget available. Other partners including Green Lane Hospital and the police are supportive of the park and we continue to work closely with them including mitigating against any possible risks and maximising any opportunities.

Although it has taken longer than we would all have liked for the skate park to be built, we are delighted that due to the determination of all parties and especially that of the skaters, it is now under way and should be ready for when the good weather hopefully returns in the spring.