

# The Benefits of a Skatepark

The benefits of a Skatepark can include:

- 1) Health & wellbeing
- 2) A physical activity for children and young people, particularly attractive for those not involved or not interested in traditional team sports
- 3) A safe and challenging place for wheeled sports participants to develop their skills
- 4) Skateparks provide a safe alternative to “street skating”
- 5) Helps to reduce anti social behaviour
- 6) Will bring economic benefit to the town
- 7) May attract out of town visitors “wheeled sport tourism”
- 8) A place for participants to learn patience and respect as well as concern for their own and others safety
- 9) A place to recognise the skills of accomplished participants
- 10) A destination for family outings
- 11) All age groups can enjoy Skateparks
- 12) Wheeled sports are popular spectator sports
- 13) Skateparks support vibrant healthy communities, just like other sports facilities
- 14) A really positive environment for young people where they forge friendships, camaraderie and push themselves against each other in their sports.
- 15) If a town doesn't have a Skatepark – it is Skatepark