# Burghfield Skateboard Park - Upgrade Proposals Tender document - August 2023

#### **Introduction**

Burghfield Parish Council intends to upgrade its existing skateboard park in Hollybush Lane to a concrete based facility from its present metal-based model.

It intends to ask for tenders, which it will agree in the Autumn this year with the possibility of work commencing during late 2023, subject to a satisfactory contract, contractor availability and any weather opportunity/restrictions.

The Parish Council lists below general information on the upgrade and invites interested parties to contact the Parish Council for further information and an opportunity to look at the site. A location plan and existing site pictures are included in the appendix.

#### **General information**

Burghfield is located within West Berkshire, lying 4 miles southwest of Reading. The population is 6000 with a secondary school, 3 primary schools and a nursery school. Burghfield has an active village hall and a leisure centre with a large number of active local groups.

#### **Aspirations**

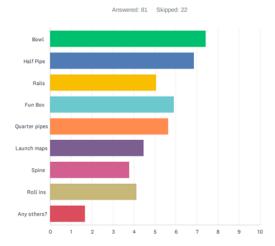
The Parish Council wishes to improve the skateboard park as an important contribution to the community, particularly for the 6-26 age groups. We have a working party consisting of local residents and have involved parishioners as much as possible to help identify the "must-haves" in the design of the upgraded park. We would expect the tendering companies to also meet and discuss any proposals with the intended users.

We see the upgraded park being suitable for the beginner/average user.

#### Consultation

A series of consultations have been held to engage the community in the potential design of the skate park and to identify the "must haves" with a Survey/Questionnaire being circulated to all schools in January 2021. An article was also placed in the parish newsletter during 2021, which was delivered to every household within the parish and further consultation at the May Fayre in 2023. The feedback confirmed that the following "must-haves" were incorporated into the designs:

Q7 Please score the following, in preference order, the items you feel are important in a wheeled sport facility:

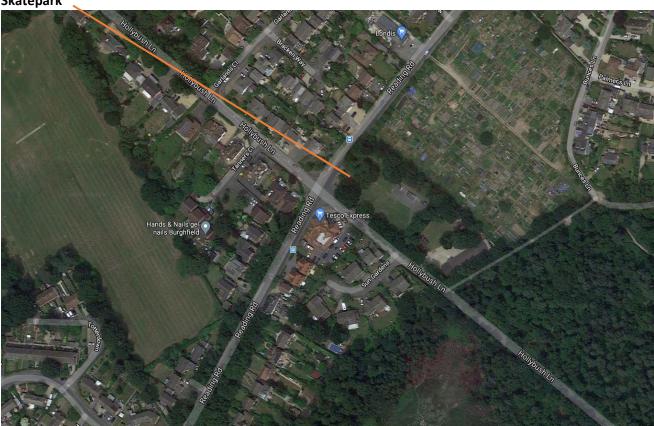


# The site

The current site is approximately 28 x 12 meters in size, forming part of a small recreation ground. It currently houses a metal skate park facility, installed in 2006.

The site is located opposite a Tesco express, next to the Scout hut and alongside the parish allotment site.

# Skatepark



Old Recreation Ground, Hollybush Lane, Burghfield. Existing skateboard park in approximate centre of picture.

### **Finance**

The Parish Council is working on a budget assumption of the cost being in the range of £250,000. External funding of £140,000, as of May 2023, has been secured with the remainder to be sought. Please note the parish council will exercise due diligence in relation to the financials of any company submitting a tender by way of undertaking the necessary checks.

## **Potential Partners**

We are looking for a partner to provide a proposal for a scheme that incorporates the identified features. Evidence of previous works to support your submission and accompanying references are also required. We also require details as to how the proposed design is to be delivered with your tender.

We welcome enquiries from companies interested in finding out more or wishing to tender. Visits to site are encouraged prior to submitting a tender to understand the geographic of the area and in anticipation of preparing suitable designs.

Please contact Cally Morris, Parish Clerk at <u>clerk@burghfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> or telephone on **0118 9831748** to register your interest.

Closing date for submissions is midnight on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023.