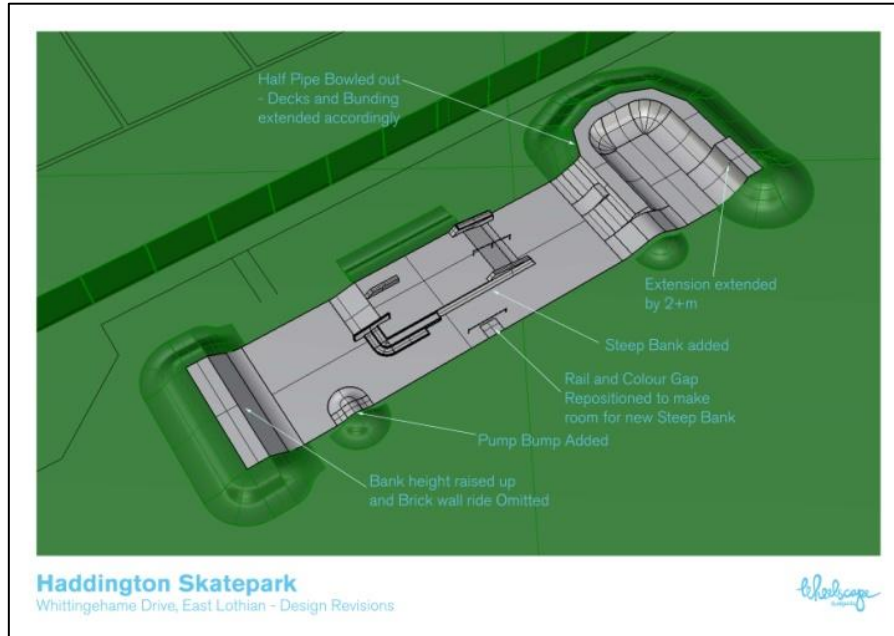


Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership

Proposal to allocate funds to the Haddington Skate Park Project



Background

In a survey carried out in 2011 by Urban animation on behalf of (what subsequently became) Haddington Community Development Trust a Skate park was identified by the Young People in the Area as a primary requirement. Haddington Community Council (HCC) then became involved in this project when a Young Person wrote to them asking for their support. In May 2015 the Haddington and Lammermuir Area Partnership agreed to support the development of the Skate park project under auspices of the Area Partnership as this was identified as a Goal to be delivered under the draft Area.

Land for the project has currently been identified in front of the football pitches on Whittingehame Drive, Haddington and ELC Amenity Services are fully supporting the project and have agreed to 'adopt' the skate park on completion for maintenance etc.

Over the summer period a number of workshops have been held with some Young People culminating in ELC Amenity Services carrying out a tender / procurement exercise. The winning bid came from Wheelscape (<http://www.wheelscape.co.uk/>) a Company who specialise in bespoke Skate park design and construction and the project was identified as having a total budget cost of £107,750 (see over for details). To date all but £50K has been raised from a number of sources in funding for this project and a subsequent bid for this amount was made to Viridor Credits at the start of August 2015. A decision on this is expected imminently.

When Viridor Credits awards funding it awards a gross amount to the applicant (in this case HCC) and for this amount to be released a payment of 10% of the award (i.e. £5K) is required from a Contributing Third Party (that is neither the applicant Organisation i.e. HCC nor Viridor Credits) to Viridor Waste Management.

Current Project Budget

Total Project Value	£107,750	Notes
<i>ELC Contribution</i>	<i>£20,000</i>	<i>Land, clearance, landscaping</i>
<i>Cash raised by HCC in fundraising</i>	<i>£4,000</i>	<i>Approved</i>
Haddington Common Good Fund	£5,000	Approved
HCC Additional contribution	£2,000	Approved
Haddington Community Development Trust	£5,000	Approved
Haddington Local Housing Partnership	£21,750	Approved in principle
Viridor Credits	£50,000	Decision awaited. 10% of award is required to release funds

Proposal

Haddington Community Council are requesting that the Haddington and Lammermuir Area Partnership become the Contributing Third Party for this project and provide **£5,000 (or 10% of any award amount from Viridor Credits up to this figure)** to realise their plan for a Skate park at Whittingehame Drive in Haddington. This request links directly with the proposal identified in the current Draft Area Plan (Strategic Objective 3 / Priority 1 – *“All areas of the Ward are equipped with the facilities required to support thriving local communities”*). This facility will provide a high quality sporting and social facility that will be enjoyed by not only the Young People in Haddington but also those across also the wider Area Partnership. The Skate park has been designed for by skateboarders and also those who use roller blades, scooters and bikes. Throughout the design process particular emphasis has also been focussed on making this an inclusive facility so that wheelchair users can also benefit

