

14. UPGRADE TO THE HOON HAY PARK SKATEBOARD FACILITIES

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The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with:

- A draft plan for an upgrade to the Hoon Hay Park Skateboarding Facilities (to be presented at the meeting).
- An outline of the proposed consultation process.
- An update on funding for this project.

CONSULTATION

Earlier this year staff members ran a survey at the Hoon Hay Park fun day asking residents about the Park, with a specific emphasis put on the Skateboard Bowl. From these results Jeff Bellamore from City Design, and Andy Wiley (skateboarding consultant) have produced a concept plan. This plan will be a starting point for the consultation process. Consultation will consist of a letter box drop to the local neighbourhood and schools. An informal meeting will be held at the Hoon Hay Youth Centre.

Ideally, construction would begin prior to the summer school holidays, however this will be dependent on the consultation outcomes.

COSTING

The Community Board allocated \$35,000 from its 1999/2000 Project Funds for Youth Recreation. \$5,000 has been allocated to Manuka Cottage for the position of a Youth, Family and Employment worker, and provision of \$10,000 to respond to the Youth Summit recommendations was included in this Project Fund. This leaves \$20,000 to allocate towards upgrading the Hoon Hay Park Skateboard Facilities.

The current plan is estimated to cost \$32,800. The Parks Unit has funding available for the 1999/00 financial year for City-wide Youth Recreation. With the support of the Board we will be putting in a bid for \$15,000. If successful this would bring the total funding available to \$35,000.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Board support a bid for \$15,000 from the Parks Unit.
 2. That the concept plan be distributed for consultation.
 3. That any resulting changes to the plan from the consultation process be presented to the Board at a later date.