

Meeting	Community Development Committee
Date	Tuesday 3 rd August 2021
Report Title	Skate Park: Official Launch Event
Agenda Reference	13
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Officer's Recommendations

1. For the official skate park launch to take place on Saturday 11th September 2021.
2. To set up a small one-off skate park opening event working party.
3. To fund decorations and additional activities up to a maximum of £1,500 from unused funds in Marketing & Events 4402/402.

Background

The Community Engagement Working Party on 11th August 2020 agreed that due to COVID social distancing restrictions in place at the time, a 'soft opening' event would take place, and the group discussed that a more publicised event would take place at a time dependant on COVID restrictions lifting. The successful 'soft opening' event took place on Tuesday 1st September 2020.

The opening event was included within the successful tender bid submitted by Canvas and support includes PA system, some marketing elements, demos, and prizes.

A provisional date of Saturday 11th September has been agreed for the event with Canvas. This date is in consideration of school term time, Canvas' availability and delivery objectives. The opening event invitations will be sent to local service providers, partnership organisations, Councillors, schools etc following agreement from the Community Development Committee.

The Community Development Officer will continue to develop the event with a call-out to local temporary catering suppliers and possible development of a youth activity in the evening to maximise the engagement opportunities. A small working party to organise the one-off opening of the skate park could be formed to discuss the event in more detail. A meeting could be held in the middle of August. Any Councillors wishing to participate please confirm to events@haydonwick.gov.uk by Friday 6th August 2021.

Budget agreement

No specific budget was agreed for the opening of the skate park as much of the event infrastructure and activities will be provided by Canvas. There is £1,500.00 allocated for a community summer event which could be used to fund additional activities, decorations etc. It is recommended this budget is used for the skatepark opening (4402/402).