

Appendix C: Project Brief

PROJECT SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

We anticipate that the successful design will incorporate features to satisfy the following user groups:

Skate facilities for a variety of users:

- Skate boarders (including Penny boarders)
- Scooter riders
- BMX riders
- Inline skaters / roller bladers / roller skaters

Age demographic

- The upper age limit for skate park usage is 14yrs (so the design should reflect this)

Working group:

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Possible features to include a selection of the following (to be confirmed during the consultation design development process):

- ramps / curved transitions
- a selection from street and plaza features such as rails, steps, blocks, banks, kerbs etc
- rideable space for gentle cruising, away from other skate lines i.e. not in the path of features. This is to prevent riders crashing into one another and to allow beginners space to practice balancing
- DDA compliant rideable access and pathways from the existing park path to connect with and encircle the skate facility (removing any need to ride over grass to get on / off the skate park)
- design to include maximum possible noise attenuation within the available budget
- design to incorporate include necessary, suitable and sufficient screening and planting

The project may also require appropriate external works:

- drainage
- surface treatment for non-rideable surfaces i.e. pathways, rubber matting / SAFA surface
- soft landscaping to soften edges and provide some visual screening

All activities must be outside of the drip line of any trees.

OUTLINE PROJECT DELIVERABLES AND/OR DESIRED OUTCOMES

General conditions:

- We are looking for a lifespan of at least 20 years for surfaces, rides and external features.
- We are happy for contractors to sub-contract the build where relevant. Any subcontractor proposed should be submitted to the Council for approval prior to commencement.

MATERIALS

Materials chosen by the contractor, and construction methods chosen should be fit for purpose and able to withstand intensive use over a 20 year period.

CONSTRAINTS

- The council's budget is limited to £97,000 inclusive of all fees (including internal fees) and costs, and the contractor's submission must demonstrate that this is achievable.
- £25k out of £97k allocated to Alice Park to be ring-fenced and used for other park improvements (this will not be fully feasible as this money will be required to contribute towards underestimated legal costs, a fence and potentially ground protection through site changes)
- **Planning permission** is not required for this site providing design and construction is limited to a maximum height above ground level of 4m and a maximum cubic capacity of 200m³. However the Trust ask the Council's contractor to work with the working group on the design of the skate park with the following preferences (in order to blend with the area):-
 - The skate park should be located in the lower corner by the play area
 - The skate park should ideally be 200 sq m in size – but not limited to this and based on the design produced by the contractor
 - The skate park should ideally be 1m height - but not limited to this and based on the design produced by the contractor
- No trees should be cut, trimmed or removed for construction.
- The adjacent boules area cannot be impacted upon, removed or relocated.
- The size and design should be proportionate to the size of the park so that it shall in no way dominate the park or detract from the enjoyment of other park users and neighbouring residential occupiers.