



## **Peg Hill Skate Park: Informal Design Brief**

Location: Peg Hill, Yate, South Gloucestershire, BS37 7HG

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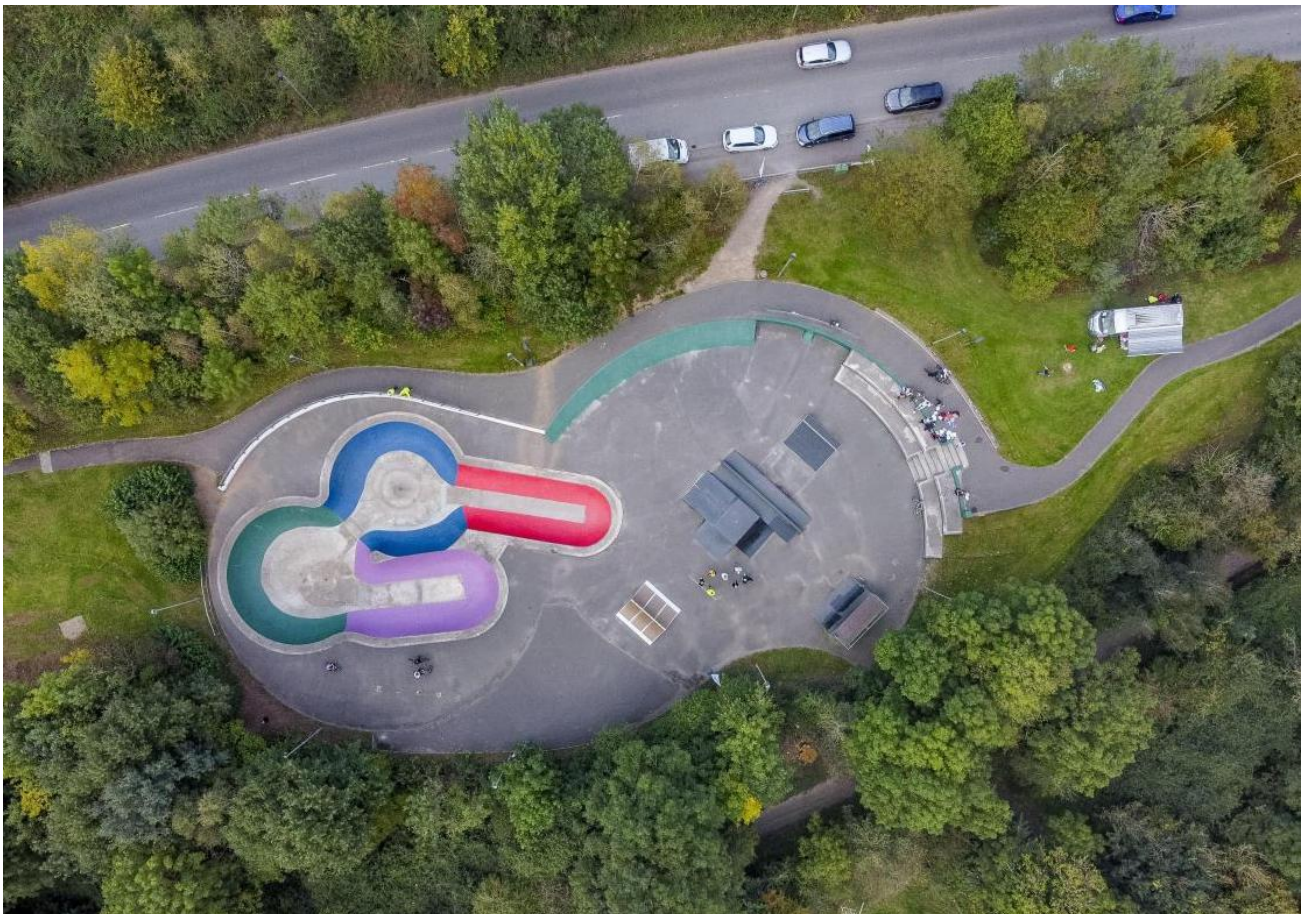
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*(Drone images by Rich McD)*

## **1. Project Background**

Peg Hill opened in 2000, and when it was built, its design was ahead of its time. Modelled on the 1970's North American trends for skating in disused swimming pools and street plazas, Peg Hill was modelled on these features and for many years boasted the only below ground bowl of its kind in the South of England, attracting professional and amateur skaters from all over the UK, Europe and further afield.

Peg Hill has become a much-loved sports facility for generations of residents and visitors to Yate, the surrounding parishes Chipping Sodbury, Iron Action, Dodington, and Wickwar; and is a destination for visitors from South Gloucestershire, Bristol, Bath, Gloucester and further field.

25 years on from opening, designs and techniques for installing skateparks have advanced significantly. The frequency of repairs at Peg Hill and public feedback regarding the condition of the metal equipment and concrete features, have identified the need for a full refurbishment of the facility, to ensure it remains in use by the public for the next 25 years.

A phase 1 public consultation survey was released w/c. 11.11.24, to gather feedback on user demographics and establish whether there was public support for a refurbishment, 115 responses were received, 96.5% of survey participants voted in favour of the refurbishment (appendix 1).

A phase 2 public consultation survey was released on 31.1.25 to gather public feedback on improvements needed to the current design and new design ideas, 166 responses were received as at 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 (appendix 2).

Two public consultation events took place, the first on 19.2.25 at Yate Shopping Centre and then, on 21.2.25 at the Armadillo Youth Café (relocated from Peg Hill due to poor weather). Approximately 63 people engaged (public feedback included within appendix 2)

YTC intends to fund this project in full however, may seek additional investment to enhance features of the project, and/or project management.

## **2. Project Priorities**

Skate parks are facilities that provide multi-generational opportunities, varied ability and discipline engagement – from BMX and skateboarding, to inline and roller skating, scooting, unicycling and wheelchair sports.

Skate park culture is a way of life that passes through generations of users, who bring new generations to these facilities, inspire future participants in the sport, and create safe spaces for vital social connections, resulting in the formation of life-long communities.

The Peg Hill Skate Park refurbishment seeks to achieve the following priorities:

- a. Provide a 25year life cycle (minimum);

- b. Use of sustainable, hardwearing materials with long life cycles that are resistant to climate change (extreme wet/ heat) and anti-social behaviour;
- c. Improved health and safety, areas for weather shade, materials that are low heat conducting
- d. Low impact on the climate and planet, refurbishing/ reusing/ recycling as much as possible; using materials and practices that are sustainable e.g. low carbon footprint, chemical free, supportive of the local economy and local workforce;
- e. Value for public investment, a design with low maintenance and risk of repair;
- f. Expansion of inclusive features e.g. disability, neurodiversity, making space for girls;
- g. A design suitable for varying abilities and disciplines – beginner to advanced level users, for large and small wheels;
- h. Refurbishment works must commence on site in Spring 2026 and conclude by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026.

### **3. Project Relationship with Council Priorities**

Refurbishment of key community assets such as Peg Hill, should see to achieve the following council priorities:

#### **Improve the quality of life for the residents of Yate:**

- a. *Engage in open dialogue with residents to understand their needs and together, work out how we will address these needs within the resources and powers available to the Town Council.*
- b. *Promote the best interest of the town for the betterment of the local and greater community.*

#### **Provide local residents with a cost-efficient service by providing the best value for money:**

- c. *Encourage and promote the best social and environmental practices for the town of Yate by managing services, assets and the resources of the Town Council for the benefit of the local community.*
- d. *Provide high standard and cost-effective services to help meet the needs and wishes of local residents.*

#### **Declaration of Climate and Ecological Crisis and Our Commitment to Action:**

- e. *To reduce, reuse and recycle waste wherever possible, and to ensure life cycle analysis is conducted in all procurement;*
- f. *Ensuring that every Council decision is taken with due consideration of its impact on the planet;*
- g. *Engage in the protection of the environment within the means of the Council*

### **4. Design Specification (in scope)**

Tenderers are asked to submit proposals for a refurbishment design of Peg Hill Skate Park that:

- a. Respond to the priorities outlined in the public survey (Appendix 2, question 7.a, and Item 2 above Project Priorities (in scope items only), for example.

What 3 things would improve Peg Hill?	No. responses
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refurbish the bowl - surfacing improve, resize, improve drainage	42
Replace above ground ramps (concrete ramps)	40
better flow / better space planning/ better layout for various users	26
More ramps / different size ramps for different users	26
More variation of equipment for different abilities	18
Pump track/ bike track	16
Street skate section/ plaza design	11
More seating	9

- b. Takes place within the current footprint of the skatepark, making best use of the space available, and popular features that could be refurbished/ retained (designs should not include any equipment that requires planning permission, or that exceeds planning and/or safety restrictions, such as permitted development. If post contract signing, design revisions are required to meet planning and/or safety requirements, costs incurred will be the responsibility of the supplier, not Yate Town Council (as per the JCT Design & Build contract clause 2.17.1)
- c. Retains a below ground bowl feature, identified in a public survey as a high priority;
- d. Incorporates the most popular design features, identified in the phase 2 public survey (questions 6 and 7, appendix 2). Suppliers may also wish to take inspiration from the example skate parks identified by the public (question 7, appendix 2)
- e. Emphasises creativity and the importance of allowing for varying levels of interaction with the skateable features, to support varying levels of confidence and ability.

The site location and area for works is outline at the end of this document.

## 5. Out of Scope

The following features/ equipment is not included in the tender:

- Bins;
- formal seating such as benches (informal seating and socialising areas could be included in the design);
- additional lighting or changes to the current lighting structures;
- the BMX jumps area to the south of the skate park;
- the grass area to the north of the amp theatre steps;
- parking or road access;
- cycling racks

## 6. Additional Considerations

- a. **Landscaping:** Contractors may wish to consider additional soft landscaping, to maximise the space, and to provide shade from weather conditions. Any planting removed should be replaced. Design proposals must attempt to minimise any impact on biodiversity. The removal of trees to maximise design opportunities will not

be considered.

- b. **Adaptability and Added Value:** YTC welcome design proposals that add value to the Peg Hill project. It is important that suppliers can adapt and include additional ideas as the project develops (for example, during public consultation). Ideas outside the scope outlined above, should be costed, and presented separately.
- c. **Long-Term Maintenance:** The skate park is maintained by Yate Town Council. The contractor's proposals should indicate the maintenance requirements of the new equipment and surfacing, including inspection requirements, guarantees and availability of spare parts.
- d. **Accessibility:** The contractor's proposals should include elements that are accessible to those with disabilities and neurodiversity, supporting text should describe the use, accessibility and value of all elements within the design;
- e. **Site Access:** Vehicle access is via Peg Hill B4060 (west), and Love Lane (east, permission to be requested from the local authority). Contractor's parking / access to be agreed with the Town Council prior to commencement of the contract.
- f. **Insurance Requirements:** Contractors are required to hold current Public Liability, Professional Indemnity, Employers Liability and Contract works insurances with the appropriate levels of cover for this tender opportunity.
- g. **Site Safety:** Contractors are required to provide a method statement to demonstrate proposals for site safety during the installation process, including any provision for temporary fencing and safety of the public whilst machinery is manoeuvring on site.
- h. **Site Accommodation:** Location of site compound and welfare facilities to be agreed with the Town Council. (welfare is not available on site).
- i. **Existing Services:** NRSWA search information will be available upon request. It is the Contractor's own responsibility to establish the presence and precise location of, and ramifications of the presence of all services and statutory undertakings on site when carrying out works in accordance with the Contract.

The Contractor will be responsible for informing those bodies responsible for services etc. where damage is caused and will bear the subsequent cost of making good such damage. " The Contractor will be responsible for informing such bodies where works may involve the encroachment, disconnection or hazard to those services etc. Where appropriate the Contractor will take adequate measures for the protection of all pipes, ducts, sewers, service mains, overhead cables and the like during the execution of the works. " The Contractor must not interfere with the operation of existing services such as Gas, Water, Electricity, Telephones, buried cables or sewers, drains and roadside ditches without the permission of the Project Manager, statutory authority or private owner as appropriate. In all instances of damage/interference, the Project Manager must be notified.

- j. **Site Management:** The contractor should maintain roads and footpaths within and adjacent to the site and keep clear of mud and debris. Any damage caused by site traffic or otherwise during the works to be made good to the satisfaction of the Council.

- k. **Handover:** At completion, the contractor must provide a manual for the maintenance and operation of any equipment, must instruct council staff on same and also, of use of equipment. Documentation required: general product information, inspection and maintenance information, information on spare parts, supply of any tools for operation, maintenance and cleaning purposes.
- l. **Programme:** Prior to commencement of the contract, the contractor to provide a programme for the works, including any subcontractor's works. All subcontracted elements should be clearly stated, and suppliers named.
- m. **Contract:** The successful tender will be required to enter a JCT Design and Build 2024 contract with the client; Yate Town Council.  
A breakdown of the works schedule is required for valuations/ variation, and to identify monthly payment points. YTC may wish to omit an item, or work element from tender at the shortlisting or appointment phases.
- n. **Subcontracting** – subcontractors must be clearly identified and named in the proposal and subcontracted works should be identified in the schedule of works.
- o. **Insurance:** Requirements for Mandatory Employer's Liability Insurance and Public Liability, Professional Indemnity and Contractors All Risk Insurance.

## 7. Contractor's Submission

Tenderers are invited to design a scheme which will incorporate the themes outlined above. Tenderers are required to submit the following information:

1. Drawings, including a site plan and appropriate illustrations – we require a design that is ready for workshopping with the community/ user group;
2. Detail how the supplier will engage with the current and potential users to manage expectations and to turn the concept design into a detailed deliverable design to meet the needs identified in the client specification above, and public consultation surveys (appendix 2);
3. Detailed specification of works;
4. Description of the sporting/ play/ engagement value of proposed elements within the design;
5. Provision for x2 stakeholder workshops, to workshop the design in consultation with the user group/ community.

It is expected that there will be at least one event where the contractor will discuss the project with the public to hear their views on an initial concept idea, then a follow up event will be arranged to explain how public feedback has been incorporated into the final scheme, and also to explain why any ideas could not be incorporated.

Shortlisted suppliers may be invited to present their ideas to the public at a workshop event in December 2025, to support the shortlisting process.

YTC will coordinate community workshop events, which will be hosted at Armadillo Youth Café in Yate.

6. Examples of at least 6 other skatepark projects completed by the supplier;
7. A fully costed schedule of works, with:
  - 7.1. Cash flow chart with payment points
  - 7.2. Retention proposals. By way of security YTC request as a minimum, a phased payment plan with 5% retention throughout the contract period, reducing to 2.5% on practical completion (including receipt of a satisfactory safety inspection),

final retention of 2.5% is released after a minimum 12 month defects period.

YTC may consider a performance bond;

7.3. A breakdown of estimated costs for different design elements.

8. Project timeline if appointed in December 2025, listing individual elements with potential installation timeframe, aiming for work to commence in early spring 2026, planning permission is not required;
9. Allowance for a safety inspection at both design and installation stages (to be paid for by the contractor);
10. Provide risk assessments prior to beginning work on site, to describe how the work will be managed, including safety provisions and protection of the public;
11. Due diligence information, including insurance documents (additional professional negligence insurance if not part public liability insurance) and a minimum of 3 **completed** references, from projects with similar scale/financial value;
12. A supplier schedule, showing where materials will be sourced;
13. Method Statements, including any sub-contractor information and documents;
14. If possible provide low carbon options, including low carbon concrete. The Council would like to consider what if any low carbon options are available;
15. Any warranty and defects correction period and how any identified defects would be dealt with. Brief outline of any maintenance manuals, user instructions and any guarantees/warranties which will be included in the site handover on completion.

Financial checks may be undertaken on selected contractors, post-tender and prior to appointment, depending on contract value.

## 8. Budget

Funding available for this project is capped at £450,000 excluding VAT, this value is inclusive of a 10% contingency budget (£45,000). The design should be tailored to suit this budget. The proposals should be presented to easily identify individually priced elements.

## 9. Assessment

Submitted proposals will be judged against the following criteria in equal weighting:

- a. **Engagement / play value:** Schemes should include an explanation of the engagement value of each item of equipment/ design feature and describe how accessibility has been considered.
- b. **Design.** Schemes will be assessed in respect of their suitability for the site, including proposed materials and the degree to which the existing features of the site are accommodated into the layout; and how the proposed scheme enhances the wider space and local environment.
- c. **Access and Inclusion.** Designs that maximise opportunities for enjoyment and engagement, for a wide range of users, including those with varying abilities, neurodiverse characteristics, and confidence levels.
- d. **Cost/ Budget Management** Whilst the budget is set, the contractor's designed portion will need to exhibit value for money. Ongoing and long-term replacement costs will be considered.
- e. **Sustainability.** Including value return on investment, lifecycle of products/services, choice of materials, quality of materials, methods that minimise adverse effect on the



environment, while maximising opportunities for engagement with the surrounding environment and community.

- f. **Previous Project Experience:** The supplier's ability to deliver projects of similar scale and value, the suppliers refurbishment experience, the suppliers management and communication approach considers the view and idea of the community and client, positive references from previous clients.
- g. **Approach and programme:** timeline for installation that takes place during spring / summer 2026. Consideration is given for minimal disruption to use of the area during peak user times.

## 10. Timeline

Date/ time	Activity	Additional Notes
15 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Tender release	
14 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 12 noon	Tender closing date	
By 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Tender review / supplier shortlisting meeting	
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Community networking event (in person)	To include shortlisted suppliers, suppliers to workshop their proposals with the public, public feedback to inform the final design
By 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Conditional appointment of contractor	Subject to satisfactory due diligence
Week commencing 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026	Contract signing	As above
February 2026	Final design public consultation	Potentially during wc. 16.2.26 half term

## 11. Location of Site/ site information

- a. Area for works, within red line:





## 12. Supporting Documentation

The following documentation has been provided to support supplier concepts:

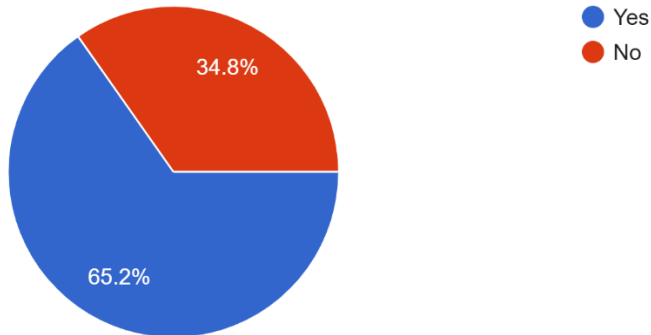
- a. Phase 1 public survey (appendix 1)
- b. Phase 2 public survey and public consultation event feedback (combined): NB\* this survey is still live and access to the full survey results will be provided to the appointed contractor (appendix 2)
- c. Peg Hill Business case (appendix 3)
- d. Google drive shared folder:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kXKQcY8etlHpfg\\_UGOgH2DRPFOE70Bt7/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kXKQcY8etlHpfg_UGOgH2DRPFOE70Bt7/view?usp=drive_link):
  - i. Images of location at 12.9.25
  - ii. Peg Hill bowl drainage issues video at 12.9.25
  - iii. Peg Hill site walk through video at 12.9.25
  - iv. Earthworks, drainage, site clearance plan 2000
  - v. Peg Hill site survey 2014
  - vi. Peg hill street lighting survey 2015

## Appendix to Peg Hill Skate Park Design Brief for Tender

### Appendix 1: Peg Hill Phase 1 Google Survey Data

115 responses at 20.2.25 – survey closed on 21.2.25

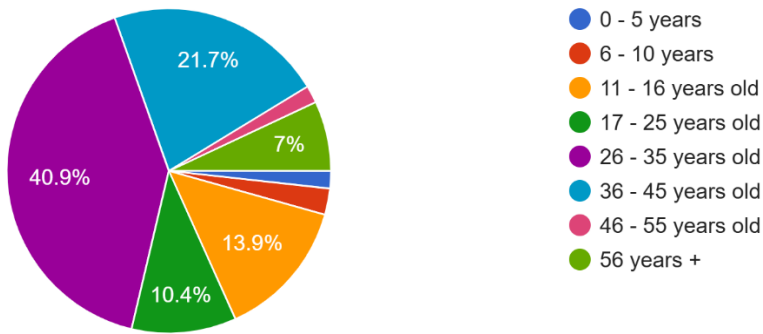
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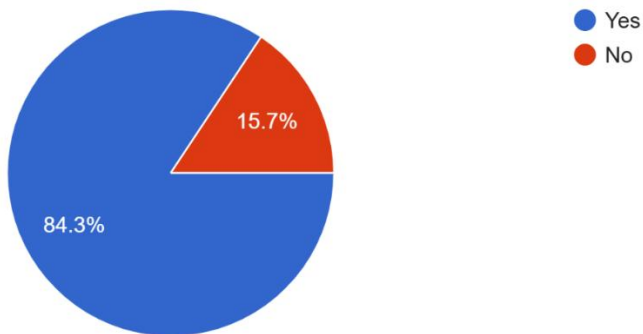
2. If you do not live in Yate, where do you live?

If you do not live in Yate, where do you live?	no. responses from area
Bristol	14
Wales	4
Chipping Sodbury	3
Dodington	2
Kingswood	2
Chippenham	2
Bath	1
Melksham	1
Coalpit Heath	1
Fishponds	1
Stowmarket	1
Peterborough	1
Coventry	1
Wigan	1
Bournemouth	1
London	1
Oldland common	1
Wiltshire	1
Clayhill	1

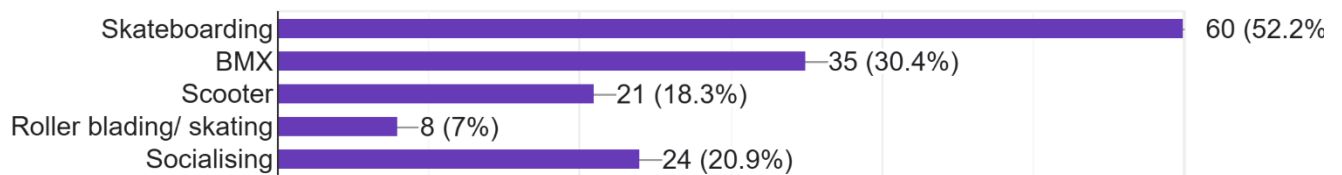
3. What is your age category?



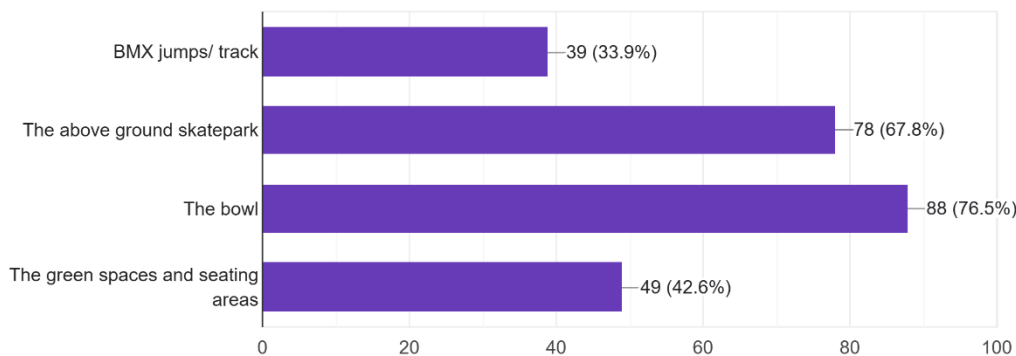
#### 4. Do you use Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park?



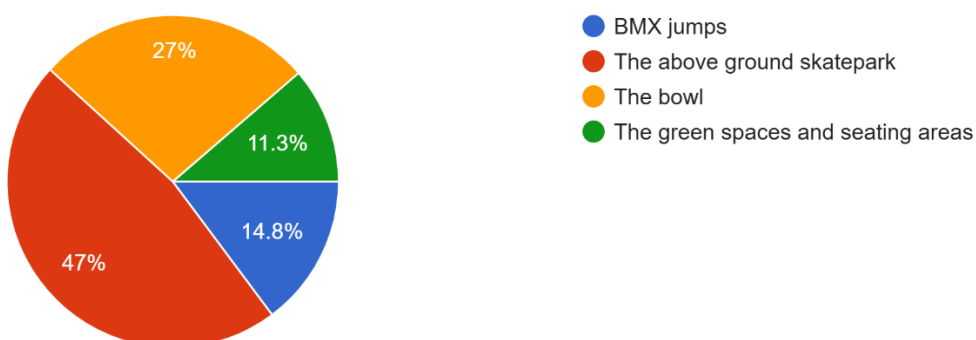
#### 5. What do you use Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park for?



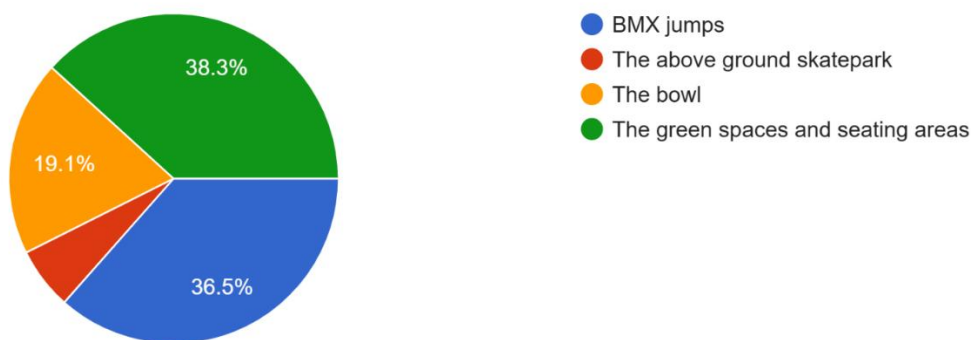
#### 6. What areas of Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park are most important to you?



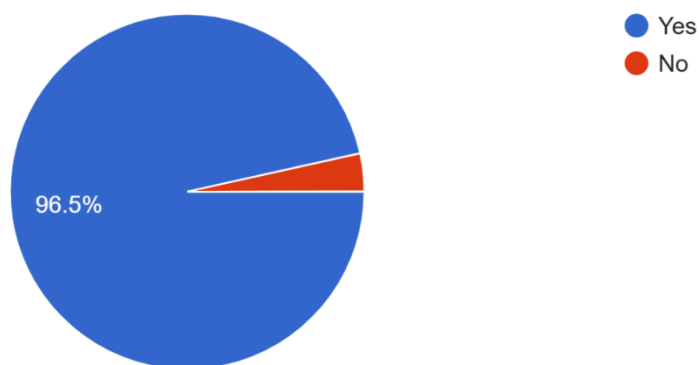
#### 7. If Peg Hill was refurbished, what features of the park should be the highest priority?



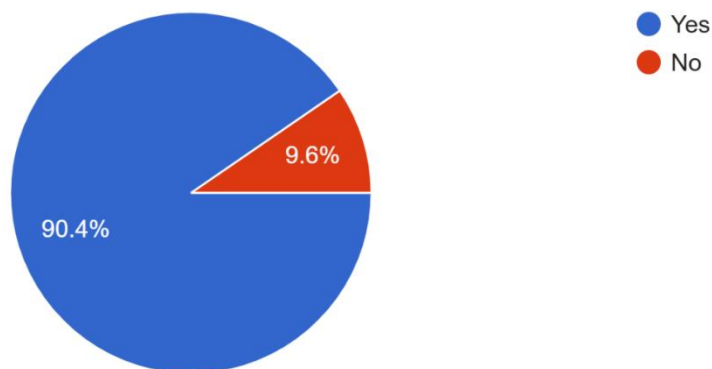
8. If Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park was refurbished, what features of the park should be the lowest priority?



9. Are you in favour of Yate Town Council proceeding with the Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park refurbishment project?



10. Are you in favour of Yate Town Council proceeding with the Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park refurbishment project if it includes a council tax precept increase of 1.8% which is equivalent of an additional £3.83 a year for the purpose of the annual loan requirements?



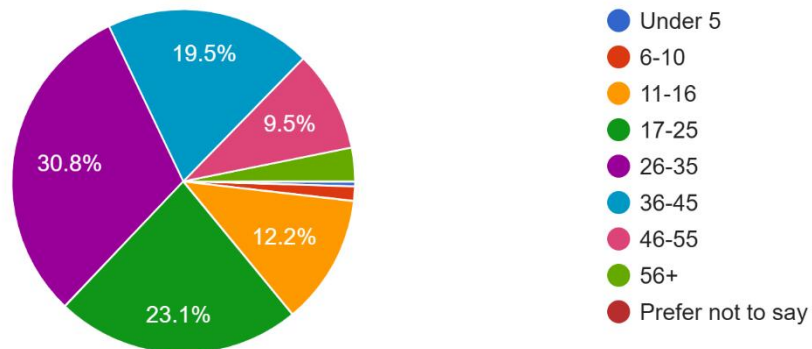
## Appendix 2: Peg Hill Phase 2 Google Survey and In Person Event Data

221 responses to Google Survey at 12.9.25 – 63 engagements in person at x2 public events

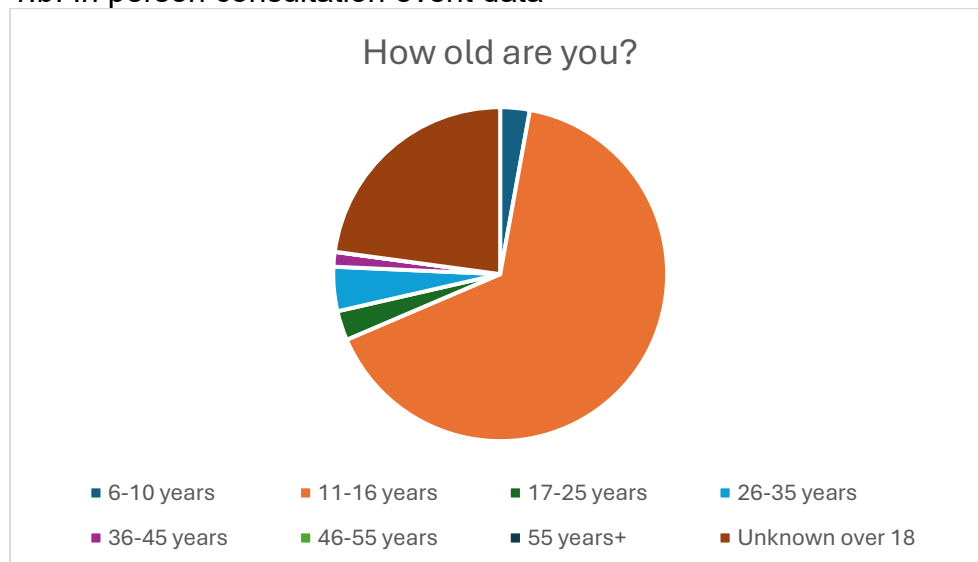
### 1.a Google survey data

How old are you?

221 responses



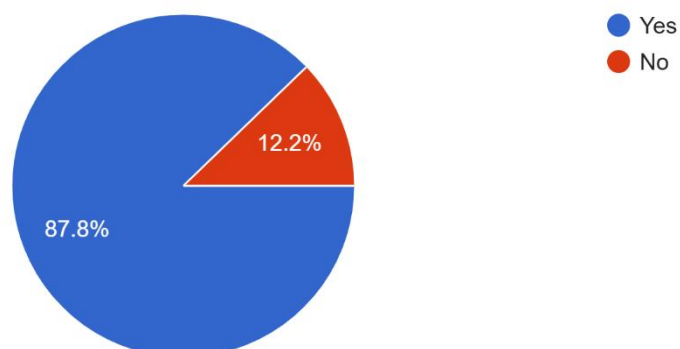
### 1.b. In person consultation event data



### 2.a. Google survey data

Do you use Peg Hill Skate and BMX Park?

221 responses



### 2.b. In person consultation event data

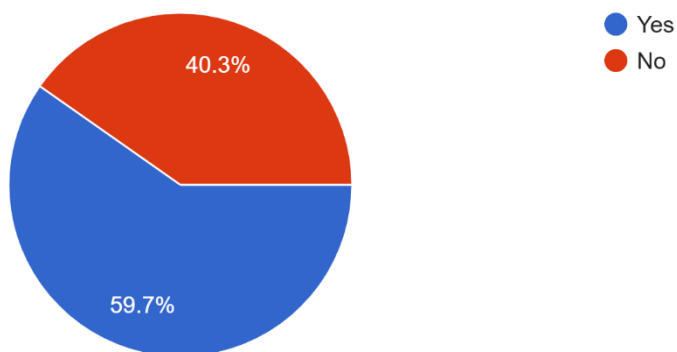
### Do you use Peghill Skate Park?



### 3.a. Google survey data

#### Do you live in Yate?

221 responses



### 3.b. In person consultation event data

If you do not live in Yate where do you live?	No. of responses from area
Frampton Cotterell	1
Yate (BS37)	53
Winterbourne	1
Frenchay	1
Wickwar	1
Chipping Sodbury	4
Rangeworthy	1
Unknown	8

### 3.c. Google survey data

If you do not live in Yate where do you live?	No. of responses from area
BS37 (South Glos)	14
South Bristol	13
Gloucester	9
North Bristol	3
South Wales	4
Wiltshire/ Swindon	7
London	5
Bs34 (South Glos)	3

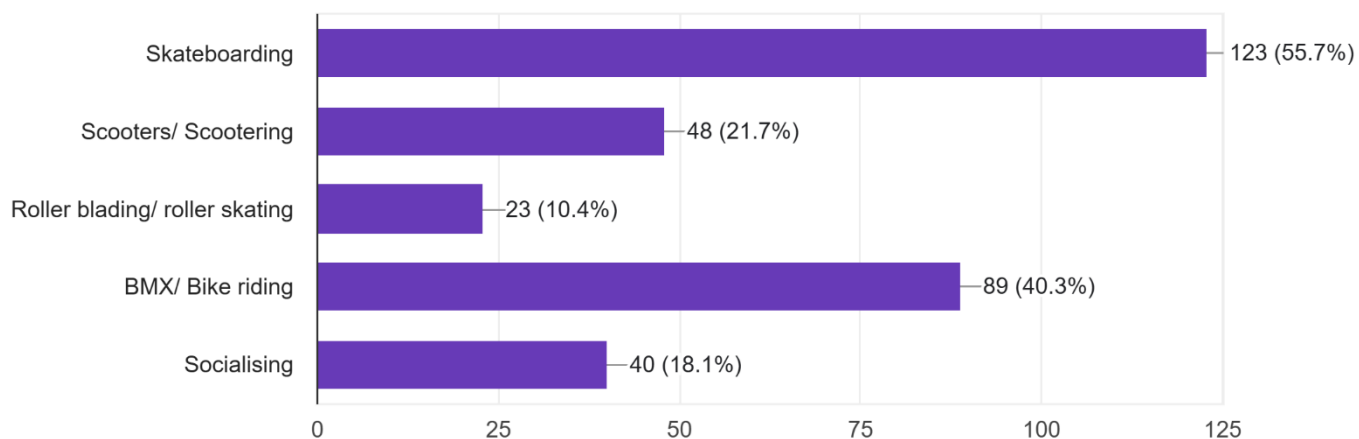


Bs16 (South Glos)	2
Central Bristol (BS1, BS2, BS3, BS4)	4
BS36 (South Glos)	1
Bs35 (South Glos)	1
Bs32 (South Glos)	2
Bath and North East Somerset	2
Dorset	1
Hampshire	1
Surrey	1
Cambridgeshire	5
Bitton, Longwell Green, Cadbury Heath, Oldland Common, Warmley, and Wick (BS30)	8
Coalpit Heath	1
Somerset	1

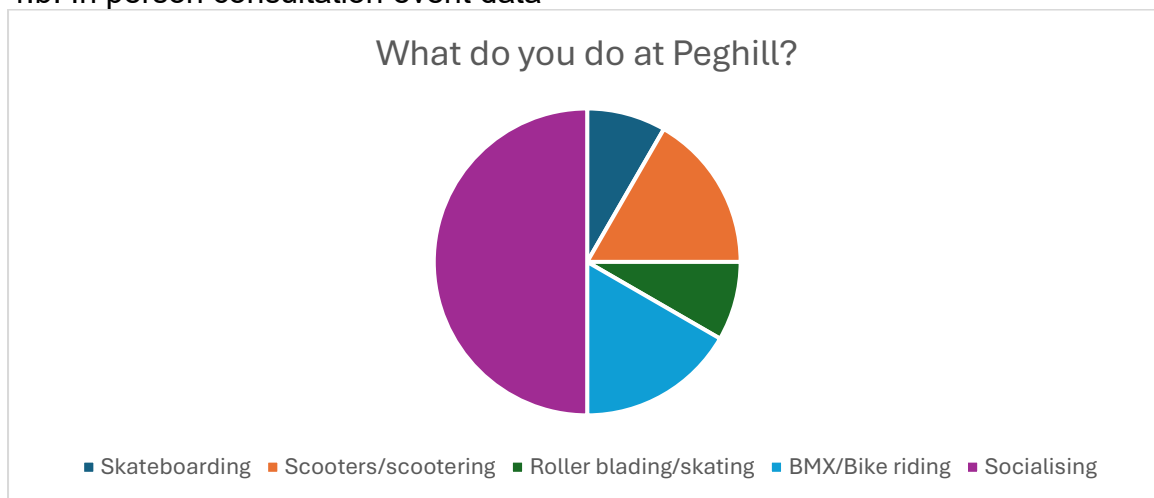
#### 4.a. Google survey data

What do you do at Peg Hill? Please tick all that apply

221 responses



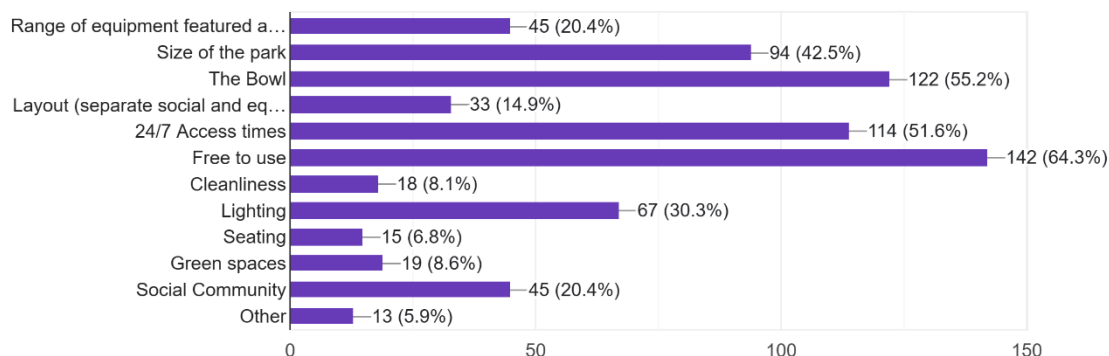
#### 4.b. In person consultation event data



## 5.a. Google survey data

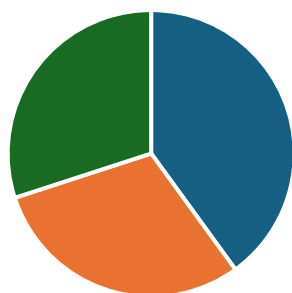
What 3 things do you like MOST about Peg Hill?

221 responses



## 5.b. In person consultation event data

What do you like most about Peg Hill?

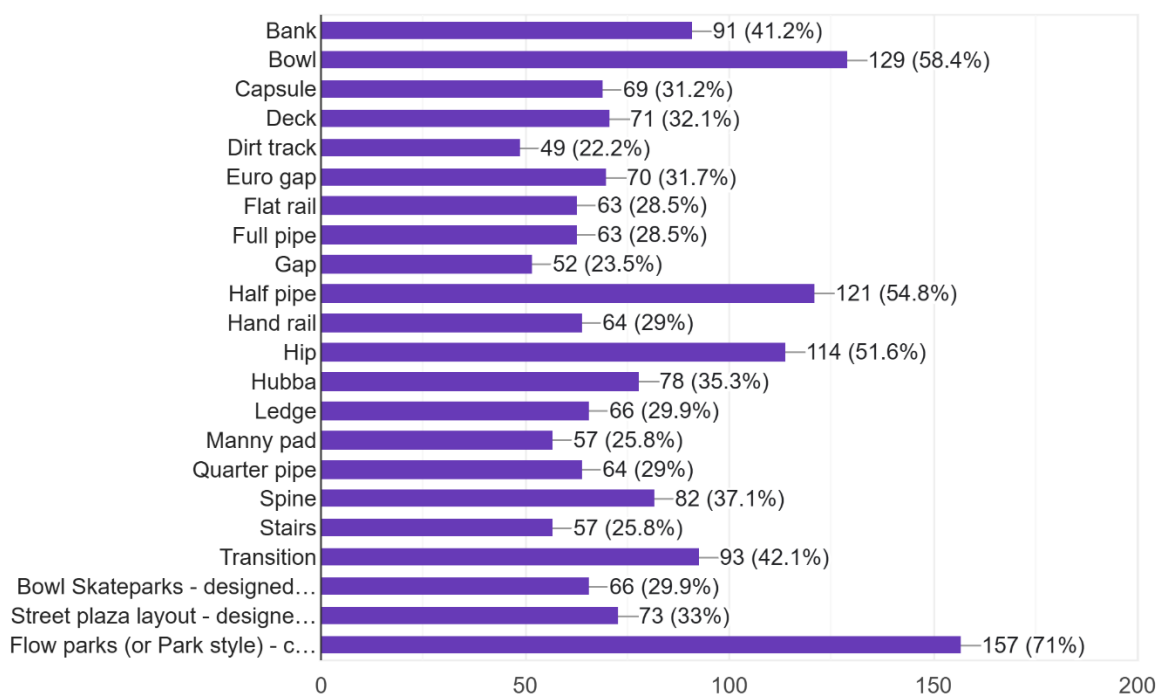


Range of equipment Green spaces Social community

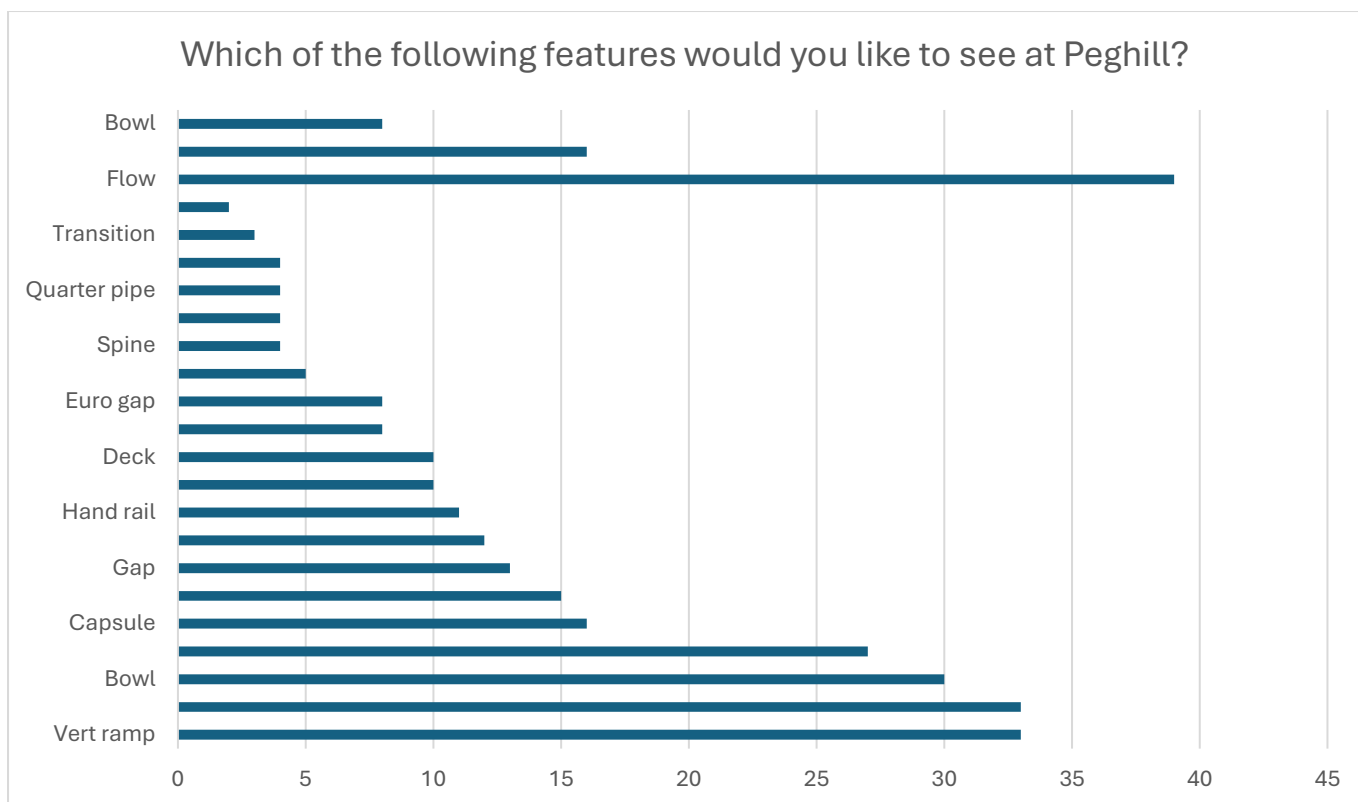
## 6.a. Google survey data

Which of the following features would you like to see at Peghill?

221 responses



## 6.b. In person event responses



#### 7.a. Google survey data & In person event responses combined

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Pump track/ bike track	16
Street skate section/ plaza design	11
More seating	9
New equipment (no specific features suggested)	7
landscaping/ maintenance/ cleanliness improvements	7
Increase size/ footprint	5
Sheltered social areas	5
Refurbish the dirt jumps	5
Extra rails	4
Steel items and rims are dangerous / slippery/ sharp/ in need of repair	4
More for Small wheels e.g. scooters, blades, skateboards	4
more space around bowl	2
Repainting/ street arts	2
more bins	2
Flow style design	2
More accessible entrances	2
redevelop the seating, social areas for spectating and chilling	2
Tuck shop	2
water fountains	2

remove the bowl	1
More for younger children	1
replace/ refurb spine (uneven)	1
Emergency phone	1
Equipment shop	1
Training sessions	1
Remove steps	1
CCTV	1
No helmet no ride policy	1
Bottom steps - utilised for skating	1
Cycle racks	1
place for belongings away from skate areas	1

7. Google survey data (data not collected at in person event)

<b>Can you suggest good examples of skateparks that could inspire this project?</b>	<b>No recommendations</b>
Bradley Stoke skatepark	20
Concrete Waves Cornwall	17
Midsomer Norton	14
Victoria skatepark	12
Portishead	9
Cirencester	9
Wotton skate park	7
Hereford skatepark	5
Campus park Winterbourne	5
Warmley Forest	5
Hengrove skatepark	4
Calne	3
St Ives	3
Cadbury Health	3
Oxford wheels project	3
Stockwood pump track	2
Emersons green	2
Les Quennevais Skatepark in Jersey	2
Stoke plaza	2
Mumbles skatepark Swansea	2
Bradford-upon-Avon	2
Nailsea	2
Rush skatepark in Stroud	2
Horfield	2
Alice Park, Bath	2
Keynsham	2
Hawksbury Upton	2
Temple cloud pump track	1

Bike Park Wales	1
Hackney bumps	1
Prince park San Diego	1
Redruth	1
White rock - Hastings	1
The Gooden (seafront) - Eastbourne.	1
Fælledparken (Copenhagen)	1
Stapelbäddsparken (Malmo)	1
Clissold bowl in Hackney	1
Hastings skatepark	1
Haverford west	1
Cheddar	1
Churchdown	1
Truro	1
Staple Hill	1
Safron Walden	1
Oxhey Activity Park	1
Denver, Colorado	1
Haverford West	1
Hutton skatepark	1
Churchdown	1
Venice beach California	1
Amesbury	1
That one on the beach in Miami	1
Kingsgate mudjumps	1
Devizes	1
RampWorld	1
Spotter diy Barcelona	1
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## Appendix 3: Peg Hill Skateboard & BMX Park Refurbishment Business Rationale

(NB: appendix 1 available on request appendix 2 and 3, are appendix 1 and 2 respectively, above)

### 1. Problem And/ Or Opportunity Identified

At the Environment and Community Advisory Committee Advisory Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 7.1 Estates Manager's Report NOTED the following:

*Further investigations to take place by the Estate Manager in respect of works at Peghill Skate Park (initial enquiries indicate patch repairs are not possible and a full scale major project refurb is necessary; this is to be considered within the priority schedule). In the meantime at the upcoming event at Peghill Skate Park, interested users to be sought to input into any upcoming improvements or projects at the site.*

At Full Council on 22.02.2022, it was **RESOLVED** that the following recommendations from Play Areas and Properties Steering Group be approved (minute 102/1 Play Areas Properties Project Steering Group):

- *Finance and Governance Committee (F&G) to review the town council budget and identify opportunities for funding of the play area refurbishment schedule for 2022-2024 (Peg Hill, Kingsgate Park and Eggshill Play Area) as an urgent priority;*
- *Play Area refurbishment should be a priority for YTC investment, investments in new projects should be considered after the play areas have been budgeted;*

**(For the full minute trail relating to Peg Hill refurbishment consideration, see appendix 1)**

### 2. Project Context

Peg Hill opened in 2000, and when it was built, its design was ahead of its time. Modelled on the 1970's trends for USA skating in disused swimming pools and street plazas, Peg Hill was modelled on these features and for many years boasted the only below ground bowl of its kind in the South of England, attracting professional and amateur skaters from all over the UK, Europe and further afield.

25 years on from opening, the frequency of repairs at Peg Hill and public feedback regarding the condition of the existing metal equipment and concrete features, have identified an opportunity for a full refurbishment of the facility, to ensure it remains in use by the public for the next 25 years.

### 3. Identification of Need with Supporting Evidence

Peg Hill is a much-loved sports facility for generations of residents and visitors to Yate, the surrounding parishes Chipping Sodbury, Iron Action, Dodington, and Wickwar; and is a destination for many residents across South Gloucestershire, Bristol, Bath and Gloucester.

Skateparks are facilities that provide for multi-generational opportunities and varied ability and discipline engagement; skatepark culture is a way of life that passes down through generations of users, who bring new generations to these facilities, inspiring future facility users and participants in the sport.

Modern day designs and techniques for installing skateparks have advanced significantly since 2000. The benefits of a full refurbishment include:



1. Sustainable, hardwearing concrete materials with long life cycles - instead of metal ramps (current features) which have a much shorter life cycle, and can be damaged easily by increasing wet and hot weather, and by anti-social behaviour;
2. Greater value for money for public investment than making short term investments in replacement equipment and continuous patch repairs;
3. Mitigates the risk of closure, ensuring the facility remains open to the public - to undertake incremental repairs/ replacements to the existing equipment, or more long-term closure if the park or areas within are deemed unsafe for use;
4. Opportunity to expand inclusive features e.g. disability, neurodiversity, participation of females in a predominantly male sport;
5. Opportunity to enhance the design to make it more useable for varying abilities and disciplines – Peg Hill equipment is best suited to advanced level users, and is not best suited to small wheels such as skateboarding, blading and scooters.

#### **4. Public Consultation**

A phase 1 public consultation survey was released w/c. 11.11.24, link to survey: <https://forms.gle/JLzcHgBBa3Kh6Ud78>, to gather feedback on user demographics and establish whether there was public support for a refurbishment, 115 responses were received (appendix 2).

A phase 2 public consultation survey was released on 31.1.25 to gather public feedback on improvements needed to the current design and new design ideas, 166 responses were received as at 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 (appendix 3).

Two public consultation events took place, the first on 19.2.25 at Yate Shopping Centre and then, on 21.2.25 at the Armadillo Youth Café (relocated from Peg Hill due to poor weather). Approximately 63 people engaged (public feedback included within appendix 3 above).

The public survey was promoted to several groups and stakeholders in skateparks in South Gloucestershire, Bristol and BANES, to ensure the survey marketing reached key users groups.

The surveys were promoted by YTC as follows:

- On Yate Town Council social media platforms including Instagram and Facebook, with a combined following of more than 3,500 people;
- Posters at YTC venues including Armadillo Youth Café, The Pop Inn Café, Yate Heritage Centre, Poole Court and in approx. 10 YTC noticeboards across the community;
- On various community notice boards in local cafes, health centres, youth centres, libraries, leisure centres and supermarkets.

The results of the public survey found that 96.5% of survey participants were in favour of the Peg Hill refurbishment project.

#### **5. Relationship with Council Priorities**

A refurbishment of a key community asset such as Peg Hill, achieves the following council priorities:

**Improve the quality of life for the residents of Yate:**

- a. *Engage in open dialogue with residents to understand their needs and together, work out how we will address these needs within the resources and powers available to the Town Council.*
- b. *Promote the best interest of the town for the betterment of the local and greater community.*

**To provide local residents with a cost-efficient service by providing the best value for money:**

- c. *encourage and promote the best social and environmental practices for the town of Yate by managing services, assets and the resources of the Town Council for the benefit of the local community.*
- d. *Provide high standard and cost-effective services to help meet the needs and wishes of local residents.*

**Declaration of Climate and Ecological Crisis and Our Commitment to Action:**

- e. *to reduce, reuse and recycle waste wherever possible, and to ensure life cycle analysis is conducted in all procurement;*
- f. *ensuring that every Council decision is taken with due consideration of its impact on the planet;*
- g. *Engage in the protection of the environment within the means of the Council*

**6. Project Stakeholders**

**1. Who?**

Peg Hill stakeholders include:

- a. Residents (Yate and locality) and skatepark users;
- b. Yate Town Council (site owners);
- c. South Gloucestershire Council (surrounding land owners);
- d. Neighbouring businesses e.g. Heidelberg;
- e. Local businesses with a vested interest in skate park associated sports or the user groups;
- f. Suppliers of material and labour.

**2. How? Stakeholders will benefit project in the following ways:**

Residents (Yate and locality) and users:

- a. Citizens of varying ages, economic backgrounds, genders, abilities, races and cultures work in unison toward a common goal, to improve and retain a key community asset;
- b. Provides a voice for the community and supported communication between the community and the Town Council;
- c. Promote storytelling and positive messaging around project;
- d. Can provide additional volunteer resources to the project;
- e. Custodians of park can support new users and police the space to reduce ASB and other forms of harm to users and the property;
- f. Support fund raising activities;
- g. Offers a community level source of information and reassurance

Yate Town Council (site owners):

- h. Improving highly valued community facility, to ensure long term sustainability (continued use) of a community asset;

- i. inspire people to work in partnership with YTC, to improve community facilities;
- j. Improve visibility and credibility of YTC with public.

South Gloucestershire Council (Local Authority):

- k. Support fundraising;
- l. Professional support, advice, guidance on project development and execution.

Local and nearby businesses:

- m. May offer project fundraising support inc. sponsorship;
- n. Promote project with patrons to increase visibility.

Community groups/ organisations e.g. Schools, children/ young people/ family service providers, SEND groups, Youth Offending, Police:

- o. Encourage public support for project and project fundraising;
- p. a trusted voice when communicating project information to the public;
- q. offer local knowledge and connections;
- r. May offer project fundraising support inc. sponsorship
- s. Can provide additional volunteer resources to the project.

### **3. Why? The project will benefit stakeholders:**

Residents (Yate and locality) / skate park users:

- a. Improve physical health/ development/ fitness;
- b. Improved emotional development and wellbeing - self-confidence, independence, self-esteem, risk taking and challenge, problem solving;
- c. Improved awareness of natural/ outdoor environment, and understanding of natural materials;
- d. Improved socialisation and social opportunities – open access communal facility attracting different people to socialise in the same space, improved communication and peer-to-peer relationships;
- e. Improve economic opportunities – free to use open access community facility;
- f. Offers an improved facility for stakeholders to take community ownership of.

Yate Town Council (site owners):

- g. Meets town council objectives e.g. providing opportunities to improved quality of life for residents of Yate.
- h. can serve as a team-building opportunity for employees, members and stakeholders.

South Gloucestershire Council (Local Authority):

- i. New community asset provided for residents;
- j. Supports community health and wellbeing objectives.

Local businesses:

- k. Local employment opportunities/ job creation;
- l. Local economic development.

Community groups/organisations:

- m. Improved facilities for use by community groups;
- n. Provide direct communication to YTC, improving relationships and attitudes;
- o. Involvement shows YTC value community group organisers and users, which can lead to future project collaboration for the benefit of the community.

Suppliers:

- p. Employment opportunities/ job creation
- q. Economic development.

## 7. Project SWOT

Strengths/aims/objectives:

- Offers a sustainable facility for community enjoyment;
- Stakeholder engagement will engender a sense of community ownership, pride and stewardship of the project;
- New equipment can cater to varying ages/ abilities/ interests;
- Improves opportunities for community:
  - physical development – improved health/ development/ fitness;
  - emotional development and wellbeing - self-confidence, independence, self-esteem, risk taking and challenge, problem solving;
  - Education/ knowledge - awareness of natural/ outdoor environment, understanding benefits of outdoor sport, understanding importance of refurbishment and repair - minimising waste and use of new materials in construction;
  - socialisation/ social opportunities – open access communal facility attracting different people to socialise together, improved communication and peer-to-peer relationships;
  - economic stability – provision of free to use open access community facility.

Challenges

1. Public Work Loan Board application process and process timeline;
2. Applications for external funding;
3. Supply chain delays;
4. Supply chain cost increases.

Opportunities:

5. strengthen existing relationships with community, stakeholders and suppliers
6. build new relationships with community, stakeholders and suppliers;
7. Increase accessible equipment provision e.g. disability accessible
8. New equipment can address inequalities in sport facilities e.g. representations of females;
9. Project sponsorship from new housing developments in Yate, including social housing providers;
10. Project sponsorship from local businesses.

Threats:

11. Public perception of what a “refurb” will include;
12. Lack of professional support;
13. Unsuccessful applications for external funding.

## 8. Estimated Projects costs

Description	Minimum anticipated expenditure £
Refurbishment of the above ground skatepark	£200,000 inc. contingency of £20,000
Refurbishment of the bowl	£250,000 inc. contingency of £25,000
Works for Safety and regulatory compliance (Landscape architect appointment, survey and assessments)	Included in above

DDA / accessible/ inclusive equipment installation;	Included in above
rectification works (restore green spaces, including new planting, restoration of fencing, new gate for maintenance access)	Included in above
Indicative YTC Project Management fee of 2.25% of project cost (£10,125)	Internal YTC project cost
contingency approx. 10%	Included in above
<b>TOTAL EXP</b>	<b>£450,000</b>

## 9. Evaluation Methods/ mechanisms

Method	Aim	Mechanism for measure of success
Qualitative	Stakeholder satisfaction	User feedback e.g. site visits, social media, post competition questionnaire
	Retain and grow visitor numbers	Site visit observations, Google search hits, increased “check in’s” on Google and social media platforms such as Facebook, requests for new community groups to host activities
	Increased public awareness	Press and media coverage
Quantitative	Cost affective	Budget achieved
	Complete in good time	Timeline/ schedule achieved
	Successful inspection / certification	Approval of compliancy