

BLACKWOOD SKATEPARK PROPOSAL - FAQ

Where is the funding for the skatepark coming from?	The WHQS (Welsh Housing Quality Standard) Environmental Programme is funding the skatepark.
Where on the showfield will the skatepark be located	It will be at the car park end of the showfield, within the yellow area on the picture below – we will liaise with groups who use this area before deciding on an exact location.
How big will it be and what will it look like?	The size (footprint) will be determined by the design. If the project goes ahead a further consultation on the design will be carried out. – examples pictured below
Will the skate park be fenced off?	The skatepark is an open access play facility, there are no plans to fence it off.
Will extra lighting be installed?	No extra lighting will be installed
What if there is more rubbish/litter?	Extra bins will be installed around the skatepark
What if there is more noise?	The Showfield is an area designated for play and recreation, there is no legal requirement to carry out a noise risk assessment and no way of mitigating any noise created by children playing on the skatepark.
What about the clubs who already use this area of the Showfield?	The proposed location for the skatepark will be at the car park end of the Showfield, should the skatepark go ahead we will liaise with existing users to determine the best position with as little disruption as possible to their current activities.
What about excessive or illegal parking?	The Showfield is available and accessed by a wide range of users, dog walkers, sporting clubs, occasional large events and users of the existing play facilities, there is no evidence to indicate that users of the skatepark will specifically increase the use of the car park.
When will the decision be made?	The survey will be active for approximately 2 weeks after which the information will be collated, and a decision made by the WHQS Project Board based on feedback from the community
What if the skatepark attracts Anti-social behaviour?	Residents will need to report any incidences of antisocial behaviour to the Police on the non-emergency no 101.
Are there any plans to install CCTV at the Showfield	There are no plans to install CCTV at this location should the skatepark go ahead.
Who will be responsible for the maintenance of the skatepark	Our Parks Department will take over maintenance of the facility once it is installed.

