

Media Release

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The Lincoln Domain Skate Park is now open to the public

Selwyn District Council Property and Commercial manager Douglas Marshall says the redesign of the skate park, led by designer Dave North, achieves the initial goal of being a quality facility where younger skaters and scooter riders can rapidly progress, learn and have fun.

"The Council is grateful for the support of the community while the changes were being made," Mr Marshall says. "We understand that locals have had to be really patient while we get the skate park right, however we're confident locals will really enjoy this new facility."

The changes to the skate park's design were also influenced by discussions with local skaters and other skate park designers.

"We've actively listened to the community's ideas and have incorporated some of these into the new design," Mr Marshall says.

An official opening of the skate park will be held on Sunday 19 August, from 11am to 1pm. The event, hosted by skating retailer Cheapskates, will include music, food, spot prizes skateboarding demonstrations and lessons on skate park etiquette. The Lincoln Community Committee will also be assisting with the event on the day.

While the skate park is ready to use, contractors will be on site next week to do some minor work.

Council Community Projects and Facilities manager Cam Warr says this includes the final shaping and completion of the retaining wall, and fencing will also be installed above one of the bowls. "Our contractors will continue to be on site to do some detail work, but the areas being worked on will be coned off and the skate park will be safe for everyone to use," he says.

Mr Warr says the Council wants to stay in touch with local skaters and is open to receiving feedback about the new skate park. Any comments can addressed to Cam Warr: reserves@selwyn.govt.nz.

The Lincoln Reserve Playground is now open after it was relocated to the southern side of the path while the skate park was being redesigned.