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The re-designed Lincoln Domain Skate Park will have flow- and suit younger skaters and scooter riders, according to experienced skate park designer Dave North.

The Selwyn District Council chose Mr North to review the incomplete skate park and make it more suitable for beginner to intermediate skaters and scooter riders. The park was expected to be completed earlier this year, however Council staff decided to tweak the skate park design as it was deemed to be unsuitable for younger people.

"The changes that we've made to the skate park design will ensure flow. A small learners bowl will lead on to an intermediate bowl which will have lots of different carve lines as well as air and transfer lines," Mr North says. "The street features will include both large and small hubba, ledges and rails. Everything will be set up to allow skaters and scooter riders to rapidly progress and learn."

The main design changes include:

- Forming the existing bowl into a mini bowl which is more suitable for younger/learner skater and scooter riders
- Swapping the stairs for a large hubba ramp and rail
- Constructing a new 1200cm deep bowl, a ditch-style banked area and smaller flat ledges and rail
- The existing quarter pipe will remain.

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

Council Property and Commercial manager, Douglas Marshall, says he is pleased with the new design. "We have made the skate park a bit bigger and with Dave's help, we've ensured the park achieves its initial goal of being a quality facility where young skaters and scooter riders can learn and have fun," Mr Marshall says.

"We understand that locals have had to be really patient while we get the skate park right, however we're confident that the new design hits the mark.

"The Council took the opportunity to extend the entire Lincoln Domain playground area, not just the skate park, to make more room for everyone who uses the facility."

The new skate park is expected to be completed by the end of June, depending on weather.

The Lincoln Reserve Playground is now closed and will be relocated to the other side of the pedestrian path to provide more room to extend the skate park. The playground is expected to be reopened in June.

-The ability to use the whole skate park easily, going from one feature to the next without stopping.

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