

Environment & Facilities Committee

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Agenda Item 8B – Concrete Waves Project Update

Maverick Industries Ltd have been formally appointed as contractor to undertake the extension to the Concrete Waves Skatepark. The purpose of the extension is to provide, what is being deemed the 'nursery' slope. Essentially an area where less skilled and technical riders can use to develop their own skills to then progress into the more challenging areas.

The working budget is £200,000 to deliver the extended area. This is a culmination of Town Council, CIL and Boardmasters funding. Kennal Consultants are working with the Town Council to handle the procurement and contractual arrangements between the Council and Maverick. A JCT Minor Works contract is almost finalised and will soon be issued for signature.

Maverick have already undertaken renewed surveys to get an updated view on the park and topography ahead of the design process.

Separately the developer of the Bedowan Meadows development approached the Town Council with the view to work in partnership on the installation of an acoustic fence along the perimeter of the extension to mitigate the noise of the park for the residents of the new development. Whilst the commitment is on the developer to install this fencing, there is mutual benefit as it is likely that if it is not accommodated it may become a stipulation and obligation on the Town Council's own Planning Application for the extension.

As a general update on the main park Maverick have undertaken some recent remedial works. Graffiti and ASB continues to be prevalent and has resulted in the start of a new 'den' being built, damage to the newly installed benches and toilets. This has been outlined in a separate email to the Working Party.

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