



Dare to Dream



Sixpenny Handley

Skatepark Project

UPDATE



Agenda

- Introduction and Purpose
- Questionnaire Response
- Why we want the Skatepark updating
- Benefits to the Community
- What it might look like
- How we are looking to fund the rebuild
- Q&A



Introduction and Purpose of the meeting



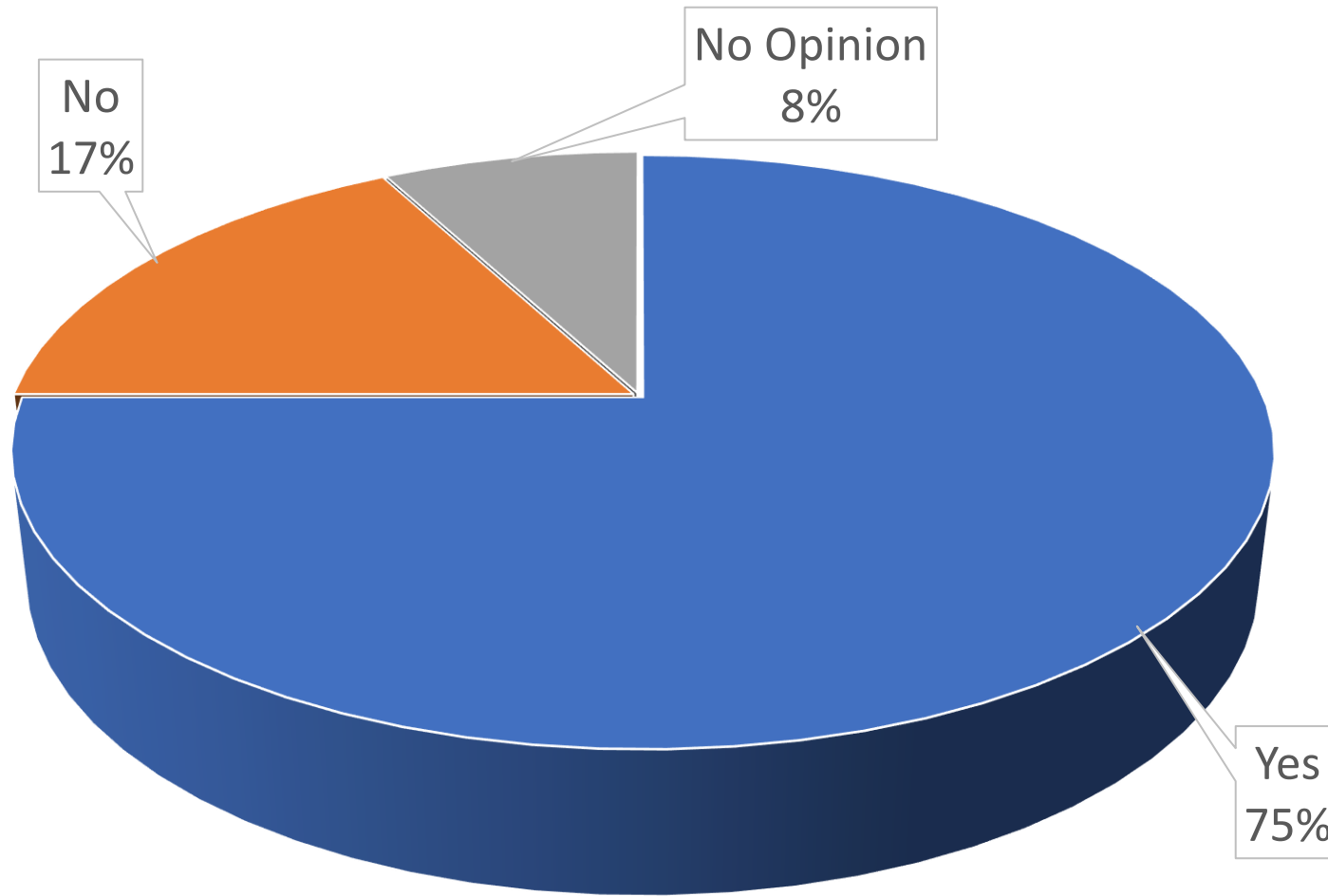
- Show what the results of the Questionnaire were
- Explain why the Skatepark should be updated
- What it could be
- How we plan to address the needs

Questionnaire Response



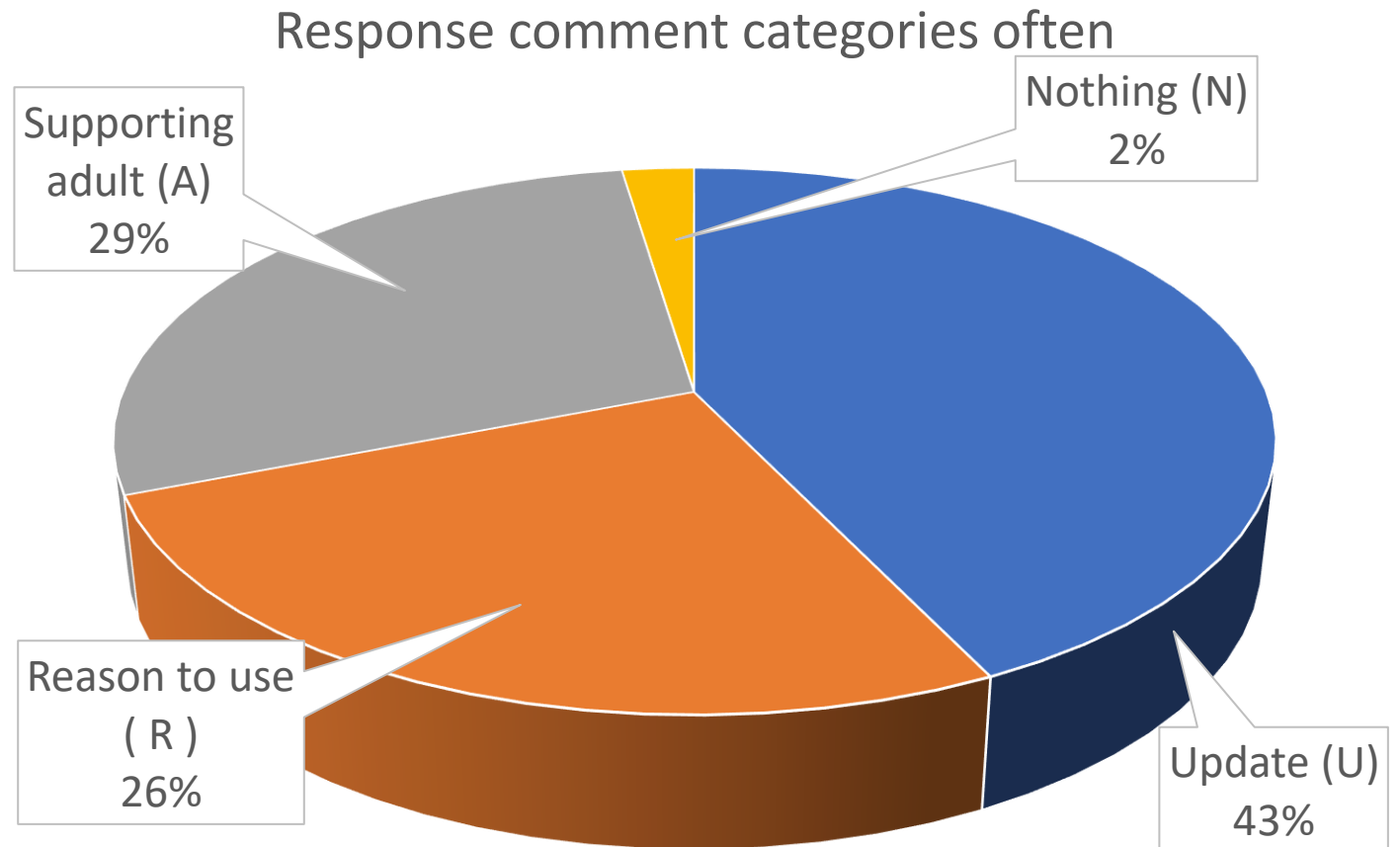
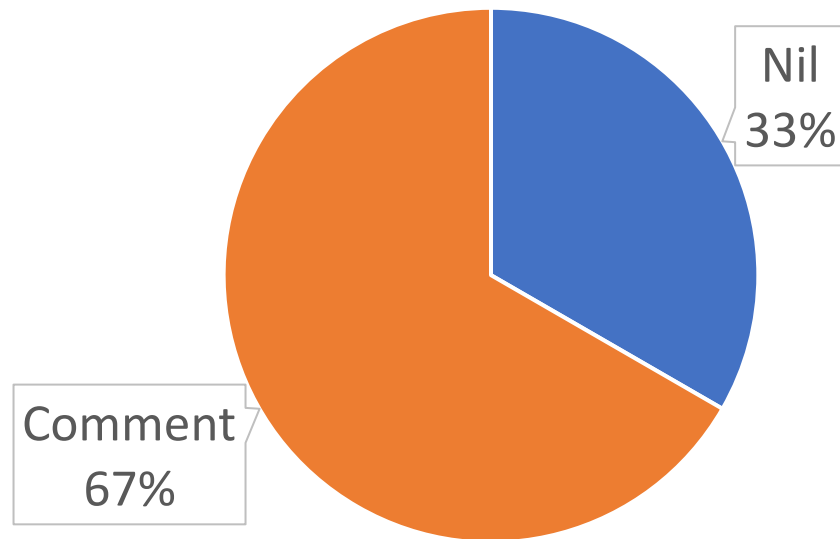
- Approximately 1000 Leaflets delivered across the Parish (Sept 2022)
- We provided an online option for people outside the parish
- 5% Response
 - 51 forms
 - 12 online submissions (not part of the above response %)

Q1 Would you like the current Skatepark to be updated?



Q2 How many people
would use the
Skatepark? 51

Q3 What would encourage you to use the Skatepark more often?

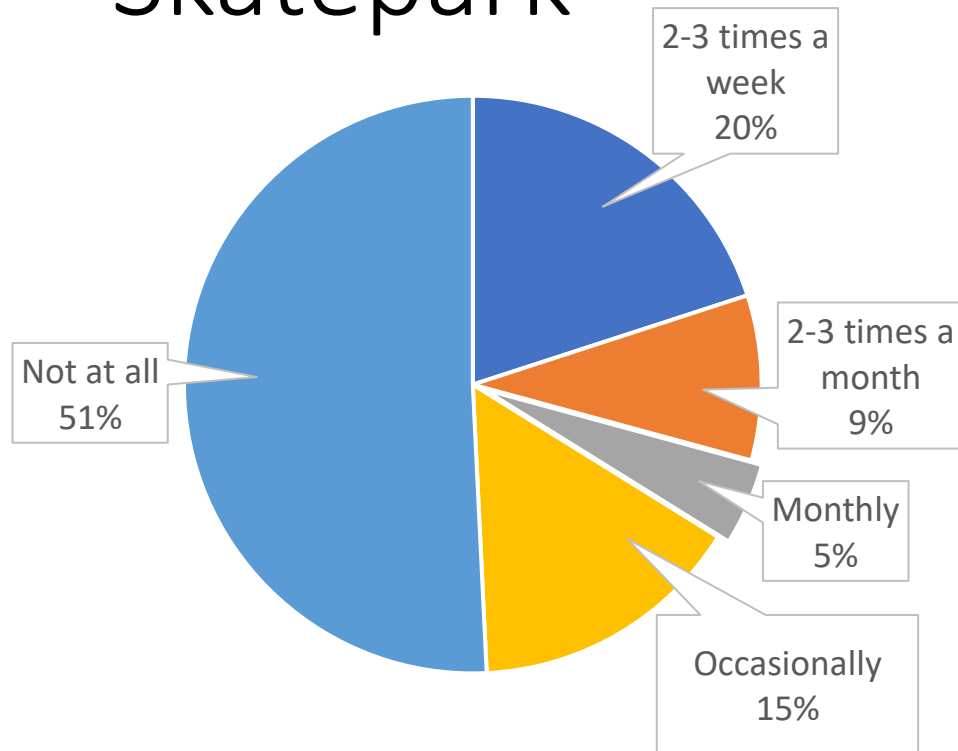


Q3 – What do we need to consider

- nothing, retired pensioner
- Be 65 years younger
- I am too old and have no interest but I want our young community to have benefit
- we are old, 78/81
- Eternal Youth!
- Not for me but the youngsters need something constructive to do
- Have more space and small drop ins
- Updated and made bigger
- Better ramps, basket ball hoop with net, goal with net
- Good lighting, regularly maintained surface
- Skate meet ups, workshops to help our kids learn
- Shade! Also rolling terrain e.g. bowls rather than halfpipe and rails
- Easy access, a range of facilities for different levels, safe environment
- If it had a built in area of shade families could use shade on hot days
- Grandchildren visiting more often! They love it thankyou
- Update so grandchildren aged 15 would have somewhere to let off some energy
- Friends having something else in the village to do when visiting
- Q5 - Current construction makes it too loud. Please ensure that if rebuilt the ramps etc are supported by soil and so do not act like a drum. Thankyou

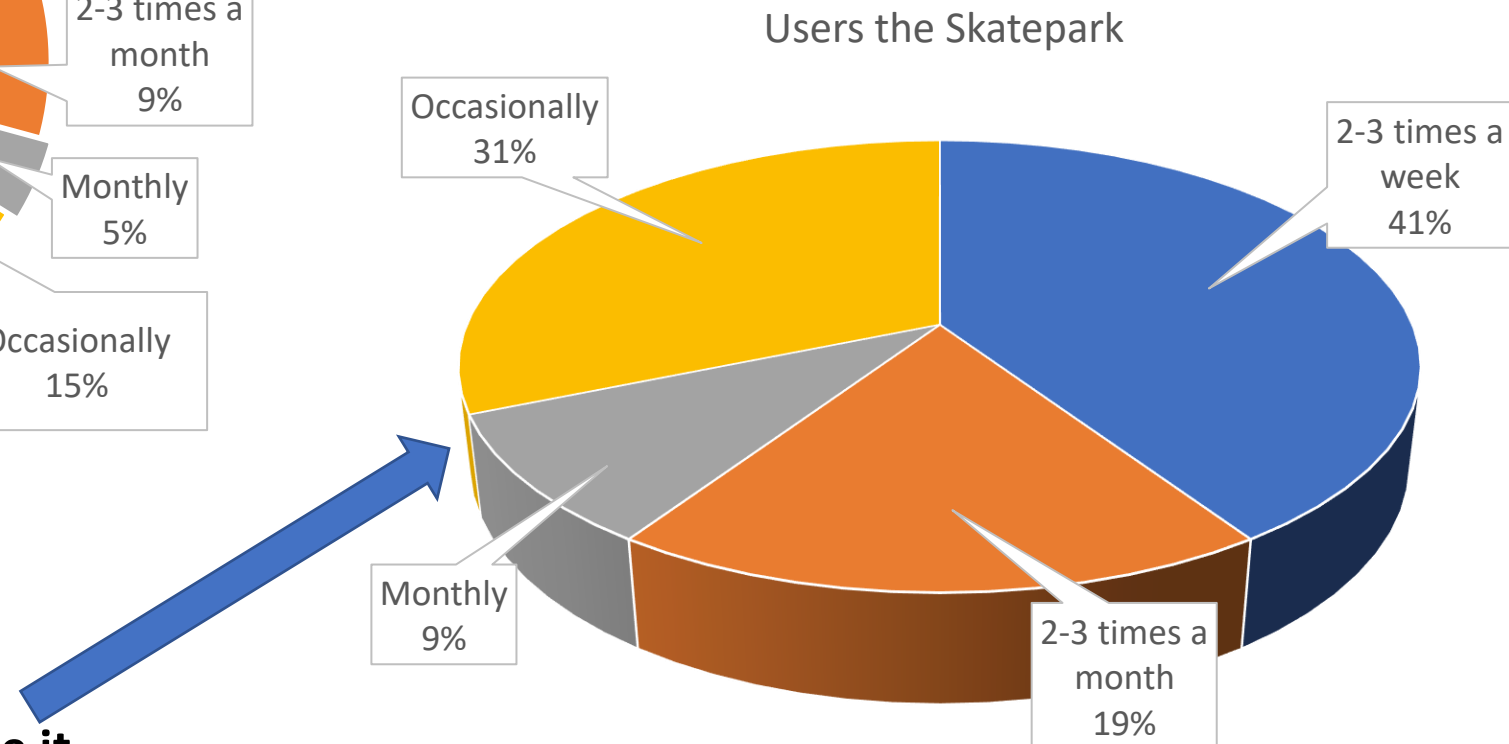


Q4 How often would you use the Skatepark

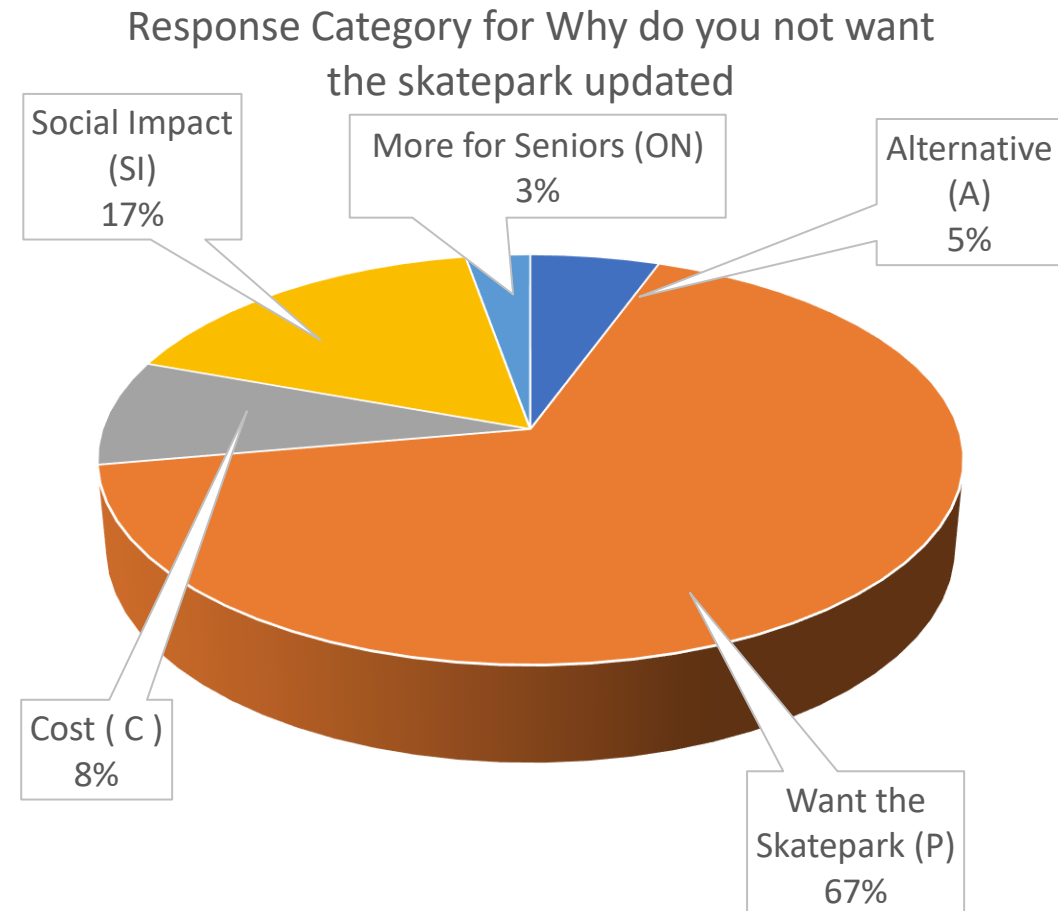
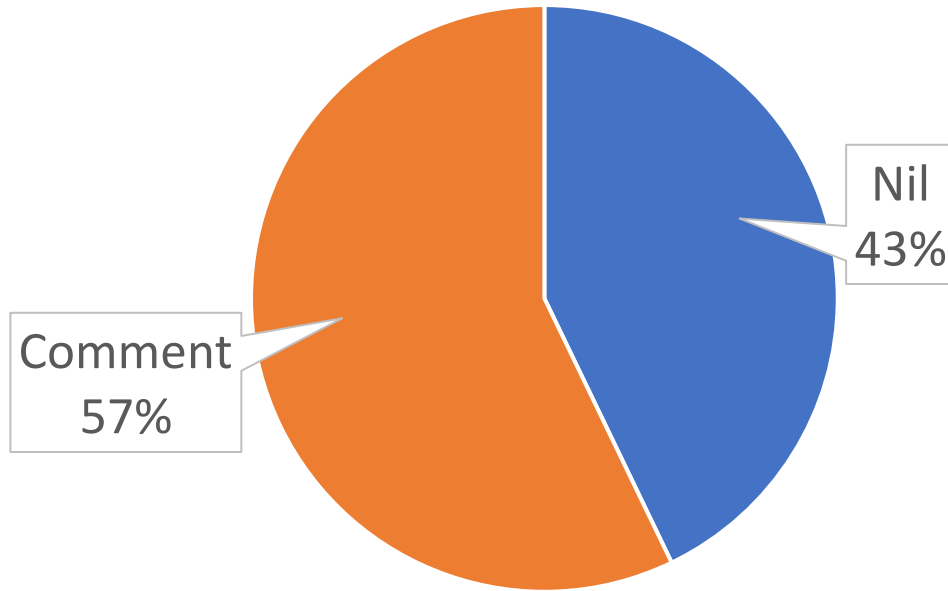


Q2 How many people would use the Skatepark?

51 would use it



Q5 Why do you not want the skatepark updated



Q5 Where people did not want the Skatepark updating concerns were

- Cost –
 - I think the money could be better spent on something that benefits the Whole community.
 - Who will pay for future expenses
 - Who will caretake area
 - Waste of money
 - Who will clean up graffiti
 - Money better spend on a return of youth club
 - Other things to spend money on eg repair playframe, decent basketball ring
 - A lot of expense aimed at a small minority. Better skateparks in towns
 - It will be an expensive white elephant
- Social Impact
 - An increase in noise and hooliganism.
 - A breeding ground for problems
 - Attracts bad bullying. Not right for village. Expensive for a small minority
 - It would be mistreated and only attract the wrong sort to our village
 - Noise and behaviour
 - Would be too noisy and unsettling
- Alternatives
 - A play area for older children is needed 10-16 not just skatepark which limits children and young adults
 - To much for kids! Not enough for seniors!
 - Facilities in the village need updating



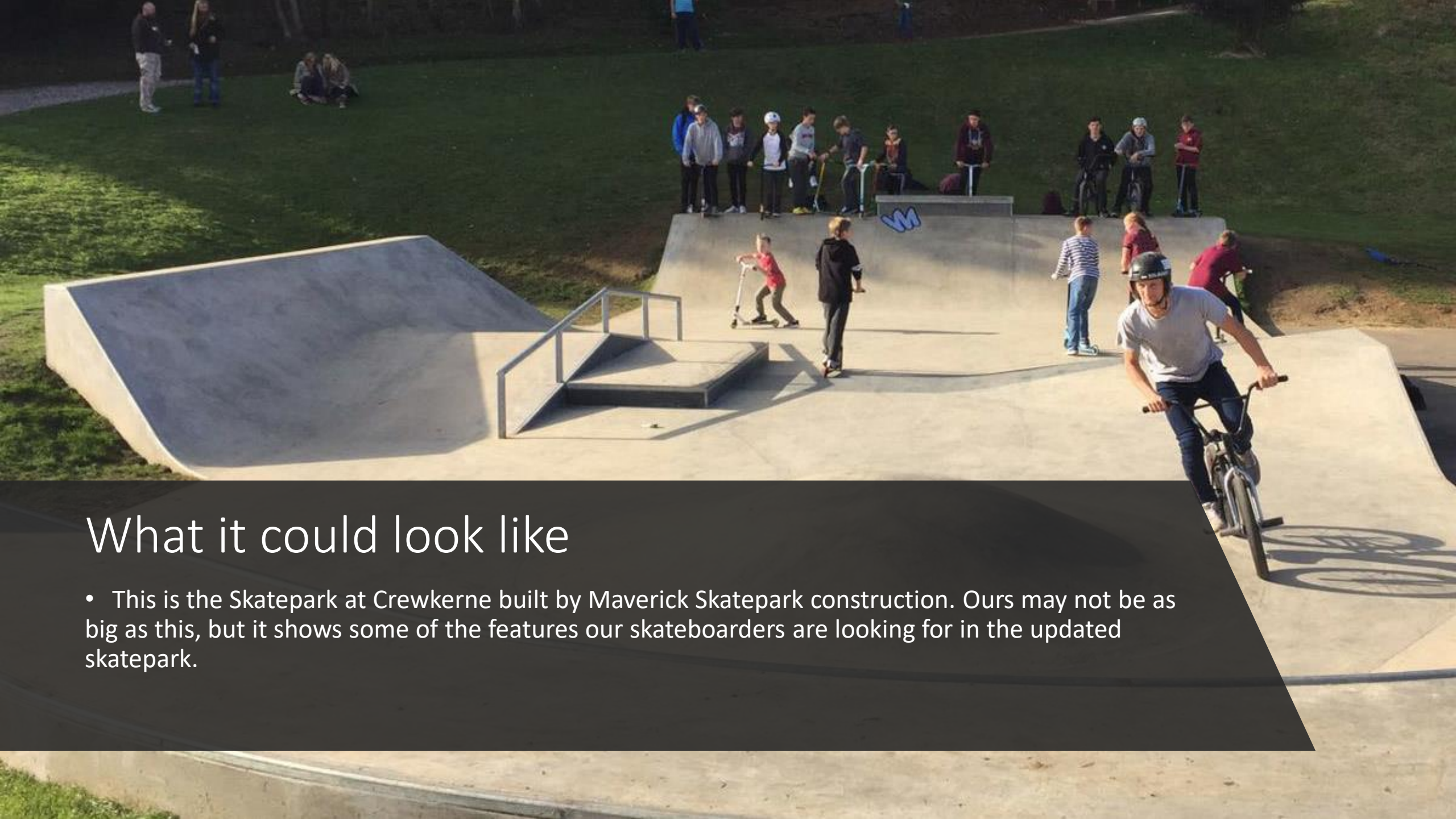


Why we want the Skatepark updating and
Benefits to the Community

Q5 What are the positives

- Better Use
 - So it would be used more by the younger generation
 - We are in our seventies, the children of the village need it
 - Do it for the youngsters benefit to keep them from using the high street
 - So that the kids have better chance of advancing their skills
 - Skateboard park is an amenity for young people in sixpenny Handley and should be encouraged
 - Only so young people in our village can have the facility, bored kids can be trouble
 - Nicer to use
 - Currently looks untidy - updating will encourage more use
 - To provide a positive place in village for young people to enjoy and develop sports skills
 - Kids need more these days, more variation
 - We need somewhere safe for the children of the village to meet and exercise
 - I feel it is an excellent extension to community facilities especially for the younger element
 - Great facility for the youngsters of this village
 - Good for the youth
 - I do, it would be an excellent asset of the village
 - More fun for the kids :)





What it could look like

- This is the Skatepark at Crewkerne built by Maverick Skatepark construction. Ours may not be as big as this, but it shows some of the features our skateboarders are looking for in the updated skatepark.

Skatepark Area



- We have agreement from the Parish Council to extend the existing Skatepark.
- The existing shelter and basketball hoop is expected to be relocated within the Rec
- The boundary will be extended as shown on the map to provide a suitable area for the skatepark



How we are looking to fund
the rebuild

Objectives of the Project Team

- Build a new Skatepark
- Raise funds to rebuild the Skatepark through Grants and Fundraising activities
- Engage with the Parish on the construction and use of the skatepark
- Engage with the young people of the village to ensure it is fit for purpose



Project Tasks

- Raise funds – Grants and fund raising
- Engage young people in the project
 - Young People are members of the committee
- Confer with members of the Parish to understand and address concerns
- Contract with a Skateboard park design and build company
- Communicate to the community on progress being made



Where are we now



- Committee formed and under direction of Sixpenny Handley and Pentridge CCIO
 - Chair Person – Leah Way
 - Secretary – Andy Turner
 - Young Person Reps – Finn, Dylan, Jacob, Isaac, Djibrel
- Initiated Fund Raising - £5000+ already raised
- Establishing the Business Case (post design and planning approval) to then apply for Grants
- Engaging with Parish Council
- Communications
 - Publishing articles in The Downsman
 - Facebook Page to share updates