



## Leongatha Skate Park Works to Begin

South Gippsland Shire Council will begin works on the Leongatha Skate Park project by the end of January.

The \$429,067 project aims to meet the growing needs of local young people in the area and to increase the use and function of the facility.

The redevelopment works will include:

- Excavating and demolition of the original site
- Installing of drainage
- Pouring of concrete slabs to form a new skate bowl and street skate area
- Installing skate rails and ramps for street skate area, all weather shelter, steel seats and embellishing the park with the 'LGSP' logo
- Planting rolled turf and forming pathways to finalise the landscape

The project works are expected to be completed by May 2016, subject to weather conditions.

Extensive community consultation was conducted as part of the project including local users, Leongatha Recreation Reserve Committee and the Leongatha Skate Park Committee, a group of local youth who lobbied for the project.

Council's Asset Engineer Mohammad Chowdhury said it was promising to see the project about to begin.

"A comprehensive amount of consultation and design works have been completed to have the project reach this point.

"Council looks forward to delivering the project so that our local youth can enjoy the new facility as soon as possible. The Leongatha Regional Skate Park will be a high quality facility for all ability skaters," said Mr Chowdhury

The Leongatha Regional Skate Park is part of Council's suite of \$17.8M in capital works projects in the 2015/16 financial year. For information about other projects visit Council's website:

[http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/info/20081/current\\_infrastructure\\_projects/169/capital\\_and\\_major\\_works\\_projects](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/info/20081/current_infrastructure_projects/169/capital_and_major_works_projects).

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