

PROJECT TIMELINE

DATE	MEETING / EVENT	SUMMARY
Sep 2018	Recreation, Leisure & Amenities Committee	Capital Works programme submitted to Hart District Council for S106 funding, including replacement of the skatepark.
Dec 2018	Full Council	Considered whether the skatepark should be relocated within The Views as part of The Harlington renovation project.
Nov 2023	Parks & Open Spaces Working Group <i>(Internal)</i>	ROSPA report noted Half Pipe beyond economic repair; replacement should be considered. Discussed relocation but noted high cost of new foundations.
Dec 2023	Recreation, Leisure & Amenities Committee	Reported findings of Working Group. Initial quotes indicated Half Pipe replacement alone would cost £65.6k.
Jun 2024	Parks & Open Spaces Working Group <i>(Internal)</i>	Discussed replacement options. Agreed to engage Fleet Phoenix to liaise with young people. No grant options identified; PWLB loan identified as most practical funding route.
Dec 2024	Fleet Phoenix meeting with young people (advertised via posters, schools, and social media)	Meeting held with approx. 8 young people (aged 11–21) and 2 residents. Gathered views on the existing skatepark and wish list for new facility.
Mar 2025	Annual Residents Meeting	Residents advised of three planned projects identified from resident feedback, including skatepark. Also advised the Council intends to fund projects through PWLB loan.
Apr 2025	Presentation from young people	Six young people presented on the value of the skatepark, their aspirations for a new design, and shared a concept drawing.
Apr 2025	Parks & Open Spaces Working Group <i>(Internal)</i>	Agreed skatepark was the top 2025/26 budget priority. Allocated £250k and instructed officers to draft tender documents based on youth design input. Tender brief to include: noise mitigation, maintenance requirements, allowance for alternative schemes.
May 2025	Community engagement – social media & schools	Requested resident and user feedback on youth design concept. (Facebook: 502 views, 1,225 reach, 7 interactions; Instagram: 126 views)
May 2025	Newsletter (delivered to all residents)	Article published on skatepark renovation project.
Jun 2025	Recreation, Leisure & Amenities Committee	Members approved tender brief for design, supply & installation of a new skatepark and authorised commencement of tender process.
Jul 2025	ROSPA inspection	Recommended closure of Half Pipe, Combination Grind Box & Jump Ramps for safety reasons.
Aug 2025	Posters & Social Media	Announced closure of skatepark due to safety risks and confirmed tender process underway.