

# Norton Road Skate Park

## Phase Two of the Half Pipe Refurbishment

The Project has now completed Phase One, which consisted of removing the plywood and Skatelite surface from the half pipe. Following this work, the steel structure has been inspected and found to be in remarkably good condition. This provides a basis to move on to the second and final phase.

It consists of the following elements:

- The steel structure to be sanded down and painted with a proprietary product to be selected by the project's specialist volunteers. This will protect the frame from further corrosion and extend the life of the half pipe considerably
- Any small repairs will be made by the project group's team of specialist volunteers from the local fabrication companies
- The relaying of the skate ramp will then be done by the project team's preferred professional skate ramp builder, A1 Ramps. This will include surfaces on the towers' platforms at each end
- The exterior of the structure will be provided with cladding, designed and installed by the project's specialist volunteers. This will enhance the appearance, prevent climbing of the structure, and provide a base for signage
- There will be no cost to Norton Town Council or MNAP. The project has received generous committed support in cash and in kind from local and national businesses sufficient to complete the project
- The finished structure will carry logos and names of the contributing companies, and also a full story board describing the history of the half pipe and of its refurbishment

Prior to the start of phase one of the project, a review of health and safety requirements took place, and a risk assessment was completed. The project has put insurance in place to cover the work of the volunteers, with details provided to Norton Town Council and MNAP. Many kind offers of help have been received, reflecting the enthusiasm in the community for the project. The volunteers selected to work on each stage are being chosen for their skills and experience. Where appropriate, their knowledge is being used to instruct other volunteers.

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