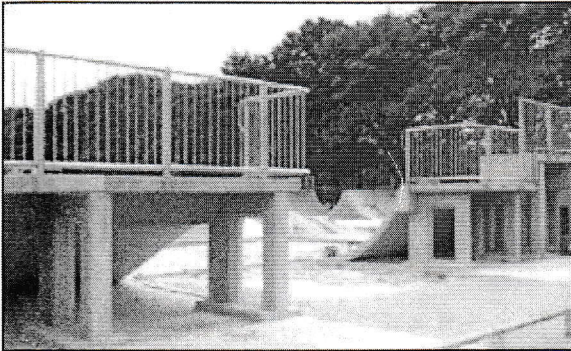


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Skate park gets a face lift



The new skatepark under construction

The upgrade of Woodhouse Moor Skate Park is well underway, and it's all thanks to the local skaters.

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The total cost of the Woodhouse upgrade is £240,000.

The scheme has been funded by Leeds City Council and the Government's Single Regeneration Budget Round 3.

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The council was approached by local skaters requesting a upgrade of the current skate park facilities at Woodhouse Moor.

In order to ensure the these facilities met with the skateboarders and bmx-ers specific needs, a year long consultation took place between local skating and bmx groups and council members.


During this time the design, layout and contracting of the new equipment for the site was agreed.

Woodhouse Moor is the oldest and most well used skate park within the city. In the height in the summer, an estimated 200 young people use the site on a daily basis.

To meet this demand, more robust concrete equipment is being installed with some equipment specially customised for the site.

The new equipment will have a smoother finish, is more resistant to vandalism and will require very little maintenance. It has a street-style focus and skaters can expect to find a mini spine, hips, blocks and a big funbox. The new park aims to coax skaters away from the city centre.

Work began on site in January and is expected to be finished by June 2004.

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