

PRESS RELEASE



GOOD NEWS – Lafarge Tarmac supports the new SONNING COMMON SKATEPARK

Plans to build an exciting new skatepark in Sonning Common, situated in the corner of the lower playing field of Bishopswood Sports Ground, are a large step closer with the announcement of a major grant towards the project.

The Sonning Common Skatepark working party is very pleased to confirm that it has been awarded a grant of over £60,000 from Lafarge Tarmac, via the Landfill Communities Fund, towards the new skatepark and the enhancement of facilities at the Baskerville Road play area.

Mike Pendock, estates manager for Lafarge Tarmac, said: "I'm very happy that we're able to support the community in getting the new skatepark up and running, and improving the existing local play facilities. I look forward to seeing the finished project, which will be a great amenity for young people in the area."

An application has also been made to the South Oxfordshire District Council Community Investment Fund, the outcome of which is eagerly anticipated. Donations have also been pledged by local parish councils and community groups and fundraising continues.

Carole Lewis, chair of the skatepark working party, said: "This is extremely positive news for the skatepark. We are delighted with the progress made to date, but still need to raise more money before the build can begin. We very much hope that the village community will continue to support this exciting project for the benefit of our young people."

More information can be obtained from the Parish Office – tel. 0118 972 3616 or www.sonningcommonweb.co.uk/skatepark or www.facebook.com/SonningCommonRollerpark

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