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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SKATE AND SCOOTER PARK COMPLETED OFFICIAL OPENING TO TAKE PLACE WITH EVENT ON SATURDAY APRIL 27

Construction of the new Meadowbank Park skate, scooter and play space facility has been completed this week with keen skaters, BMX riders and scooter riders now able to try out the first-class facilities.

Developed by award-winning youth space builder, Convic, the new skate and scooter park features a range of high-quality components that cater for people of all ages and skill levels.

Key features of the new skate and scooter park include:

- Three-metre deep Olympic-standard competition bowl
- Dual spine flow bowl as well as obstacles such as a euro gap, kickers, rails, kerb banks, and a streetscape skate area
- A surrounding asphalt track for beginners
- Picnic and shelter facilities
- New landscaping and controlled lighting
- Playground equipment and a climbing net tunnel
- Parkour and Bouldering area
- A table-tennis court
- Connecting footpaths
- CCTV cameras

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said the completion of the new skate and scooter park delivered on Council's promise to provide more outdoor recreational spaces to the entire community.

"This new facility is a huge addition to the City of Ryde, providing fun and safe facilities for people of all ages and abilities as well as alfresco and seating areas for everyone to take advantage of," Cllr Laxale said.

"After years of inaction from previous Councils, this Council got on with the job of delivering this new facility on time and on budget for the benefit of the entire community both now and well into the future.

"I would like to thank everyone who has advocated for this skate and scooter park over the years, in particular the Skate Park Working Group who helped shape its final design and key features. Everyone who sees the finished product would agree that Ryde now has another outdoor facility that would be the envy of many."

To celebrate the new Meadowbank Outdoor Youth and Family Recreation Space, the City of Ryde is staging an official opening on Saturday April 27.

The opening will feature a range of fun and entertaining events throughout the afternoon including demonstrations by professional skaters, competitions, a live DJ, Mexican food truck and a free ride for everyone to take part in.

The opening starts at midday with activities taking place until 4pm. More information can be found at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/parklaunch.

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