



**SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL**

## **Officer Delegated Decision**

9<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive  
and Section 151 Officer

### **Installation of a Skate Park at Wyndham Park, Grantham**

This Officer Delegated Decision (ODD) report seeks approval to award the contract to Fearless Ramps Ltd for the installation of a Skate Park at Wyndham Park, Grantham utilising UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) funding contribution.

#### **Contact**

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<b>Decision made by:</b>	Richard Wyles
<b>Decision:</b>	To award the contract to Fearless Ramps Ltd for the installation of a Skate Park at Wyndham Park, Grantham
<b>Public or Exempt:</b>	Public with the exemption of Appendix 1
<b>Reasons for exemption:</b>	Appendix 1 includes information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person/organisation and is therefore exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local government Act 1972 (as amended)
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No
<b>Policy compliant:</b>	Yes
<b>Details of delegation:</b>	The Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer has the necessary delegation to approve the use of UK Shared Prosperity Fund Grants. This delegated authority was granted by the Full Council meeting of 22 May 2025.

## **1. Implications**

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, safeguarding, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

### ***Finance***

- 1.1 Fearless Ramps Ltd has submitted a price of £99,992 exc. VAT following the development of a specification and pricing schedule. The council successfully received two tender submissions using Welland Procurement's e tendering system. These have both been evaluated in accordance with the Council's procurement rules.
- 1.2 The Council has been awarded a grant amount from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund of £125,000, for the development of a new skate park in Wyndham Park, Grantham. The remaining balance will be used to provide secure fencing, landscaping, signage and seating in the vicinity of the new park.

Completed by: **Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer**

### ***Procurement***

- 1.3 Officers have developed a specification, pricing schedule and received responses from bidders via the e tendering system where cost and quality have been evaluated to ensure best value. This is compliant with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

Completed by: **Helen Baldwin, Procurement Lead**

### ***Legal and Governance***

- 1.4 The Deputy Chief Executive has the delegated authority granted by Full Council on 22 May 2025 to (in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance, HR and Economic Development) approve UKSPF grant allocations and to undertake any necessary actions including: allocation of any uncommitted funds to specific interventions; and reallocation of funds and movement of revenue funds to capital expenditure..

Completed by: **James Welbourn, Democratic Services Manager**

## 2. The Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2024 to 2027 contains the key priorities of Connecting Communities by encouraging sport and physical activity to support healthy lifestyles and reduce health inequalities. The use of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund allocated specifically for Green Space and Outdoor Improvements can help to support this aim by improving the assets owned by the Council and enabling more opportunities for residents to be active.
- 2.2 The total grant amount from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund is £125,000, which will be used to construct a new galvanised steel skate park, make improvements to the existing surface in Wyndham Park, install a 1.0m high fence to border the park and add additional seating for spectators.
- 2.3 All grant monies must be fully spent by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026. Fearless Ramps Ltd estimate a completion date around the beginning of December 2025.
- 2.4 Officers have identified from various consultations that there is a community need for a Skate Park in Grantham. Various members of the public, schools and stakeholders have been consulted. These included the Cabinet member for Leisure and Culture, ward councillors for Grantham St. Wulframs and Grantham St. Vincents, the Wyndham Park Forum, Grantham Bowls Club, Wyndham Park Model Boat Club, Grantham Rivercare and more. The schools located near the site, West Grantham Academy, Little Gonerby C of E Primary Academy and Wyndham Park Nursery School were also contacted. Other sources were -
- Results from the recent consultation in July 2025.
  - Soft consultation results which demonstrate 165 responses from 191 marking their interest as 'very interested' for the development.
  - Support and signatures from pupils and teachers at West Grantham Academy in support of the skate park.
  - A review has also been undertaken on the Wyndham Park consultations for the last five years with over 40 comments in favour of a skate park, with the question asked being around further improvements for Wyndham Park to consider.
- 2.5 A specification and pricing schedule has been developed detailing the Council's requirements. There are broader benefits and impacts expected to be achieved through the successful delivery of the installation of the skate park. These are –
- Providing a safe, accessible and inclusive space for young people and families to engage in physical activity which aligns with the Councils Sport and Physical Activity Strategy.
  - Encourage outdoor play which aligns with the Councils Play Area Strategy
  - Create a focal point for youth-led recreation, reducing antisocial behaviour through use of public space and improve community cohesion.

- Contribute to the visual and functional improvement of Wyndham Park
  - Deliver a low maintenance, vandal-resistance facility that provides long-term value for the community and council.
  - Increase tourism and secondary spend within Grantham
- 2.6 The Council has received two tender submissions in response to the specification and pricing schedule developed. These have then been reviewed and the decision made to award the contract to Fearless Ramps Ltd, whose proposal offered high levels of value and fully utilised the space available.

### **3. Available Options Considered**

- 3.1 The Council could provide the capital investment to install a new skate park within its open spaces and as such it does have a budget available for the current financial year. However given the current financial challenges the Council is facing and the rising costs of equipment, the opportunity to utilise UK Shared Prosperity Fund contributions to fund this project is fiscally more prudent.

### **4. Preferred Option**

- 4.1 To award a contract to Fearless Ramps Ltd to design and construct a galvanised steel skate park in Wyndham Park, Grantham.

### **5. Reasons for the Decision(s)**

- 5.1 A procurement exercise has been undertaken receiving two submissions. Following evaluation Fearless Ramps Ltd submission offered best value in terms of quality, longevity and skate park flow/structure/equipment.

### **6. Appendices**

- 6.1 Exempt Appendix 1 – Fearless Ramps Ltd Quotation.

Signed by: **Richard Wyles**

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Dated: **9 September 2025**