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## Skate park almost complete



Riding the bowl at the new skatepark

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**A state of the art skate park is due to open in spring at the Princess May Recreation Ground in Penzance.**

Work and planning of the new skate park started in August 2003 and the American style sunken skate bowl was completed and officailly opened in time for Christmas 2004. The opening of the bowl was seen as a thank you to the youth of Penzance.

Penwith District Council invited three skaters from the region to try out the bowl and give their verdict on design and construction.

Their comments were "Magnificent", "The best Bowl that I have ever skated" and " It is so quiet".

The Princess May skate park is on the Treneere Estate opposite the Humphry Davy School in Penzance, and it is anticipated that phase one of the development will be complete by Easter 2005.

### The terrain

The skate park facility, when complete, will be unique in the UK and will include varying types of terrain, designed to allow beginners through to advance skaters to practice the sport.

The terrain includes bowls at a maximum depth of 2.13m, kerbs, ledges, grinding blocks and peripheral street items.

The more advanced features will be located within the centre of the bowl and the beginner features around the edges of the facility. The skate park will not only serve the local community but will also act as the Council's flagship skate park in Penwith.

Penwith Council will hold a formal opening

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### FACTS

Funding for Phase one of the project has come from Penwith District Council Liveability Fund, Cornwall Regeneration (Neighbourhood Renewal Fund), Sport England and Penzance Town Council.

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ceremony on completion of Phase one, where they will be inviting their funding partners and community partners to a skate park jamboree, to include workshops and competitions for all levels of skaters.

To see the progress of the park go to [www.penwith.gov.uk](http://www.penwith.gov.uk)

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