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BURRA SKATE PARK SET TO BECOME A REGIONAL PLAY SPACE

As identified in the Goyder Master Plan 2018-2033, the local community's vision for a safe and inclusive play space for children and young people will soon become a reality in Burra. The Regional Council of Goyder has been successful in receiving a \$232,500 grant from the South Australian Government to complete the Burra Skate Park space as part of the 2018-19 Planning and Development local government grant program.

The Burra Creek West Development (Burra Skate Park) will provide much needed connectivity between the green spaces, places and amenity of the Burra Creek area including the Burra skate park and play areas. Council completed the eastern Burra Creek Redevelopment project in 2009 and in 2012/13, the Goyder Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) raised funds to construct a concrete skate park. In November 2017, Council in partnership with Town Planning HQ Pty Ltd, conducted a community consultation where over 50 children and young people from Goyder YAC, Burra Community School and Burra OSHC attended. They provided valuable feedback and ideas which assisted with the development of the new concept plan for the play space.

Council recognises the need to engage local young people in the future planning for youth spaces and from the outset, the project has been driven by Goyder YAC, for the benefit of youth living in Goyder.

With the expected completion date to be December 2020, the new play space will include:

- The completion of the current skate ramp to create better flow for users,
- Creation of disability access to the space through ramps and natural trails,
- Provision of shelter, natural shade, water fountains, seating, and a BBQ,
- Encouragement of nature exploration through the development of a nature play space,
- Development of a children's bike track and inclusive playground.

At the June 2019 Ordinary Council meeting, Council approved a budget variation of \$150,00 in the 2019-20 budget and \$82,000 in the 2020-2021 budget for the development of the Burra Skate Park and Western Creek area, which combined with the Commonwealth grant, will support the completion of the project.

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