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THE LIGHTS ARE ON

The new Esperance Skate Park can now be used after the sun goes down.

The energy efficient LED powered lights were connected by Horizon Power yesterday and users of the area can now push the button to have light after dark.

When pushed the button provides 2 hours of lighting to the skate park and surrounding area. Additionally there is a timer that will turn the lights off, powering down 50 % initially, for a 5 minute period and then off completely. This will give people time to safely leave the area or re-push the button if prior to 11pm. The lights are only operational between the hours of 5pm to 11pm.

Chief Executive Officer Matthew Scott said "It is great to have the lights up and running to provide Esperance skaters with a few more hours of recreation time. The amount of use the area has been getting has been fantastic to see. The reports we have received are all positive and the area is being looked after really well. It's been a great project to be involved in with some very enthusiastic community members."

The Shire would like to thank to Horizon Power for helping make the area a more useable and safer venue for our community in the evening.

The official opening, to recognise the funding bodies, will be celebrated on the 3rd and 4th December with pro skaters, scooter and BMX riders heading to Esperance to take part in a competition and run workshops. The Edge of the Bay event will include demonstrations, product jams, live music and food vendors.

Ends

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Horizon Power District Manager Layton Baker, Shire Councillor John Parsons, scooter enthusiasts Lexus and Jethro Davison

Promotion of Edge of the Bay Event