Dear council members,

I would like to secure your interest in my proposal for the provision of a scooter park at the junction of Wheelers Lane and Wellhouse Lane at the old gravel pit.

I have been in consultation with Fearless Ramps, who installed a larger project at Leatherhead Leisure Centre, and Skaterham, a well-established skate and scooter facility in Caterham.

The pictures shown below are an example of the kind of thing that could be created for the park. With the idea that if it is a success, then more equipment can be added later. As you can see, it is modular, so it can be built/installed where we like and needs minimal ground preparation. The pictures show that some graffiti has been sprayed. This has all been painted over now and looks really smart.

The area of the gravel pit is roughly 14m x 40m, running parallel with the road. It is very overgrown with an amount of gravel to be cleared. The trees would require some cutting back, and in general, a good tidy-up would show the potential of the site.

From a health and safety perspective, and following advice from Fearless Ramps and Skaterham, the ramp itself must be fully enclosed so that access to the framework is denied, and the landings need to be boarded completely.

The trees and hedges around the park would require some attention to facilitate a better view of the bend and the junction as vehicles pass the park.

A chicane-type fence could be installed at the entrance to the park, which would help to prevent children and adults from going out onto the road without due care and attention.

A bin and some seating for parents would also be welcome.

As for who would benefit from a scooter park in the local area. North Downs school has 400 students just at Brockham. This doesn't allow for Betchworth and Leigh. There has also been some housing development in the area. Presently, there is no free entertainment for the 8-16-year-old category. It will be a great place for kids to socialise, learn new skills, be physically active, and get off the screens!

I am prepared to work with or alongside Fearless Ramps to produce ramps similar to those pictured.