



TWEED SKATEABLE SCULPTURAL TRAIL

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Tweed Shire Council

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SUMMARY

Approaching the South Tweed Community center along Minjungbal Drive your attention is captured by an alignment of crumpled bright yellow follies which lead to the \$300K South Tweed Skate Facility.

The steel ledges have been designed as sculptural pieces and serve as incidental skate elements, and unconventional seating areas with etched aluminum art panels fixed to the non-skate faces.

The Skate Trail is a \$100K addition to the larger skate bowl and is a real achievement in providing alternative recreational and social opportunities within a limited budget.

The skate trail is a first of its kind in Australia and demonstrates an exciting potential for incidental urban spaces, school grounds, transport nodes and infrastructure. Convic practice a sustainable social approach by encouraging 'facilities' for young people to be along highprofile frontages and in places that are inherently energized with existing activity, and where young people want to be, rather than hiding these facilities in parklands. Drawing on established active areas encourages wider community participation and a mentorship, with young people sharing space with older people; these spaces are for the whole of community.

The vivid sculptural trail has been commended by Tweed Shire Council Councilor Dot Holdom "we take an immense sense of pride in what you have put in for our young people who enjoy this sport/activity and just "how right" the positioning of this new facility is."

Wade Daws a local skateboarder described the project "It is very excellent and artistic, very creative. You have to use your brain to do it." Tweed Daily News



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