

Celebration day at restored BMX track

The sterling efforts of a villager and other volunteers has seen the BMX track in Haddenham open again for all to enjoy.

On Sunday, July 9, a "Refurb-Jam" was held to mark the event and from about 9am, 25 or more children and parents turned up

to celebrate the return of the BMX track to its former glory.

Jason Bond started the restoration project last May when, after contacting the parish council, he began work on cutting the overgrown grass and weeds around the track.

He said: "We were then able to use the track again, albeit on a very narrow path between the weeds!

"This village facility was important to me and other parents and kids in the village as it represented a 'safe' place for kids

to ride bikes and learn the skills that can be translated eventually to riding on the road."

The parish council then arranged for some weed killing to be carried out to eliminate more of the weeds covering the track and last month they appointed

SNJenks, who run a BMX track building service, to refurbish the track.

Jason said: "All those involved in this project are very grateful to Haddenham Parish Council for listening to our concerns and wishes for the BMX

track, and ultimately helping to bring the site back up to great condition."

Jason is keen to keep a core of volunteers involved in keeping up minor maintenance at regular intervals, creating a sense of ownership.