Write a model text to use as a stimulus for persuasive writing in Year 4. The model text should be a persuasive letter written by a pupil to the council to persuade them to save the local skate park from being dug up to build new houses. Include the following words and phrases: when, before, after, because, so that, as, although, therefore, however, firstly, secondly, finally, in fact, in addition. Include modal verbs, imperative verbs.

## Dear Council,

I am writing this letter to ask you to save the local skate park from being dug up to build new houses. Firstly, it is important to remember how long this skate park has been used by the community - it has been here for generations. Therefore, it deserves to be kept for the enjoyment of future generations.

In addition, when the skate park is used, it can create a sense of community spirit. Everyone comes together to learn and share their new tricks with each other. As a result, the skate park should be kept open for everyone, regardless of age or skill.

Although there may be a need to build new housing, this cannot be put before the great use of the skate park. It would be a shame if it were to be destroyed, as the children have only been able to enjoy it for a short while.

In fact, I believe that alternative locations should be investigated so that we can all save the local skate park. With the right support, the skate park can be improved and used more than ever before, so that everyone across the town can benefit.

Furthermore, the improvement of the skate park could allow other activities to take place such as skate lessons, competitions and festivals. This could bring people together and bring more money into the local area.

Therefore, I urge you to think carefully about the future of this important area before making any decisions that may affect us all. Please protect the skate park so that our community can continue to enjoy it for years to come.

Yours sincerely, [Pupil Name]