



Sharing Shed Feasibility Study



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1 Executive Summary

All Environmental Concepts (AEC) was engaged by Wyndham City Council to undertake a feasibility study for a Sharing Shed for everyday items such as tools, toys, gardening equipment, kitchenware and leisure equipment with the aim of increasing the reuse of materials and diverting waste from landfill.

Key findings of the study are:

1. A stand-alone building located at the Wyndham Park Community Shed (WPCS) has been identified as a suitable site for establishing a Sharing Shed.
2. Management at WPCS have expressed a willingness for the building to be used for the purpose of a Sharing Shed which could be operated in partnership with WPCS.
3. A number of social enterprises operating out of the WPCS offer multiple partnership opportunities.
4. The ideal operating model for a Sharing Shed is not-for-profit volunteer managed and operated. Discussions with WPCS social enterprises and local charities indicate support for this model.
5. Estimated costs at implementation stage of a Sharing Shed at this site will be \$90,555 – this includes a part time project officer who would be responsible for coordinating the set-up and recruiting volunteers and foundation members. By second year of operations the Sharing Shed should be fully managed and operated by volunteers. WPCS will assist with the building fit out, set-up and inventory (in-kind) where practicable. Funding for set-up and a part-time project officer would need to be sourced.
6. Community surveys found approximately 57.5% of respondents were interested in a Sharing Shed and 21.8% were not sure if they would use it. 20.7% of respondents would not use a Sharing Shed.
7. The surveys also found that only 31.5% of residents were willing to travel more than ten minutes to a Sharing Shed indicating that a Sharing Shed may have a very local community membership base and that multiple Sharing Sheds may be viable across Wyndham over time.
8. A “delivery” service may assist in increasing memberships.
9. A Sharing Shed focuses on resource recovery and supports a circular economy aligning strongly with the aims of Council’s *Waste and Litter Strategy* and *Resilient Wyndham Strategy*.
10. Although difficult to quantify under the scope of this study, strong social and environmental benefits can be associated with the proposed Sharing Shed.

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2 Introduction

AEC was engaged by Wyndham City Council to undertake a feasibility study for a Sharing Shed. A Sharing Shed will offer the local community the opportunity to borrow everyday items such as tools, gardening equipment, kitchenware, party items and leisure and sporting equipment with the aim of increasing the reuse of materials and diverting waste from landfill.

The study investigated:

- Learnings from similar projects in other municipalities
- The most suitable location for a Sharing Shed
- Community appetite for the Sharing Shed
- Relevant workshops, repair and upcycling initiatives
- The governance structure and associated insurances required
- The life cycle of common reusable items
- Potential partnerships with community groups or other organisations
- Cost projections for the Sharing Shed at implementation stage
- Associated risks and mitigations strategies

3 Council Profile

Wyndham City is located in Melbourne's outer west, situated at the half way point between Melbourne's CBD and Geelong.

It covers an area of 542km² and includes residential and industrial urban areas, open farmland, intensive horticulture, natural rivers, coastline and wetlands and some of the most significant remnant native grasslands in the country.

Approximately 97% of the municipality's population live in urban areas. The remaining population is distributed throughout rural areas. Wyndham is one of the fastest growing municipalities in the country, recording a growth rate of 5.0% between 2020 and 2021, compared to 1.6% for Australia. The population is forecast to grow by 38% by 2031.

Along with Wyndham's population, the level of waste generation also continues to grow. As modern consumption patterns continue to influence daily lives, Wyndham recognises that waste will remain a long-term issue.

4 Relevant Strategies and Initiatives

Waste & Litter Strategy 2016-2040

Wyndham's *Waste & Litter Strategy 2016-2040* provides a long-term vision for waste in Wyndham and shifts the focus from waste management to resource management. The key purpose of the *Waste & Litter Strategy* is to set and deliver on a new direction for the Wyndham community which concentrates on avoidance, reuse and recycling rather than disposal. A Sharing Shed supports the long-term vision of the *Waste & Litter Strategy*.

Wyndham's Resale Shed is located at the Transfer Station site on Wests Road. Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic the Resale Shed opened for limited hours during week days and weekends and was staffed by Wyndham City Refuse Disposal Facility (RDF) operators. The Resale Shed stocked items that had been discarded into the landfill pit that have the potential to be reused or repaired. Consistent with the *Waste & Litter Strategy* the Resale Shed aimed to reduce waste being sent to landfill by salvaging, repairing and repurposing items and promoting a reuse culture in Wyndham.

The study found that the Resale Shed ceased operations during the Covid-19 pandemic and has not recommenced operating. Whilst the building provides a suitable space for a Sharing Shed the site is not located within a residential precinct and access is limited to vehicles only. On this basis this site is not considered suitable for a Sharing Shed at this stage. It is noted however that the RDF remains a potential source of items for a Sharing Shed.

The Resilient Wyndham Strategy 2021-2025

Covid-19 has been challenging for Wyndham's residents, businesses and community. Wyndham City Council is focused on helping the community get back on its feet and navigate the new 'normal'. The *Resilient Wyndham Strategy 2021-2025* looks at Wyndham's long-term resilience and will help to guide and manage the way Wyndham builds back after the COVID-19 pandemic to be better prepared for future events such as climate change, extreme weather, natural disasters, pandemics, cyber-security attacks and economic downturn.

In becoming resilient Wyndham is putting renewable technologies and innovations front and centre to work towards a carbon positive city, where waste is considered an important resource, shifting our economy from linear to circular. Reliance for landfilling is shifting with waste transitioning from something to be discarded of to a resource with value, that is kept in use. A Sharing Shed supports the shift towards a circular economy.

5 Introduction to Sharing Sheds

5.1 What is a Sharing Shed?

Sharing Sheds – also known as Tool Libraries or Libraries of Things – are similar to book libraries but with 'things' instead of books. They encourage people to borrow instead of buying or throwing away their unwanted items.

Sharing Sheds provide an opportunity to reduce waste to landfill and recover valuable resources by diverting reusable items that may have otherwise been destined for landfill and giving them a new life.

Sharing Sheds provide valuable opportunities for communities by:

- Providing potential volunteer, employment and training opportunities.
- Providing community members with access to a variety of items for a minimal membership fee.
- Reduce the need for purchasing items that may be used only once then discarded.
- Strengthening the notion of sustainability within the community.
- Create a space for community members to meet, learn and share.

Examples of items potentially recovered and shared in Sharing Sheds include:

Art easels	Gardening Tools	Office Equipment	Sporting Equipment
Barbeques	Hand Tools	Pedestal Fans	Toys
Bicycle Pumps	Head Lamps	Picnic Equipment	Trailers
Camping Equipment	Karaoke Machines	Power Tools	Trestle Tables
Disco Ball & Party Lights	Ladders	Preserving Kits	Trolleys
Extension Cords	Laminating Equipment	Sewing Machines	Vacuum Cleaners
Fuel Containers	Overlockers	Scaffolding	Wheel Barrows

A Sharing Shed does not need to be limited to lending items to the community. These spaces can also be used to share ideas, training, mentoring programs and workshops for example.

Typical users of Sharing Sheds include:

- People who aim to reduce their environmental footprint by minimising their purchases of items may be under-utilised.
- People who live in small homes or apartments with little storage space.
- People who cannot afford to purchase all of the items they may like to use but can borrow them instead for a small annual membership fee.
- People who want to feel connected to their community.

5.2 Operating Models

Sharing Sheds can operate under different operating models such as Council managed, community managed, privately managed or a combination of these models.

This study has found that Sharing Sheds are typically established as not-for-profit organisations, managed and operated by teams of enthusiastic volunteers, who are responsible for receiving donated items, updating inventory, maintaining loan and membership databases, maintenance of items, testing and tagging of electrical items, marketing, fundraising and collection of membership fees.

A Sharing Shed in Wyndham is expected to be small in scale and it is likely that a not-for-profit volunteer operated operating model would be the most suitable. It is possible that multiple volunteer Sharing Sheds could ultimately operate across multiple suburbs.

5.3 Learnings from Other Share Facilities

Consultation and desktop research was undertaken with sharing facilities operating across Australia. Examples are summarised in Appendix One.

Telephone discussions, online meetings and on-site visits to other sharing facilities were undertaken to understand and document key learnings which are outlined below:

- Sharing facilities are typically successfully operating as not-for-profit, volunteer-led and run enterprises.
- Successful models operate in partnership or conjunction with other social enterprises and charities such as repair cafes, men's sheds and neighborhood houses.
- Rent costs can be a significant burden and grant funding cannot be used for rent. Co-location with other social enterprises can reduce costs.
- Limit opening hours to 3-4 hours up to twice per week.
- Schedule regular dedicated "maintenance" days – approximately 3 hours per week.
- Recruit and retain a large pool of volunteers – no particular skills required however it is ideal to have some volunteers who are fundraising heroes and volunteers with expertise in social media and IT.
- Aim to have at least two volunteers qualified to Test & Tag – one day courses available and do not need to be an electrician. This cost can be covered by grant funding.
- Ready to use Off the Shelf Software options suitable for sharing facilities include:
 - Myturn –lending and inventory software.
 - Slack – communications channels for volunteers, board members etc.
 - Sling – shift coordination software.
- Most sought after items include pressure washers, lawn mowers, drills and trimmers.
- Accept good quality tools only – minimise damages, malfunctions and maintenance needs. Poor quality donations could be sold (if appropriate) as an income source.
- If purchasing power tools, aim to purchase one brand so that battery packs can be used across tools.

- Sources of second-hand tools are predominately from household donations, deceased estates, charities and trades persons at end of financial year. Local businesses and charities may be encouraged to donate new items.
- Potential income sources include:
 - Grants – recruit a strong grant writer into the volunteer team.
 - Regular fundraising drives.
 - Establish a sales section within the shed.
 - Sell excess donated items such as screw drivers, garden shovels and hammers.
 - Sell items that have not been borrowed.
 - Identify, restore and sell donated antique items.
 - Strip old tools and sell the metals.

5.4 Life Cycle of Reusable Items

The study looked at the life cycle of commonly borrowed items to understand how often items may need to be repaired or replaced. Many commonly borrowed items such as screw drivers, hammers, trestle tables have long lifecycles due to minimal (if any) moving components. Life cycles of items with motors and moving components generally have reduced life cycles and the life cycle of these items in a Sharing Shed environment is expected to be lower than when compared to a single household user of the same item due to increased usage.

The study acknowledges that it is desirable that a Sharing Shed only receives donations of good quality and functioning tools. Although in some cases it may be viable for a Sharing Shed to accept old tools for the purpose of stripping and selling metals or parts, or for repairing for reuse where practicable.

The study also acknowledges the lifecycle of items is largely in the hands of the user(s). How the item is used, cleaned, maintained and stored for example.

Table One: Estimated minimum life cycle for common loan items with regular usage

Item	Maintenance	Frequency	Minimum Expected Life ¹
Lawn Mower – Fuel & Electric	General clean & check over	After each loan	5 + Years (Fuel)
	Full engine service & blades	Quarterly	3 + Years (Electric)
Pressure Cleaner	General clean & check over	After each loan	4 + Years
	Test & tag	Quarterly	
Trimmers – Fuel & Electric	General clean, re-line & check over	After each loan	5 + Years (Fuel)
	Full engine service	Quarterly	3 + Years (Electric)
Drills	General check over	After each loan	3 + Years
Electric saws	General clean & check over	After each loan	4 + Years

¹ Lifecycle of batteries used for electric tools estimated 1-3 years. I.e., tools may have longer lifecycle than appliance.

Item	Maintenance	Frequency	Minimum Expected Life ¹
Chainsaws	Clean, chain sharpen & check over	After each loan	5 + Years (Fuel) 3 + Years (Electric)
	Full engine service, chain replacement if required	Quarterly	

6 Community Appetite

Face-to-face surveys were undertaken around Werribee, Tarneit and Point Cook to establish community interest in a Sharing Shed. A total of 193 individuals participated in the survey. The surveys were conducted outside of Community Centres, libraries and the Wyndham Park Primary School.

The survey outcomes are summarised below.

- When asked if they would use a Sharing Shed - 57.5% of respondents were interested, 20.7% would not likely use it and the remaining 21.8% were not sure.
- Respondents who were interested in using a Sharing Shed were asked what items they may borrow. Hand tools, power tools and garden tools were the items most likely to be borrowed followed by sporting and camping equipment, kitchen items, office equipment and party items.
- Respondents were asked how far they were willing to travel to a Sharing Shed. Based on feedback from other sharing facilities this question was based on time rather than distance.

59.5% of respondents were only willing to travel for up to 10 minutes, 31.5% were willing to travel between 10-20 minutes, 3.6% would travel more than 20 minutes and 5.4% were not sure.

- The primary mode of transport of respondents were “car – drive myself” – 36.9%, “car – someone else drives” – 26.1%, public transport – 17.1%. The remaining respondents walked, cycled or used “other” forms of transport.

In summary, the survey results found just over half of the respondents indicated they were interested in being a member of a Sharing Shed. Despite the majority of those respondents having access to a car for transport, only 35.1% of respondents were prepared to travel more than ten minutes to a Sharing Shed. This indicates that a Sharing Shed will most likely only service it's local neighbourhood and is less likely to appeal to residents in adjoining suburbs.

In addition to community surveys, consultations were undertaken with members of social enterprises operating out of the WPCC, staff and volunteers at Community Centres and libraries, members of other local charity organisations including Country Women's Association and Rotary and Council staff to establish their support for a Sharing Shed. The consensus was that there is a need for this type of facility and that there would be strong interest in membership, support and volunteer opportunities.

7 Potential Sharing Shed Location

7.1 Site Selection

During the process of identifying potential sites for a Sharing Shed the following aspects were considered:

- Ability to secure the site so as to prevent illegal access, theft or dumping.
- Accessibility, ensuring the site is easily accessed by community members for items to be donated, loaned and returned. This includes car parking spaces, public transport and disability access.
- Space, which may influence the amount and types of items that can be offered for loan.
- Utilities and amenities such as toilets, water and power.
- Potential operating model for the Sharing Shed.
- Surrounding organisations – such as social enterprises and charities - that may provide an opportunity to partner with.
- Community appetite for a Sharing Shed.

The study considered a number of sites across the municipality including existing Community Centres, Shopping Centres, Community Gardens and the Wyndham City RDF. At the time of this study, only one of these sites was found to meet most of the desired features. Although the RDF has the desired infrastructure and the opportunity to divert items directly from landfill as they are disposed of, the location is at this stage outside of the distance survey respondents have indicated a willingness to travel.

A mobile Sharing Shed was also considered. A mobile Sharing Shed could be in the form of a converted shipping container or small truck for example. Feedback from other sharing facilities indicated that there may be considerable difficulties and safety issues in moving a sharing shed around. It is likely that a “delivery” service may better suit a Sharing Shed’s budget and staffing availability. It is encouraged that if a Sharing Shed is established that an option for a delivery service or flexible collections are considered.

The concept of a digital Sharing Shed was explored. This concept is based on a web-based platform for community members to advertise items for loan or items wanted to loan for however it is noted that potential risks associated with this concept are more difficult to mitigate than with a physical Sharing Shed and is therefore not considered to be a suitable option at this time.

7.2 Wyndham Park Community Shed

The Wyndham Park Community Shed (WPCS) was found to be the most suitable location for a Sharing Shed at this time for the reasons outlined below.

Existing Infrastructure

- The WPCS has a stand-alone building suitable for the operations of the Sharing Shed. The WPCS have previously indicated a desire to establish a Tool Shed in this building. The building has a floor space of approximately 44.5m² and a loft area provides approximately 20m² of additional floor space. The building is secure, powered and provides direct access from the carpark.

- This building is currently used by the WPCS for storage. Set-up costs for the Sharing Shed allows for moving stored items to an alternative area at WPCS and a fit-out of the building to meet the needs of storing and maintaining loan items.

Photos: Stand Alone Building at WPCS



Building exterior



Building interior

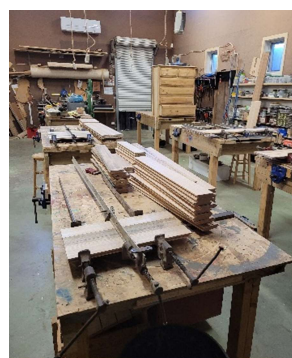
Potential Partnerships and Opportunities

- The WPCS has indicated their desire to establish or collaborate with a Tool Library or Sharing Shed at this site.
- The WPCS already has strong relationships established with local charities such as the Country Women's Association and Rotary Club who will be engaged in establishing and operating the Sharing Shed.
- There are a number of social enterprises and initiatives operating out of the WPCS facility offering a multitude of opportunities for workshops, repairs of broken or faulty items and upcycling of some items that have reached the end of their life cycle. Currently within the WPCS there is a Repair Café, a sewing group, a bicycle repair workshop, a metal workshop, a wood turning workshop, a pottery group, 3D printing and raised garden beds initiative from which vegetables are donated to the Foodbank operating out of the neighboring Wyndham Park Community Centre.

Photos: Examples of Workshops Currently at WPCS



Bicycle Repair Workshop



Wood Workshop



Metal Workshop

Location and Local Community

- The WPCS is highly visible and accessible. It is located alongside the Wyndham Park Primary School, the Glen Orden Reserve and the Wyndham Park Community Centre (home to Werribee's Little Buddies Toy Library and other community initiatives such as Foodbank). The site has ample car parking space. There is also a bus stop nearby providing access to the WPCS by public transport.
- Many homes in the area surrounding the WPCS are older homes that potentially require more ongoing maintenance than newer homes in other suburbs. Furthermore, many new Australians are settling in the local area and anecdotal evidence suggest many of these new residents are house proud but may not have tools and equipment to maintain their homes to their desired standard. The Sharing Shed will provide access to tools to assist in home maintenance.

Location of Potential Sharing Shed Building at WPCS



8 Cost Benefit Projections

The following cost benefit projection is based on a not-for-profit volunteer led and operated Sharing Shed in partnership with the WPCS opening two days per week for a maximum of four hours per opening. Specific days and hours would be established through direct community consultation and member feedback. The Sharing Shed will open 48 weeks per year.

8.1 Cost Projections

Management at WPCS have indicated that although they can assist in the fit-out and establishment of the Shed (in-kind) they would require a project manager to be employed to oversee the start-up of the Shed. The project officer would be responsible for coordinating the fit-out of the proposed building, promoting the shed, fundraising, donation drives, inventory, webpage design, volunteer recruitment, facilitate the election of management committee, development of procedures and manuals, engaging local businesses and charities and

membership drives. It is anticipated the project officer would be required for between 0.5-0.7 EFT over approximately 12 months by which time the Shed should be established, roles and responsibilities in place, ready to be volunteer managed and operated.

The three major financial outlays during the first year of the Sharing Shed will be the fit-out of the proposed building, wages associated with the project officer and computer and communications – mobile phone, laptops and printer. Costs associated with computer and communications equipment are based on three laptops, one mobile phone and one printer – all refurbished.

Other costs will include software subscriptions, maintenance items (such as fuel, oils, lubricants, trimmer line, chainsaw chains) and test and tag equipment and training. It is anticipated that maintenance costs will increase after the first year in line with increased memberships and increased use of items. Where possible, donations of maintenance items will be sought.

It is noted that the driveway is pebbled. Optional costings for concreting the driveway to improve access has been provided in Table Two.

As the Sharing Shed would be established in conjunction with the WPCS the Shed would be covered under their current Public Liability insurance. Additional insurance may be required for contents – this has been allowed for. It is AEC's understanding that insurance is not required in relation to accidents or injuries occurring off-site as a result of using a loaned item. A membership waiver form will be required to be completed by all members at the time of joining the Sharing Shed.

Table Two: Cost Projections Years 1-2²

	Year 1	Year 2
Start Up Costs		
Fitout (Shelving, storage, relocate items currently in building)	\$ 10,000	
Insurances	\$ 980	
IT - Laptops, Phone, Printer	\$ 1,800	
Sub-Total Start Up Costs	\$ 12,780	
Operational Costs		
Project Officer (0.5 - 0.7 EFT) - 12 Months	\$ 57,000	
Utilities - Power, Water - \$15 per opening hour	\$ 5,760	\$ 5,760
Subscriptions (Software, Webpage, etc.)	\$ 700	\$ 700
New Loan Equipment (dependent on demand and income)	\$ 4,000	\$ 6,000
Maintenance Supplies (fuel, oils, chains etc.)	\$ 5,400	\$ 13,500
Training - Test & Tag (x2)	\$ 1,100	
Test & Tag Equipment (x1)	\$ 1,395	
Other Office Supplies / Sundry	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,800
Tea/Coffee/Milk - volunteer supplies	\$ 240	\$ 240
Phone (basic mobile phone plan)	\$ 380	\$ 380
Sub-Total Operational Costs	\$ 77,775	\$ 28,380
Total Costs	\$ 90,555	\$ 28,380
Additional but Optional - concrete driveway	\$ 14,000	

² New loan equipment budget will be influenced by income.

8.2 Income Projections

Income will be derived from membership fees, grants and fundraising activities. It is anticipated membership income in the first year would be in the range of \$5000 - \$8500 based on 100 memberships and fees of \$50-\$85 per annum.

The scope of this project cannot estimate the potential income from grant and fundraising activities.

8.3 Benefits

The benefits of a Sharing Shed support the objectives of Wyndham's *Waste and Litter Strategy* and the *Resilient Wyndham Strategy*.

Sharing Sheds play an important role in moving away from a "buy – use – throw away" linear economy towards a circular economy where the community is encouraged to continually reuse and recycle rather than discard.

It is difficult to quantify the potential environmental benefits of the Sharing Shed as there is no data available specific to Wyndham City Council and the purchase and disposal behaviours of its residents with regards to items to be made available through a Sharing Shed. It is known however, that a Sharing Shed saves resources and reduces waste to landfill. It is estimated that 250 donated items could save up to 1 tonne of landfill waste and 1,100 items loaned out equates to approximately 4 tonnes of new products that did not have to be manufactured³.

From a social benefit perspective, Sharing Sheds are a community resource, an inclusive initiative where anyone from the community can be involved through membership and/or volunteering. By sharing items, ideas, knowledge and time members, volunteers and donators can be part of an active community while reducing their financial costs and contributing to positive environmental outcomes.

9 Risks and Mitigations

A number of risks associated with a Sharing Shed have been identified and outlined below.

Lack of Quality Donations

The economy is flooded with cheap and poor-quality items manufactured to appeal to a throw-away society. The success of a Sharing Shed is largely hinged on the donations of good quality items and adequate supplies of those items.

Mitigation strategies

- establish effective donation drives to encourage residents to de-clutter and donate unused items.
- ensure donations can be easily dropped off to the Sharing Shed.
- develop guidelines for receiving donations that include the types of items that can/cannot be donated and what are the minimum standards for donated items.
- establish strong partnerships with local charities and businesses that may be able to donate high demand items such as pressure washers and mowers.
- establish strong lending system to ensure members return items.

³ IWTL Impact Statement 2019

Low Membership

A large membership base will provide partial income to assist in covering costs associated with operating the Sharing Shed. A large membership also keeps items circulating and reducing unnecessary purchases in the broader community.

Mitigation strategies

- establish strong promotional campaigns.
- provide affordable membership fees – including concessions.

Lack of Volunteers

Not-for-profit initiatives rely heavily on a strong team of volunteers. A lack of volunteers could impact all aspects of the Sharing Shed such as opening hours, maintenance, customer service and fundraising.

Mitigation strategies

- establish appealing recruitment programs.
- create exciting and appealing workspaces for all volunteers irrespective of skills or experience.
- allocate a dedicated volunteer coordinator.
- implement volunteer agreements and volunteer training manuals.
- design flexible shift plans.
- encourage skilled volunteers to train and/or mentor others.
- facilitate social gatherings outside of volunteer time/space.

Insufficient Income

Income to cover operating and other expenses associated with the Sharing Shed will be derived largely from memberships, grants, donations, sales and fundraising activities.

Mitigation strategies

- recruit strong grant writers and fund-raising heroes into the volunteer team.
- implement systems to continuously review income and expenses and adapt to meet needs.
- establish strong partnerships with other initiatives and charities to minimise expenses.

Injuries or Damage

Injuries or damages to equipment within the Sharing Shed should be avoided.

Mitigation strategies

- implement volunteer training activities and manuals.
- implement clear procedures, roles and responsibilities for maintenance and repairs.
- implement hazard identification checklists, actions, incident reporting as appropriate.

Injuries or damages to equipment while an item is on loan should be avoided.

Mitigation strategies

- develop member waiver form and ensure members sign waiver upon joining.
- Offer workshops for safe handling and use of equipment
- provide user manuals where possible.
- do not loan items known to be faulty or damaged.

Illegal Dumping, Vandalism, Theft

Lending facilities can be the target of illegal dumping, theft and vandalism.

Mitigation strategies

- install security systems such as CCTV, locks, fences.

Appendix One: Sharing Shed Examples

Library/Shed Name & Location	Organisation Structure		Inventory Types					Opening Information		Annual Membership
	Non-for-profit	Volunteer Run	Tools	Kitchen / Domestic	Toys / Games	Sports / Outdoors	Other	Days Per Week	Hours Per Opening	
Ballarat Tool Library Ballarat VIC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2	\$33 - \$77
Brunswick Tool Library Brunswick East VIC	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	✓	2	4	\$50 - \$85
Carlton Kitchen Library ⁴ Carlton VIC	✓	✓	×	✓	×	×	×	1	3	\$20 - \$50
Little Buddies Toy Library ⁵ Werribee & Point Cook VIC	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	3	2 - 4	\$40 - \$85
Canberra Community Toolbox ⁶ Watson ACT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	3	\$22 - \$99
Inner West Tool Library Petersham NSW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	3	\$50 - \$75
Share Shop Newcastle Hamilton NSW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	2	\$52
Sydney Library of Things North Sydney NSW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	3	\$85 - \$115
Toolo ⁷ Katoomba NSW	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	2	3 - 4	\$99 - \$125
Gold Coast Tool Library Robina QLD	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	3	\$50 - \$75
Brisbane Tool Library Inc Brisbane QLD	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	4	\$65 - \$125
Sharing Shed Inc – Salisbury Qld (Permanently Closed)	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A

⁴ Carlton Kitchen Library operates under not-for-profit incorporated organisation - Cultivating Community. Due to Covid, the library remains closed to visitors and instead, volunteers deliver loan items on Fridays up to 10km from Carlton.

⁵ Little Buddies Toy Library opening sessions are partially funded by Wyndham City Council to ensure all sessions open. The session coordinator is supported by a team of volunteers. All memberships include a \$50 Volunteer Incentive Bond with all members expected to volunteer three x two-hour sessions every 12 months.

⁶ Canberra Community Toolbox is being supported by a registered environmental charity - SEE-Change - during its pilot phase.

⁷ Toolo is a registered charity.

