

Kilchoan Community Shed

Sharing Skills in a Social Space

Vision, Aims and Objectives

Vision

To create a welcoming, inclusive space where women and men of all ages and backgrounds (our community) come together to :

- share and thereby help build individual skills to create, make, craft, re-use, recycle, repair etc.
- build friendships, support each other, and enhance wellbeing
- help develop our community.

One project, conversation, and connection at a time.

Aims

Promote social inclusion and reduce isolation among adults in the local community while building skills and knowledge, reducing waste,

- **Support physical and mental wellbeing** through meaningful activity, peer support, and shared purpose.
- **Encourage lifelong learning and skills sharing** through collaborative workshops, projects, and mentoring.
- **Provide a safe, respectful environment** where everyone feels valued, connected, and empowered.
- **Engage with the broader community** to strengthen local networks and contribute to local development.

Objectives

Run regular hands-on sessions (e.g., woodworking, crafts, knitting, repairing, re-cycling, baking) that encourage collaboration and learning.

- Have regular informal gatherings / drop-ins to foster friendships and reduce loneliness, whether through learning skills or just enjoying a cup of tea.
- Develop partnerships with local health providers, school, charities, voluntary organisations and support services, including creating a referral processes for access to wellbeing resources.
- Create mentoring and peer learning opportunities that celebrate and share individual experience and knowledge.
- Maintain a safe, inclusive, and accessible space that reflects the diverse needs and interests of all members of the community.
- Develop a model that ensure the financial sustainability of the Community Shed