

# SPORTING FACILITY BOOKING SYSTEMS

to support informal sport participation



## ISSUES INFORMAL SPORT GROUPS FACE WHEN BOOKING SPORTING FACILITIES

Accessing facilities is the biggest  
challenge to being physically  
active

Complex  
LGA booking  
systems – hard to  
navigate

'Block booking'  
by sports clubs/  
local government  
– even if facility  
not in use

Public liability  
insurance – often  
requested by local  
governments

No provision  
for adhoc or  
casual bookings  
– (minimum  
time/period  
requested)

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## TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS TO BOOKING CHALLENGES

An innovative booking system allows non-club users access to sporting facilities.  
Here are some innovative examples:

### TENNIS AUSTRALIA'S BOOK A COURT

A central website and app allows casual users to see what local tennis courts are available and book them.



### BOOKSPORTS APP

Technological solutions such as BookSports app are being developed.

They support casual booking across multiple facilities at local authority level.



### FOOTY ADDICTS APP

is a UK based system connecting individuals with informal groups and facilities.

Individuals can book into local informal soccer sessions.



### SCHOOL FACILITIES

are an untapped resource for supporting sport participation.

Technology can enable community access and could work for individual or multi-sports in a local authority area.



### QR CODES AT FACILITIES

are a simple solution to support informal groups.

Scanning the QR code shows people how to book facilities.



## WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO OPEN UP BOOKING SYSTEMS?

# 01

Supports increased levels of physical activity

# 02

Enhances the health and wellbeing of local communities

# 03

Technological solutions accurately track facility usage, types of usage and participation data

# 04

Enhances the capacity of local government, local and state sporting associations to plan future facility development

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