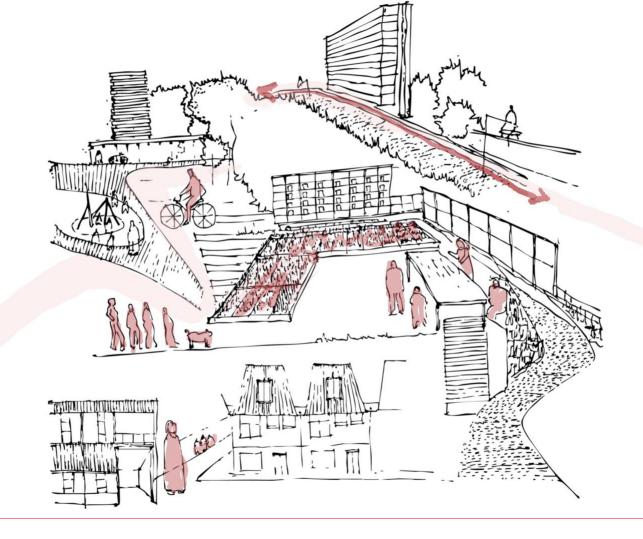
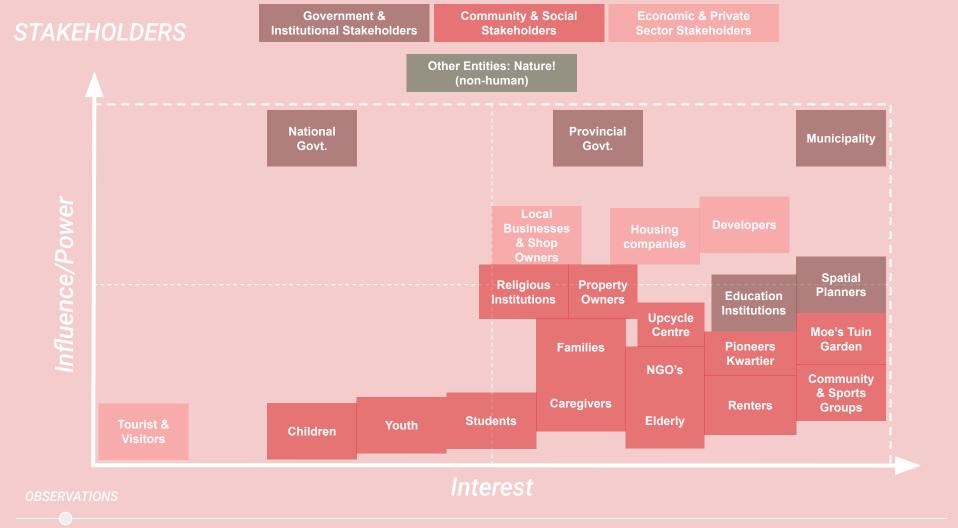
Third Spaces of Care

Nurturing People and Ecologies





SWOT Analysis

STRENGTHS

Diverse (multicultural) community

Accessible area in the city

Available public green spaces

Active individuals and presence of youth demographic

WEAKNESS

Limited improvemen ts from municipality

Isolating streetscapes

Fragmented housing structure

Lack of eyes on the streets

Lack of different forms of public space

Limited community activation

Isolated ommunities

Disconnected public space

THREATS

Gentrification of existing area

Uncertainty in sustained community participation

Lack of sustained public investment

Destruction of the natural environment

OPPORTUNITIES

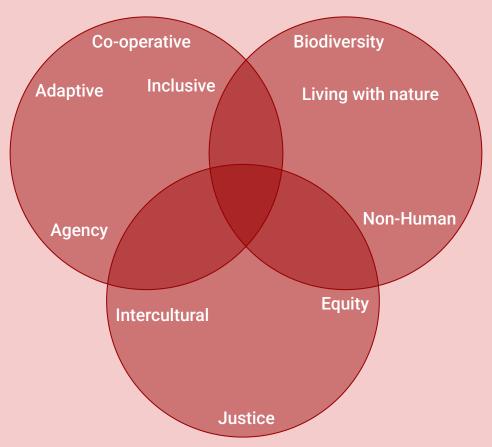
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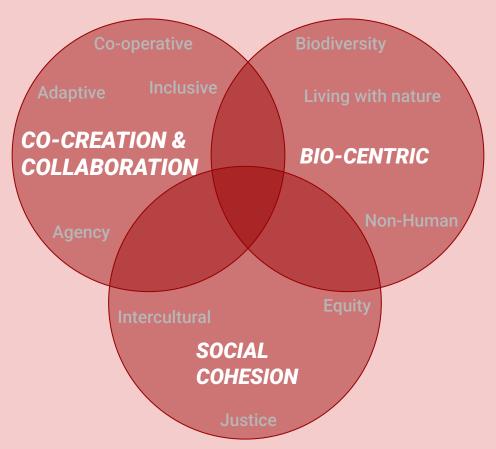
Potential articulation with academia and other institutions

Women, children and elder people in the neighborhood

Potential economic support in some levels of governance

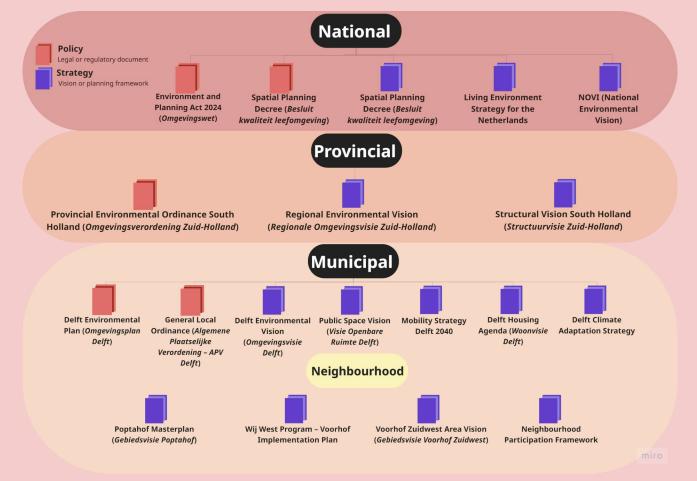
OBSERVATIONS





In 2040, Voorhoof will be bio-centric, socially cohesive, collaborative. To promote/foster empowered communities and regenerative ecologies through co-creating community spaces, revitalisation strategies. To ensure a dynamic/thriving/ just way of life.

Policy



National



Environment and Planning Act 2024 (Omgevingswet)

Enables flexible land uses and temporary permits, making it easier to repurpose vacant plots (e.g. local surface parking or leftover municipal land) for community gardens or pop-up neighbourhood spaces.



NOVI (National **Environmental**

Vision)

Promotes compact, socially inclusive cities with shared communal spaces, supporting multifunctional community and green areas.



Policy

Legal or regulatory document



Strategy Vision or planning framework

support from AI tools. These may not fully reflect the nuance, accuracy, or intent of the original documents.

Provincial



Provincial Environmental Ordinance South Holland (Omgevingsverordening

Zuid-Holland) Sets regional standards for the quality of public and open spaces, encouraging municipalities to incorporate climate-resilient green infrastructure which can double as social space



Regional Environmental Vision (Regionale Omgevingsvisie Zuid-Holland)

Encourages integrated neighbourhood development, combining housing with community amenities and green areas

Municipal



Delft Environmental Plan (Omgevingsplan Delft)

Allows for community uses such as gardens and informal gathering spaces through flexible zoning. However, while permitted, these spaces are rarely prioritised in development and can still face administrative hurdles like permit processes and unclear responsibilities



Delft Environmental Vision (Omgevingsvisie Delft)

Calls for vibrant, liveable neighbourhoods with multi-use public realm (including seating, public and shared indoor/outdoor spaces



Delft Housing Agenda (Woonvisie Delft)

Encourage new developments to include social plinths (community or amenity spaces at ground-floor), shared courtyards, and community gardens



General Local Ordinance (Algemene Plaatselijke Verordening - APV

Delft)

Tries to simplify permitting for neighbourhood-led events, markets, and temporary installations in public or semipublic spaces



Public Space Vision (Visie Openbare Ruimte Delft)

Provides design guidance for safe, accessible, and engaging natural elements, and community interaction zones)

Neighbourhood



Wii West Program - Voorhof **Implementation Plan**

allocates municipal funding and support for community-driven public space improvements, including garden plots, seating areas, small event hubs, community art, or pocket plazas created with resident participation.



Voorhof Zuidwest Area Vision (Gebiedsvisie Voorhof Zuidwest)

identifies underused spaces in the southeast corner as sites ripe for revitalisation and encourages shared green spaces, informal gathering spots, and small community facilities embedded within housing areas.

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- 2.1 Install street furniture such as tables and benches near playgrounds, riversides, and open green areas to promote comfort and social use.
- 2.2 Ensure the availability of **public toilets** in strategic locations for everyday usability and accessibility.

Activate Ground Floors as Spaces for Connection, Care, and Play

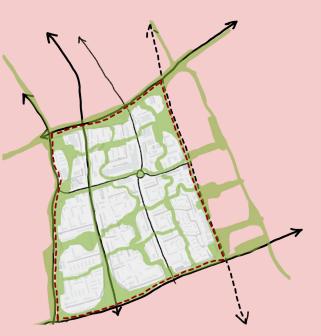
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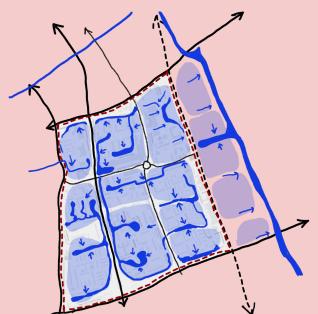
- 3.1 Launch a mobile and pocket libraries to promote literacy and flexible public engagement. 3.2 Create a bike repair and fix-it station to support active mobility and circular practices.
- 3.3 Establish a circular resource center (e.g., tool/kitchen appliance library) to promote sharing economies.
- 3.4 Integrating the frontages of buildings with in-between spaces for play areas for children, parent-friendly mobile cafés, hobby spaces, and swap shops for intergenerational interaction.
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- 4.1 Form a Children and Youth Council to involve young voices in public space planning.
- 4.2 Establish an indoor youth activity center offering creative, social, and learning opportunities.
- 5.1 Provide space for co-creation skill-building workshops (e.g. woodworking, design) through mobile or pop-up workshops with access to materials and collaborative tools. Led by community members for community members and residents.
- 5.2 Integrating local needs into municipal plans
- 6.1 Introduce flower patches and biodiverse plantings to increase ecological and aesthetic value.
- 6.2 Establish green classrooms to support environmental education and outdoor learning for all ages.

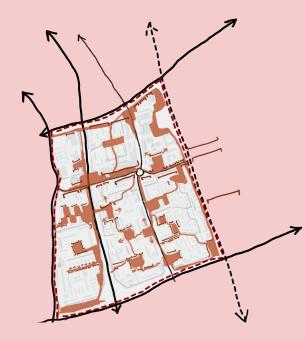
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- 2.2 One toilet facility in every green space.
- 2.3 % of users reporting increased comfort and usability of public spaces
- 3.1 Increase in resident access to shared tools, items or circular services
- 3.2 Increased use of public spaces around buildings
- 3.3 Increased interaction between community members and improved well-being (satisfaction score)
- 4.1 % of youth participants involved in informal and formal planning and design
- 4.2 Youth satisfaction with third-space offerings (annual feedback tool)
- 5.1 % of co-designed elements in public realm interventions
- 5.2 Stakeholder self-reported access and satisfaction in contributing to spatial design catering for maximum user-groups.
- 6.1 Biodiversity index increase (species count in converted spaces)
- 6.2 One excursion per semester in area about biocentric values.
- 6.3 Educational and interactive boards near new flower beds teaching about different species/ insects. Sounds of animals.



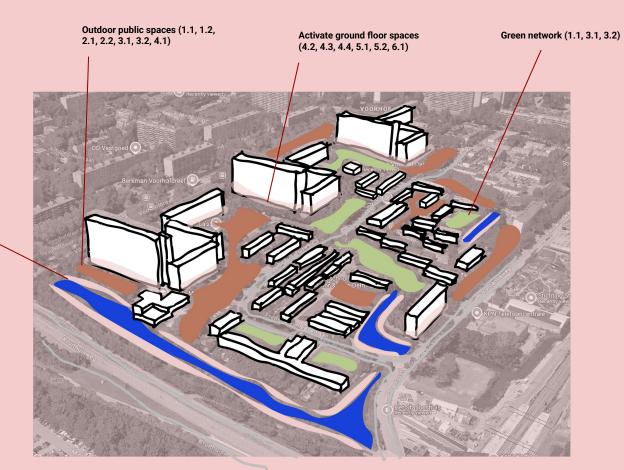
Green Network Connection of Ecological Spaces



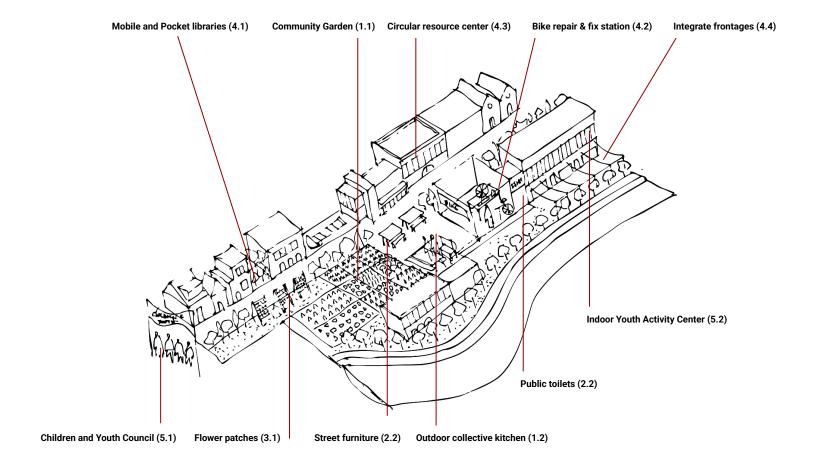
Blue Network
Water catchments

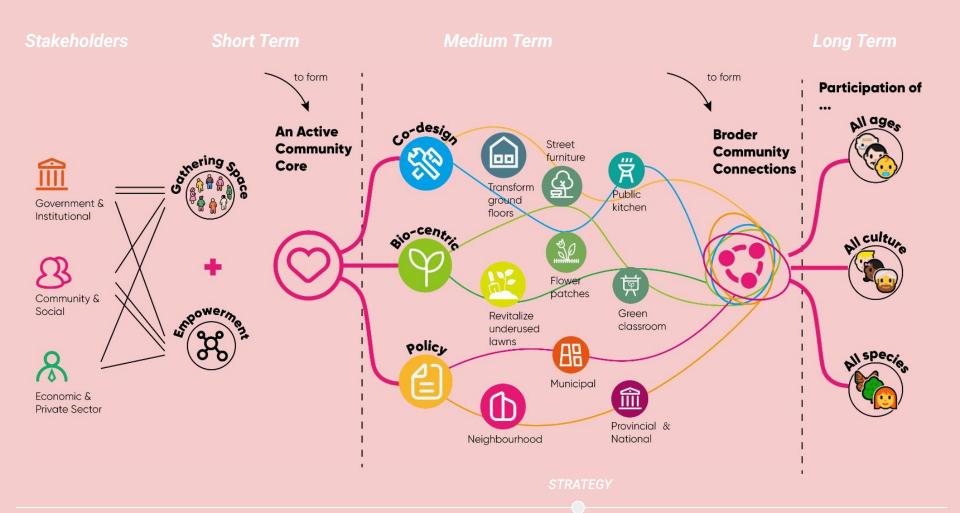


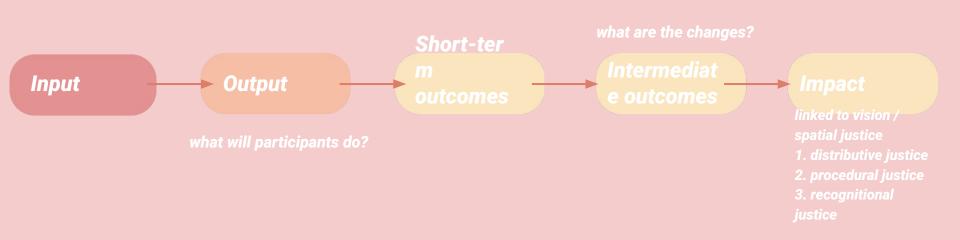
Public Space Network Community Spaces

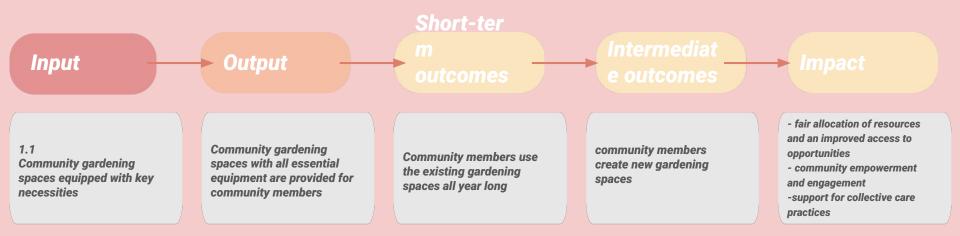


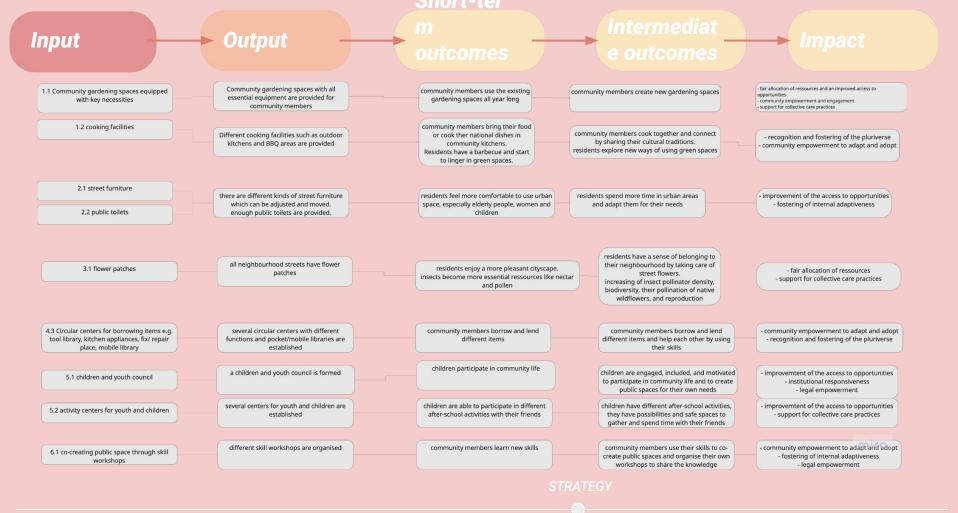
Connection to water elements (1.1, 2.1, 3.2)









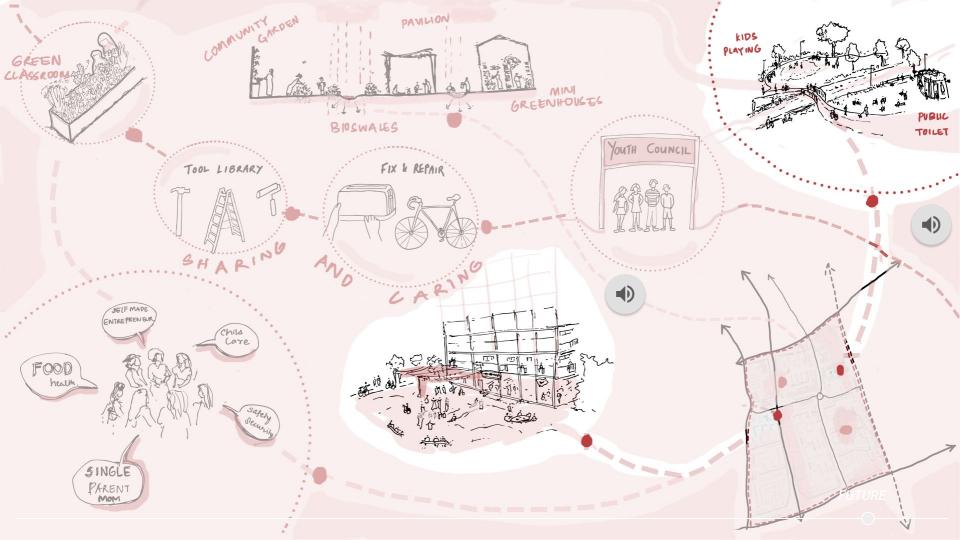


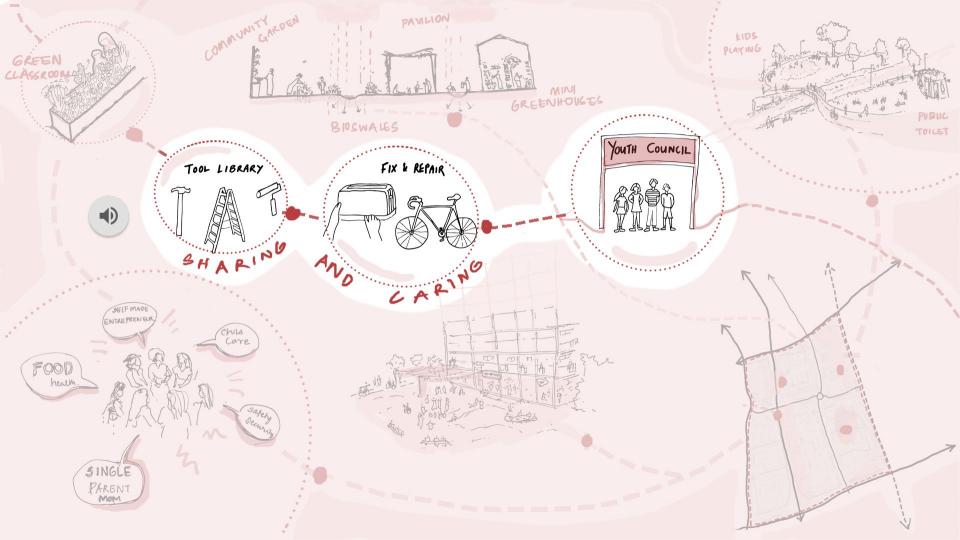
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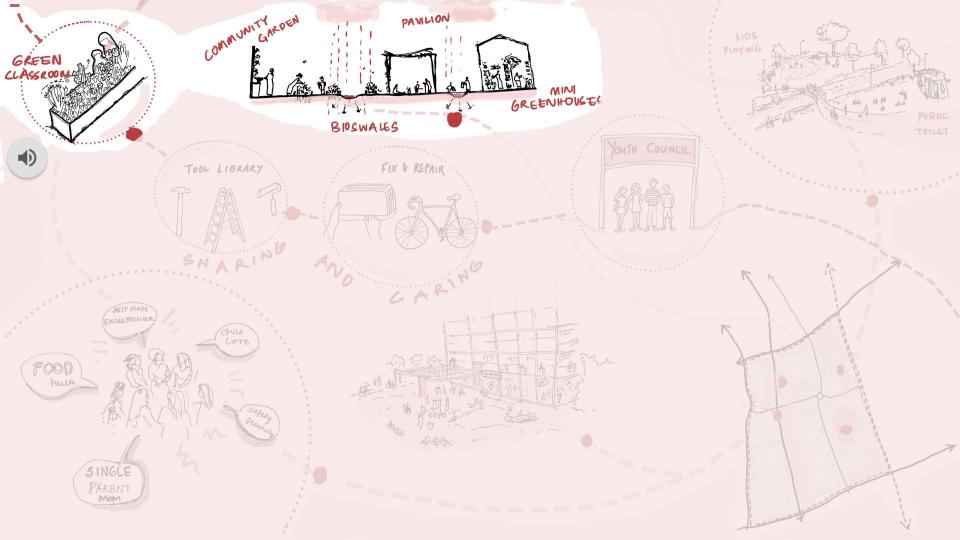
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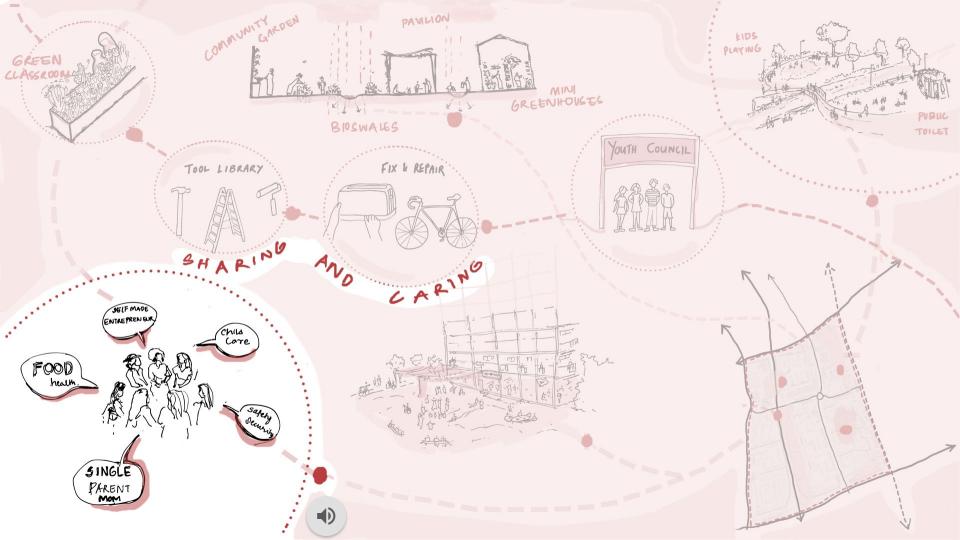
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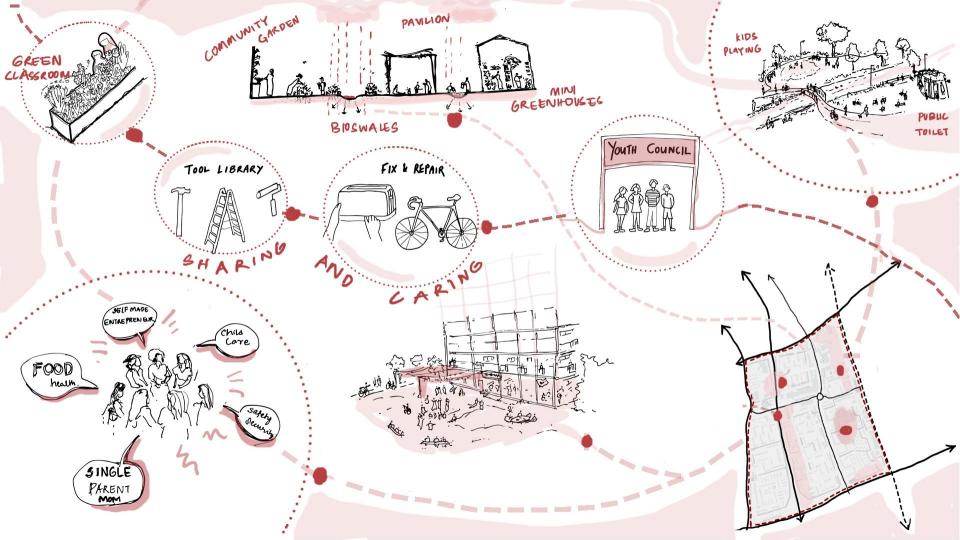
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