The 10 cottages in the Davies Orchard area (circa 1920s) are a remnant of the numerous cottages available to visitors for Bowen Island getaways. Each cottage was evaluated by a structural engineer to assess its physical condition and potential park use.

### Potential Use

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| Museum & office | • Public benefits from events, site tours and volunteer projects  
• Opportunities to work with Bowen Heritage on future projects  
• Provides site presence and supports active public use | Good |
| Short-term rental | • Provides affordable overnight nature experience for regional residents  
• Provides public non-exclusive use of cottages  
• Generates modest revenues for Metro Vancouver | Good |
| Public bookable facility | • Strong support for access to bookable use of cottage was expressed by public  
• Provides public non-exclusive use of cottages  
• Could support park programs and partner programs | Good |
| Nature house | • Poor location (adjacent to commercial area, distant from natural features of Crippen Regional Park)  
• Size and layout not suited to a nature house  
• Desire for this amenity not expressed by public | Poor |
| Storage | • High cost for a storage facility  
• Low benefit to public  
• Desire for this amenity not expressed by public | Poor |
| Landscape display | • High cost for building without access or use  
• Concerns for site safety and after-hours use  
• No distinct architectural features to represent (historical value was in the clustering of cottages, not architecture of individual cottages) | Poor |
| Food services | • Private restaurants located nearby  
• Desire for this amenity not expressed by public | Poor |

### OPPORTUNITY:

CELEBRATE THE HISTORY OF THE ORCHARD COTTAGES EITHER THROUGH RENOVATION OR ADAPTIVE RE-USE, OR THROUGH A REINTERPRETATION OF THE LONG HISTORY OF THIS SITE AS A PLACE TO GATHER, PICNIC, AND ENJOY THE OUTDOORS.