

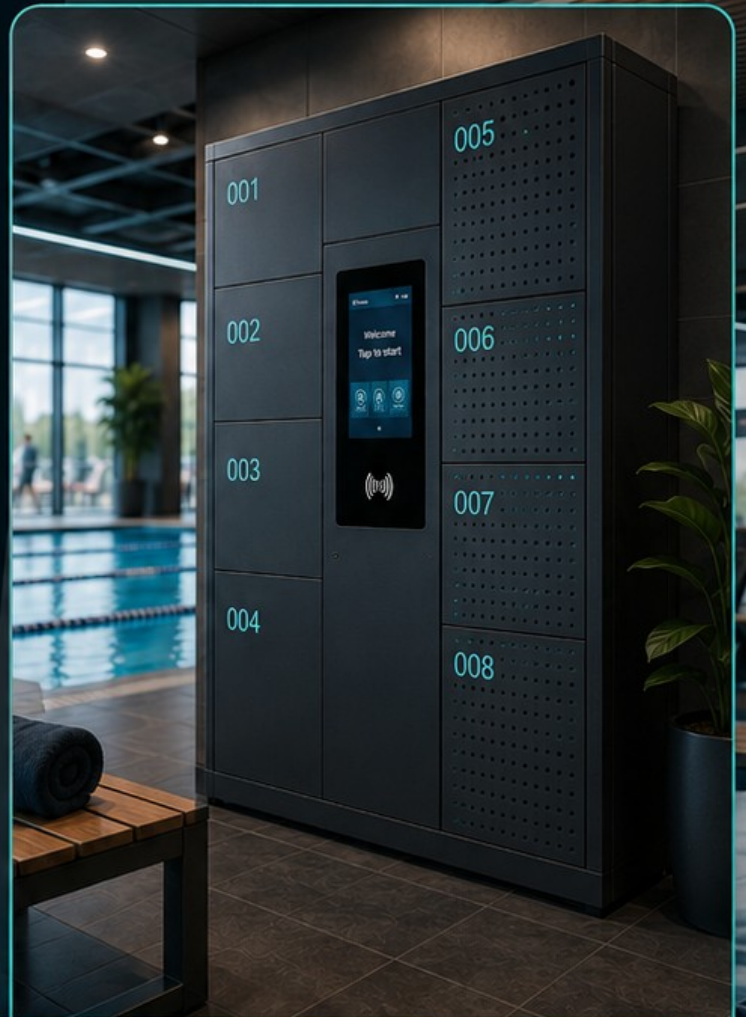
The Leisure Centre Manager's Guide to Reducing Locker Maintenance Costs

Learn how smart leisure lockers reduce maintenance, minimise downtime and lower the whole-life cost of locker ownership.

Traditional locker systems become more expensive to maintain as they age. This guide explains why maintenance costs continue to rise, where hidden costs occur and how modern smart lockers help leisure centres improve reliability while reducing operational costs.

Inside this guide

- ✓ Understand why maintenance costs increase over time
- ✓ Identify hidden maintenance expenses
- ✓ Learn practical ways to reduce downtime
- ✓ Improve locker reliability
- ✓ See how Healthclub Jordaan modernised its locker operation



CASE STUDY

See how Healthclub Jordaan improved reliability and reduced locker maintenance costs with smart locker technology.

Lower costs. Less downtime. Longer locker life.



Reduce maintenance costs



Minimise downtime



Improve reliability



Lower whole-life cost of ownership



Smart lockers for modern leisure centres. Built to last. Designed to perform.

Why Locker Maintenance Costs Keep Rising

Traditional lockers may appear affordable when first installed, but maintenance costs increase throughout their lifespan. Worn locks, damaged doors, lost keys and reactive repairs all contribute to rising operational costs.

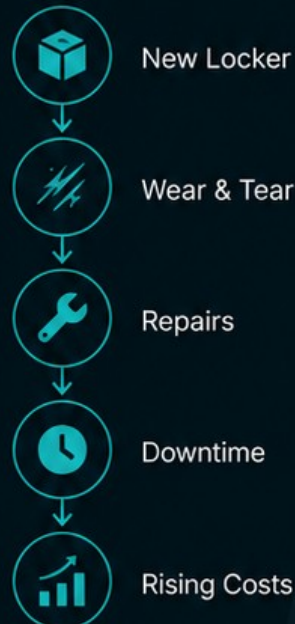
As leisure facilities become busier, even small maintenance issues can create significant operational disruption.



Common Maintenance Challenges

-  Frequent lock replacements
-  Broken doors and hinges
-  Lost keys and replacement costs
-  Coin mechanism failures
-  Locker vandalism and accidental damage
-  Out-of-service lockers
-  Cleaning around damaged lockers
-  Reactive maintenance call-outs

The Maintenance Lifecycle



Did You Know?

Maintenance costs extend far beyond replacement parts.

Every repair also creates additional labour, reduces locker availability and interrupts day-to-day operations.



Key Takeaway

The true cost of locker maintenance includes repairs, downtime, administration and the impact on the member experience.



The Hidden Cost of Traditional Lockers

Many maintenance costs remain hidden because they are spread across different departments and budgets.



Where Costs Add Up

Repairs

Replacing locks, hinges, handles and damaged doors.

Lost Keys

Replacing keys, locks and manually managing access.

Cleaning

Damaged lockers require additional cleaning and maintenance.

Labour

Facilities teams carrying out inspections, repairs and maintenance.

Downtime

Broken lockers reduce availability during busy periods.

Emergency Repairs

Unexpected failures interrupt planned maintenance schedules.



Maintenance Health Check

Ask yourself:

- ☐ How many lockers are currently unavailable?
- ☐ How often are locks or hinges replaced?
- ☐ How much staff time is spent on locker maintenance each week?
- ☐ How often do members report damaged lockers?
- ☐ Are repairs becoming more frequent each year?



If the answer to several of these questions is "Yes", your locker operation may be costing far more than you realise.

How Smart Leisure Lockers Reduce Maintenance

Modern smart lockers eliminate many of the components that make traditional lockers expensive to maintain.

1. Keyless Access
Digital PIN, QR code and RFID access remove the need for physical keys and mechanical key locks.

2. Fewer Moving Parts
Removing traditional locking mechanisms reduces wear and maintenance.

3. Cloud-Based Monitoring
Monitor locker availability and status remotely through one management platform.

4. Real-Time Diagnostics
Identify issues early before they become costly repairs.

5. Modular Components
Replace individual components instead of complete locker systems.

6. Centralised Management
Manage multiple locker locations through a single cloud dashboard.

Traditional vs Smart Lockers	
Traditional Lockers	VPOD Smart Lockers
Physical keys	PIN, QR & RFID access
Coin lock servicing	Keyless operation
Manual inspections	Cloud monitoring
Reactive repairs	Real-time diagnostics
Higher downtime	Improved availability
Limited reporting	Live operational reporting

TRADITIONAL LOCKERS

- ✗ Keys can be lost or copied
- ✗ Locks wear out and need servicing
- ✗ Issues are found late and downtime increases

VS

VPOD SMART LOCKERS

- ✓ Keyless access – no keys to lose or replace
- ✓ Built to last with fewer moving parts
- ✓ Issues detected early with real-time monitoring
- ✓ Higher uptime and lower maintenance costs

Smart lockers reduce maintenance, extend lifespan and keep your leisure centre running smoothly.

Customer Story

Healthclub Jordaan

Healthclub Jordaan upgraded its changing facilities with 188 VPOD smart lockers, replacing traditional lockers with a fully digital self-service solution.

The result was a simpler, more reliable locker operation with significantly less day-to-day administration.



Results

188

cloud-managed smart lockers installed



100% keyless operation



Automatic PIN reset after every use



Reduced reception involvement



Improved locker availability



Better operational visibility



Enhanced member convenience



Why This Matters

By removing physical keys and traditional locking mechanisms, Healthclub Jordaan reduced many routine maintenance tasks while delivering a more modern experience for members.

Future-Proof Your Locker Investment

Whether you're replacing ageing lockers or planning a new leisure facility, investing in smart lockers helps reduce maintenance, improve operational efficiency and lower whole-life ownership costs.

Why VP0D?

- ✓ Commercial-grade smart locker systems
- ✓ Cloud-based management platform
- ✓ PIN, QR and RFID access
- ✓ Remote monitoring and diagnostics
- ✓ Flexible locker configurations
- ✓ Trusted by leading leisure organisations



Book Your Free Locker Maintenance Review

We'll help you:

- ✓ Assess your existing locker operation
- ✓ Identify maintenance savings
- ✓ Calculate whole-life ownership costs
- ✓ Build a business case for upgrading



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