MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 02 October 2026 at 13:02 in the Council Offices, Mitre Street, Abertillery

PRESENT:

Councillors: Tracey Dyson (Chair), Lucy Harmer, Josh Rawcliffe, Ralph Henderson MBE, Barrie Page and Ben-Owen Jones (via video-link).

Officers: Erika Davies (Deputy Clerk) and Molly Jones (Deputy Clerk).

Absent: Steve Bard, Chris Hill, Frankie Baker and Jackson Powell (Youth Representative).

The Chair apologised for the late start, explaining that a previous meeting had overrun.

39. Apologies for absence

Chris Hill, Steve Bard and Jackson Powell.

40. Declarations of interest or dispensations

None.

41. Minutes – 14 August 2026

The Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes were a true and correct record.

42. Public Questions (standing order 3d)

None.

43. Budget Setting

This was the first budget setting meeting for the Committee. After discussion around current and predicted spending, the initial following budget proposals have been allocated for 2027/28. Further discussion and another meeting will be held to refine these figures after more information is submitted.

All figures are exclusive of VAT.

- Christmas Lights Central Contract: £38000
- Christmas Lights Maintenance: £800
- Christmas Lights Lamppost Testing: £0
- Christmas Lights Electricity: £1000
- Christmas Lighting Grants: £5000
- Remembrance Events: £300
- Abertillery War Memorial – Development: £4000
- Abertillery War Memorial – Grounds: £3500
- Loneliness Project: £7000
- Viaduct Run: £6000
- Summer Cinema: £7250 (waiting for costs from Awen for final figure)
- Party in the Park: £15000
- Off the Streets Summer Fete: £4000
- Musical Concerts: £650
- Six Bells Park Bilingual Event: £4000

- Brynithel Rugby Club Event: £3000
- Blue Plaques: £2000
- Job Fair: £0
- Halloween: £3000
- Winterfest: £8000
- Late Night Christmas Market: £3500
- Town Centre Market: £5000

44. Date of Next Meeting

As needed.

The meeting ended at 14:24

Minutes produced by Erika Davies, Deputy Clerk

Signed as a correct record by the Chair……

Dated ……...