



Abertillery and Llanhilleth Community Council (ALCC)

Council Grant Application

(see criteria and process attached before applying)

Name and Address of your group, organisation or project:

Abertillery Aikido Dojo, Wyndam Vowles Community Centre, Crown St, Abertillery NP13 1PJ

Contact name: Julian Morris

Telephone number: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

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What are the aims of your project?

The aims of the Abertillery Aikido Dojo are to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment where people of all ages and abilities can learn and practice the art of Aikido. The project seeks to promote physical health, mental wellbeing, and personal development through structured training sessions that build confidence, discipline, and resilience. A key aim is to make martial arts accessible to the local community, offering opportunities for young people, adults, and families to engage in positive and affordable activities. The dojo also strives to foster respect, teamwork, and cultural awareness by teaching the traditions of Aikido, while strengthening community ties and reducing social isolation. In the long term, the project aims to create a sustainable club that nurtures both beginners and advanced practitioners, ensuring that Aikido continues to thrive in Abertillery as a valuable resource for the community.

How does your project benefit the Abertillery and Llanhilleth area or its residents?

The Abertillery Aikido Dojo provides significant benefits to the residents of Abertillery and Llanhilleth by offering an inclusive and accessible space for physical activity, personal development, and social connection. The project encourages healthy lifestyles through regular exercise and training, improving physical fitness, coordination, and overall wellbeing. It also

supports mental health by promoting focus, stress reduction, confidence, and resilience.

The dojo fosters a sense of community by bringing together residents of all backgrounds, reducing social isolation and encouraging positive interactions. By preserving and sharing the cultural practice of Aikido, the project enriches local life and offers residents a unique learning experience. The club is currently facing financial challenges, particularly with covering venue hire costs, and support would help ensure it can continue to operate sustainably, providing lasting benefits for both individuals and the wider community.

Details of project costs:

A. Project costs met by group (include match funds)	Amount (inc. VAT)
	£
	£
	£
Sub Total	£ 1,000
B. Costs requested from ALCC	Amount (inc.VAT)
Rent	£ 1,000
	£
Sub Total	£
C. Total project costs (A + B) TOTAL	£ 2000

Is your organisation a: Charity/community group/**sports club**/company/not for profit business/other (explain and provide evidence)
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Sports Club.....

Payee: Abertillery Aikido.....

Print Name: Julian Morris

Role in group: Secretary – Abertillery Aikido

Signed: [Signature].....

Date: 24th September 2025.....

Please return this form with any relevant supporting documents (group constitution, financial statements, letters of support etc.) to clerk@abertilleryandllanhilleth-wcc.gov.uk or:

Town Clerk,
Abertillery and Llanhilleth Community Council,
Mitre Street,
Abertillery,
NP13 1AE

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Member Statement

Period 01/02/2025 to 06/05/2025

Member Number

100871

Date of Issue

06/05/2025

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Account Name

Share 1

Opening Balance

£0.00

Date	Source	Payee	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Interest Amount	Transaction Total	Balance
27/02/2025	GAVO 26.02.25						
26/03/2025	Abertillery Aikido March Hall	C R Arnold	80.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
23/04/2025	Abertillery Aikido April Hall	C R Arnold	80.00			80.00	920.00
						80.00	840.00

Closing Balance

£840.00

Payment to be made to Smart Money Cymru Credit Union Limited. Sort Code: 08-90-03 Account Number: 50617838.
Please use your membership number as reference.

This deposit is eligible for protection from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).

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