MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE OF ABERTILLERY AND LLANHILLETH COMMUNITY COUNCIL (ALCC) HELD ON 16 February 2022 at 12:00 in the Council Chamber Mitre Street, Abertillery

PRESENT: Councillors:

Tracey Dyson (Chair), Peter Adamson, Michaela Assiratti Beverley Lucas, Rob Phillips, Allen Rees.

Officers: Steve Edwards – Deputy Clerk

ABSENT:

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND WELCOMES

Apologies from Allen Rees (He did attend from the middle of item 16 below)

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

15. MINUTES OF 3rd February 2022

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

16. Funding Of Bournville Christmas Lights

The Deputy Clerk gave an update on his telephone conversation with Mr Williams the Treasurer of Bournville Community Centre and that the cheque for £1,500 had been banked into the Community Centres Bank Accounts, that no money had been spent on Christmas Lights that year so no receipts could be given. He also had told the Deputy Clerk that there were currently only two members of the Community Centre Committee so no decisions could be made. The Deputy Clerk also mentioned the email that had been distributed by Perry Morgan who was the other member of the Committee.

The Committee **RESOLVED** that the Deputy Clerk write to Mr Williams requesting the \pounds 1,500 be returned because no money had been spent on Christmas Lighting in 2021 and that the Community Centre no longer had a Committee that could function and that if the money was not retuned then the Committee would not pay out any further Christmas Lights funding.

17. Christmas Lighting 2022

There were a number of issues that have to be resolved.

• The Committee **RESOLVED** to extend Christmas lighting along Somerset Street as far as the corner club with at least 4 features on brackets. The Deputy Clerk to

write a letter to all the shopkeepers/business owners along that stretch of Somerset Street explaining the way forward.

- The Committee **RESOLVED** to give an annual grant of £1,500 to Aberbeeg Community Centre for their Christmas Lighting and to remove the Aberbeeg area from the central contract.
- The Committee **RESOLVED** to give an annual grant of £1,500 to Pentref Tyleri for Christmas Lighting in the Cwmtillery area remove the Cwmtillery area from the central contract.
- The Committee **RESOLVED** not to evoke the 2-year extension with Centregreat because (1) There were changes that had to be made to the current specification and (2) Committee members were unhappy with the service that Centregreat had offered during the Christmas 2021 period in dealing with outages. It was also noted that the tree at Warm turn and some sting lights were still up and had not been removed.
- The Committee **RESOLVED** that a new tender exercise for Christmas Lighting will be developed by the Deputy Clerk and Rob Phillips and then agreed via email with the rest of the committee but should include the extension down Somerset Street, a Christmas Tree in Church Street and a formal call out clause for both dangerous installations and lights outage

18. Party in the Park Update

Tracey Dyson gave an update on the progress of the Party in the Park and confirmed it will be held on Sunday 5 June at Abertillery Rugby Club, Abertillery Park

The meeting ended at 1:00 pm

Signed as a correct record by the Chair

NB these minutes are a summary of the proceedings and record of the decisions taken. They are not intended to be a verbatim record.

Minutes produced by Steve Edwards, Deputy Clerk