

# ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Community Committee</b>
<b>Meeting date</b>	<b>18 February 2026</b>
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<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>10</b>

## Update of Fun and Music in the Park 2026

### 1. **Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To update the Community Committee on the organisation of Fun and Music in the Park 2026 and to report on the current ticket sales.

### 2. **Summary**

- 2.1 This report provides an overview of the current organisation of Fun and Music in the Park 2026 and identifies the actions and resources required in the lead-up to the event scheduled for 27 June 2026. In addition, it presents the committee with a summary of ticket sales as of 30 January 2026.

### 3. **Action required**

- 3.1 To receive an update of the Fun and Music in the Park 2026 event.

### 4. **Link to strategic plan and objectives**

- 4.1 KO2 – To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future.

KO3 – To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity.

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**5. Key information and options**

**5.1 Fun and Music in the Park 2026**

Item	Provider	Completed
Venue – Abbey Gardens	Vale of White Horse	✓
Sound, Stage and Lighting	Event Production Services	✓
Event Tent/Green Room	Abingdon Events Partnership	✓
Daytime Entertainment	Let's Bounce Fabric Upcycling Junk Modelling DIY Facepainting Music/DJ Mixing Toddler Ride on Vehicles  Stage KPOP 11:30am-12:30pm Funflix Gymnastics 12:45pm-1:15pm Project Band 1:30pm-2:30pm	✓
Between close down of daytime and opening of the evening Entertainment	Truck stage in 'Beer Garden'  Make Music Abingdon	
Evening Entertainment	Counterfeit Hit – 5pm-6pm The Dung Beatles – 6:30pm-7:30pm The Milestones 8pm-9pm The Bohemians 9:30pm-10:30pm	✓
Food and Drink Vendors	Dutch 'n' Sutch Simply Food John's Greek Van Loose Cannon Brewery The Greatest Little Coffee Box on Earth	✓
Clubs and Societies	TBC	
Water Supply	TBC	
Security	TBC	
Toilets	TBC	
Staffing	TBC	
Medical	CCW Events	✓
Beer Garden Furniture	TBC	
Signage	TBC	
Photography	Martin Wackenier (TBC)	

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Ticket Sales January 2025	Ticket Sales January 2026
0	119

**7. Climate change/green implications**

7.1

**8. Financial/budget implications**

8.1

	Budget	Actual	Difference
SM Ads	£750	£132	£618
Posters/Banners	£450	£332	£118
Leaflets	£300		£300
AEP Ad	£250	£250	£0
Promo Offers	£100		£100
Gazebos	£1,000	771.48	£229
Stage	£16,000	£13,669	£2,331
Lighting	*incl		
Sound	*incl		
Medical	£1,200	£1,250	-£50
Security	£4,800	5540	-£740
Waste	£750		£750
Toilets	£3,150		£3,150
Outdoor Team	£4,000		£4,000
Food for Contractors	£350		£350
Barriers & tower lighting	£1,200		£1,200
Generator	£500		£500
Fuel for generator	£500		£500
Bands	£7,600	8800	-£1,200
Daytime ents	£4,535	3652	£883
Hydration Station	£500		£500
VOWH	£2,000		£2,000
Photography	£300	£300	£0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£50,235</b>	<b>34696.48</b>	<b>£15,539</b>

9. **HR implications**

- 9.1 Project Manager for business and community engagement to organise, brand and promote the event, Outdoor services manager to organise fencing, tower lights and toilets as well as attend on the day with members of team (tbc). Town Clerk will make overall decision on if event goes ahead depending on circumstances out of the council's control.

10. **Supporting papers and appendices**

None