



Frequently Asked Questions

We hope this page answers some of your questions regarding the Little Cheese in Caerphilly.

Don't forget to visit our websites and social media for more information - www.bigcheesecaerphilly.co.uk / www.visitcaerphilly.com / @VisitCaerphilly

If you cannot find an answer to your question on the website, please contact events@caerphilly.gov.uk or call 029 2088 0011.

1. What are the opening hours of the event?

Saturday 2nd September, 9am – 8pm
Sunday 3rd September, 9am – 5pm

2. Is there a charge to enter the event?

No, this event is **FREE** to attend.

3. Are dogs allowed?

Yes, dogs are allowed to attend the event, except for the funfair area.
Guide dogs are permitted everywhere.

4. Is there a Park and Ride?

There is no park and ride to the event, however, there are **FREE** Park & Walk facilities at the following locations:

- Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni y Gwyndy, Pontygwindy Road, CF83 3HG
- St. Martin's School, Hillside, CF83 1UW.

5. What parking is available at the event?

As well as the free Park and Walk facilities listed above, public car parks can be found at the following locations:

- Station Terrace car park (pay-and-display)

- Caerphilly Park and Ride (free)
- Crescent Road car park (pay-and-display)
- Morrisons / Castle Court Shopping Centre (free, maximum stay 3 hours)

Please also see the parking map located on the [Little Cheese website](#) and [Facebook page](#), as well as the [Visit Caerphilly website](#) and social media pages, which includes disabled parking locations and bike rack locations.

6. Do I need to pay to enter Caerphilly Castle?

Yes, charges will apply if you wish to visit the Castle during the event. For ticket prices, go [here](#).

7. Are there any fireworks?

There will be **NO** fireworks at this event. The next firework display will take place following the **River of Light Lantern Parade** on **Saturday 2nd December 2023**.

8. When is the Little Cheese Race?

The Little Cheese race takes place on **Saturday 2nd September** at **10am**. The start of the race takes place on Crescent Road.

To take part, please email meredro@caerphilly.gov.uk or call **Sport Caerphilly** on **07919 627462**.

9. When is the funfair open?

Saturday 2nd September, 9am – 8pm
 Sunday 3rd September, 9am – 8pm

10. Can I hold a stall at the event?

Please email events@caerphilly.gov.uk for all trade enquiries.

11. When and where is the entertainment?

There is live music and entertainment throughout the town centre and an entertainment arena at the rear of Caerphilly Castle. All entertainment programmes are available to view on the Little Cheese website, Visit Caerphilly website, and information will be posted via the Little Cheese and Visit Caerphilly social media pages.

12. Is alcohol allowed?

No alcohol can be brought to the Little Cheese event. Security staff will monitor all entrances and ensure that alcohol is taken away from any visitors who attempt to bring any in. Alcohol may be purchased for on-site consumption from the on-site bars within The Twyn Car Park. There are other

designated drinking areas within the town where you can also enjoy live music.

13. What toilet facilities do you have?

Toilets are located throughout the event site, including accessible toilets.

14. Is there a cash point?

Cash points are located throughout the town along Cardiff Road.

15. Why is there no Big Cheese this year?

The Big Cheese is unable to take place in its usual format because Caerphilly Castle is still unavailable to form part of the event footprint due to continuing development works taking place there.

However, we have listened to our residents' feedback and have expanded the Little Cheese to the rear of the castle to include a funfair and large entertainment arena, along with a number of other activities, including the return of the renowned Little Cheese Race!

The funfair will occupy the Cadw land off Crescent Road at the rear of the castle, but not Owain Glyndwr Fields. Due to the town centre road closures in place, Crescent Road will need to remain open to allow for easier flow of traffic and access to Crescent Road car park. Since Crescent Road will be open during the event, it is imperative to pedestrian safety to keep all entertainment on one side of the road.

In addition, one of our main objectives is to help businesses recover from Covid and boost footfall into our town centres. There will be no hot food concessions on the grassed Cadw side of the event, so as to encourage visitors to spend within the town.

16. I have a question that wasn't answered in this document.

Please email events@caerphilly.gov.uk with any general event enquiries.