

( **LGBT Out in the Bay**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2025**  
**Charity Registration Number 1153064**

**WATERS & ATKINSON**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**  
**THE OLD COURT HOUSE**  
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# **LGBT Out in the Bay**

## **YEAR ENDED 1 April 2025**

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# **LGBT Out in the Bay**

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

The Trustees present their annual report for the year ended 1 April 2025.

### **1. Legal and Administrative Information**

The Charity is known as LGBT Out in the Bay. It is a registered charity, with the registered number of 1153064.

The Charity is governed by a constitution dated 24 July 2013 and its objectives are to promote equality and diversity for LGBT community within the areas of Morecambe and Lancaster, Lancashire.

The Trustees have asked Mr Damien Sissons of Waters & Atkinson to act as the Independent Examiner under the Charities Act 2011.

### **2. Trustees**

The Trustees in office at the end of the year were as follows:

Robert Mee	Chair	
Karen James	Trustee	
Maria Hryniw	Trustee	Appointed 5 August 2024
Liam Sean Carroll	Trustee	Appointed 5 August 2024
Jolanta Cross	Trustee	Appointed 5 August 2024
Hardeep Kang	Trustee	Appointed 5 August 2024

Trustees are people selected from the local area who have also expressed an interest in being involved in the running of the group. All trustees have read the Charity Commission guidance and all are involved in running the charity within the compliance of the Charity Commission.

### **3. Activities**

During the 2024–2025 financial year, LGBT Out in the Bay continued to deliver a broad range of support services and community activities for LGBT+ people across Lancaster, Morecambe and the wider Bay area. The organisation focused on reducing isolation, improving wellbeing, and supporting some of the most marginalised LGBT+ individuals, particularly young people.

Core activities during the year included:

- Delivery of regular LGBT+ youth groups (ages 11–18 and 18–25)
- One-to-one support and counselling
- Community social groups, including arts, crafts and peer-support sessions
- Ongoing organisational development, safeguarding, and volunteer support

Demand for services remained high throughout the year, reflecting continued pressures related to housing insecurity, mental health, and the cost-of-living crisis. Income during the year was generated through a combination of grants, Pride events, fundraising activities, and donations, and was used primarily to support staffing, venue costs, safeguarding, and direct service delivery.

### **4. Policies**

#### **a) Risk Management**

The Trustees regularly review the major risks associated with the charity and have developed an action plan to minimise and effectively manage those risks. Due to this being an LGBT+ charity we continually are needing to improve security and monitor data protection in order to manage the risks to our members.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)**

**b) Reserves**

The charity's principal source of funding includes those of National lottery, Lancaster council, Morecambe town council, Thermos Fisher, Red Rose Recovery, Lancaster University, University of Cumbria, funded by uk government, Lancashire victims services, The Calico Group, Lancashire fire services, Lancaster Bid and Lancaster Brewery. It is the intention of the Trustees that the funds received and raised are used for the good of the LGBT+ community. We held a reserve of £2,485 at the year end.

**5. Financial Review**

Being a small Charity, the accounts have been prepared on the basis of amounts received and paid during the year. The Statement of Assets and Liabilities (on page 4) does however show the amounts owed to, and owing by the Charity at the end of the year.

The Board of Trustees closely monitor spending and income streams on a day to day basis and these are also reviewed at the AGM.

**6. Achievements and Performance**

During the last year we have continued to provide the housing project for 18-25s for LGBTQ+ people called No Labelz.

Our LGBT Out in the Bay project has seen a rise in demand for counselling and 1-2-1 support work – keeping up with demand has been a struggle.

We are continuing with our community project – currently supplying anyone with free breakfast and a brew. Lancaster and Morecambe Prides were delivered with success.

We have sought out more partners to work with us, which makes us more robust in challenging times.

Once again we have raised money to support the projects. We now need to be more strategic and open to new ways of working.

**7. Non-disclosure of key personnel details**

Due to this being an LGBT+ charity and some hate we received at Morecambe Pride and an increased hate within society for our broader family – we now reserve the right to withhold personal information.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Trustee



Date

**Principal Office:**

30-32 Claremont Road

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**LGBT Out in the Bay**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2025**

	<u>Unrestricted</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
<b><u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u></b>				
<i>Income from charitable activities</i>				
Grants	-	87,607	87,607	136,560
Sponsorship	21,057	29,900	50,957	49,680
Other income	51	5,174	5,224	9,899
	<u>21,108</u>	<u>122,681</u>	<u>143,789</u>	<u>196,139</u>
<b><u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u></b>				
<i>Charitable expenditure</i>				
<b>Cost of Providing Services</b>				
<b>(Charitable Activities)</b>				
Staff Wages	-	10,044	10,044	35,494
PAYE and Pension payments	-	2,005	2,005	14,713
Events, Marketing & Promotion	-	48,046	48,046	60,826
Rent & Utilities	-	53,268	53,268	52,235
Travel & Refreshments	-	18,017	18,017	12,142
Insurance	-	2,449	2,449	2,529
Telephone & Internet	-	4,320	4,320	3,762
Sundries	-	1,934	1,934	6,041
Training	-	-	-	1,298
Repairs & IT costs	-	862	862	3,621
Cleaning	-	907	907	730
Loan payments	-	2,240	2,240	5,507
	<u>-</u>	<u>144,092</u>	<u>144,092</u>	<u>198,896</u>
<b>Resources Expended on Managing &amp;</b>				
<b>Governance Costs</b>				
Independent Examination & Accountancy	-	1,923	1,923	1,857
	<u>-</u>	<u>146,015</u>	<u>146,015</u>	<u>200,753</u>
<b><u>NET INCOME / (EXPENSES) FOR YEAR</u></b>	<u>21,108</u>	<u>(23,334)</u>	<u>(2,226)</u>	<u>(4,614)</u>
<b><u>Transfer between funds</u></b>	<u>(21,108)</u>	<u>21,108</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,226)</u>	<u>(2,226)</u>	<u>(4,614)</u>
<b>Balances at the start of the year</b>			<u>4,711</u>	<u>9,325</u>
<b>Balances at the end of the year</b>			<u>2,485</u>	<u>4,711</u>
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Bank			<u>2,485</u>	<u>4,711</u>
			<u>2,485</u>	<u>4,711</u>

**LGBT Out in the Bay**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AS AT 1 APRIL 2025**

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Tangible assets	2,253	2,253
<b>Monetary Assets</b>		
Cash at Bank	2,485	4,711
	<u>4,738</u>	<u>11,173</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Bounce Back Loans	32,585	33,727
Accruals:		
Independent Examiner's Fees	1,248	978
Other	-	103
	<u>33,833</u>	<u>39,702</u>


**NOTE**

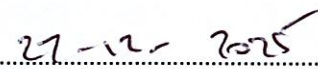
**Fixed Assets**

Items of office equipment, together with all other equipment, are written off in the year of purchase in view of their limited useful life. The annual cost of replacing these items is therefore charged to the Receipts and Payments Account.

Approved and signed on behalf of the Trustees:

  
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 Trustee

  
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 Trustee

  
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 Date

**LGBT Out in the Bay**  
**CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1153064**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of LGBT Out in the Bay**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 1 April 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

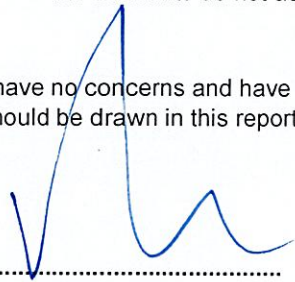
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have found all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

  
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Date

**Waters & Atkinson**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
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