

Stockport



Pride 2022



Annual Report

Introduction

We have been working to promote equality, diversity and inclusion across Stockport - with a focus on the local LGBTQ+ community.

Throughout the pandemic Stockport Pride participated in two online festivals - Global Pride in 2020 and GM Digital Pride in 2021. As restrictions were reduced, we were in a position to hold in-person events again.

Activities

Throughout the past year we have been involved with a number of events - some as attendees and others we organised.

Transgender Day of Remembrance 2021

We planned our first Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil for the end of November. It was a solemn occasion to remember transgender and gender non-conforming people who have lost their lives due to transphobia and violence. Set in the surroundings of Saint Peter's Square in Stockport town centre, it included a speech by a trustee from the transgender charity Sparkle, a reading of the names of the deceased, and a lighting of electronic candles.

The vigil was an opportunity to commemorate those who have lost their lives, highlight the struggles faced today by transgender and gender non-conforming people and for the wider community to show solidarity.



LGBT+ History Month 2022

Every February sees a festival of events throughout the UK celebrating the LGBTQ+ community and their history. Along with events from other local organisations, Stockport Pride delivered a panel discussion, HIV discussion, politics discussion and a history quiz.

Stockport Pride 2022

July saw our largest event so far in Stockport's Historic Market Place.

Throughout the day we had eleven acts performing -



showcasing local and LGBTQ+ talent. Six community organisations got up to speak on stage to promote what they do.

Sixty-nine stalls across the marketplace included forty-two non-profit organisations promoting their services to local LGBTQ+ people.

The parade from Red Rock through Merseyway and up to the Marketplace was attended by hundreds of people - helping increase the visibility of the LGBTQ+ community locally. We had a massive Pride Progress Intersex flag that we carried for the first time in the parade, along with placards designed and created by Lazypins and more by pupils at Alder Community High School in Hyde.

As well as a Family Space that has been facilitated by Proud 2b Parents in Staircase House, we also had a new Quiet Space facilitated by Stockport LGBT+ PLUS Spectrum in Disability Stockport. The Family Space and Quiet Space helped make our event accessible to more people who may otherwise struggle to attend.

Also throughout the day St Johns Ambulance delivered emergency first aid training to 209 people at our event, as part of their campaign to raise awareness of first aid skills to people in Greater Manchester.

Stockport Pride 2022 Volunteer Party

We held a party to show our thanks to the volunteers who helped us deliver Stockport Pride 2022. We invited those who assisted us in 2022 along to a buffet and party where they were presented with thank you cards and certificates in recognition of the work they contributed.

Attending the Manchester Pride 2022 Parade

With the placards from the Stockport Pride 2022 Parade, supplied by Alder Community High School and Lazypins, we decided to walk in the Manchester Pride Parade. This was attended by a number of our trustees, non-trustee committee members, volunteers and members of the public. We walked alongside Forward Stockport LGBT+ and Stockport LGBT+ PLUS.

Walking in the Manchester Pride Parade was



an opportunity to help raise the profile of Stockport's LGBTQ+ community, and promote the work of the borough's LGBTQ+ groups.

Halloween Party 2022

We collaborated with Forward Stockport LGBT+ and Stockport LGBT+ PLUS to plan the event at CafeSQ. It included a costume competition, pin the eye on the monster and a themed quiz.



The Halloween Party was an opportunity for the borough's LGBTQ+ organisations to work together, and for the community to have a bit of fun in a safe space where they can be themselves - which they may not feel able to do so otherwise.

Attending Conferences

Conferences are a great opportunity to share knowledge, discuss best practice and network with similar organisations to our own.

We sent two trustees to the Manchester Pride Conference, which took place in March in The Lowry, Salford Quays. It brought together a number different people together from a range of LGBTQ+ and other organisations in the region. Topics covered included activism, accessibility, young people and tackling racism.

The UK Pride Organisers Conference took place in Cardiff in October. We sent two trustees and one non-trustee committee member to attend. It was a chance for us to share our experiences of the latest Pride season, and look at how things can be improved for the future. Topics covered included HIV and sexual health, accessibility, and managing protests.

History and Archiving

We had a meeting with Stockport Library Service and Stockport LGBT+ PLUS where we discussed and reviewed the archives currently held about the local LGBTQ+ community. It was agreed to organise another meeting later in the year and to submit more items to the local archive.

Following Stockport Pride 2022, we had a meeting with Stockport Museums where we donated a number of items from this year's event. The donation included a number of placards, posters, programmes and photographs. These items would be used to help educate people about the local LGBTQ+ community.



We have also been asking members of the public for help in identifying a photograph discovered in a publication from the 1980s of an LGBTQ+ rights march.

Financial Report

Stockport Pride's accounts cover the period 1 November 2021 to 31 October 2022.

The accounts have been calculated on a cash basis, and figures stated below have been rounded to the nearest pound.

Funds last year end	£	867
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Receipts

Advertising	£	1,000
Donations	£	2,233
Event Delivery Partners	£	117
Grants	£	9,958
Sponsorships	£	5,800
Stall Fees	£	2,152

Total Receipts	£	21,260
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Expenditure

Accessibility	£	550
Banner Printing	£	875
Conferences	£	203
Consumables	£	130
Contractor	£	1,000
Decorations	£	78
Donations	£	1,209
Equipment	£	47
Equipment Hire	£	126
Event Delivery Partners	£	720
Flags	£	287
Health & Safety	£	103
Insurance	£	1,188
Licensing	£	398
Merchandise	£	732
Payment Processing	£	312
Performers	£	2,875
Photography	£	365
Prizes	£	12
Publicity	£	674
Raffle	£	44
Refreshments	£	386
Security	£	737
Stationary	£	54
Telephone	£	188
Travel Expenses	£	260
Venue Hire	£	2,074
Website & Email	£	159

Total Expenditure	£	15,785
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Funds this year end	£	6,342
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Sponsorship

We found a lot of interest in supporting our first large-scale in-person event since the start of the pandemic.

We are extremely grateful to have received sponsorship from eleven local organisations - Music Magpie, Sky, Vernon Building Society, Stockport Homes Group, Adoption Counts, Ted Darling, Mosscafe St Vincent's Housing Group, HURST, BASF, Sector3, and Lynx Taxis.



Grants

We were successful in applying for grant funding from the National Lottery Awards for All, Stockport Homes Community Fund and Arnold Clark Community Fund.

Stallholders Fees

On the day of Stockport Pride 2022, there were sixty-nine stalls - including forty-two non-profit organisations and twenty-seven commercial stalls.

Their stall fees go towards the hire of Stockport's Historic Market Place and the costs involved in the overall running of the event.



Advertising

As part of Stockport Pride 2022 we produced a printed programme. It included lists of the stallholders, performers, as well as details of the parade route and event map. The programme also included a list of flags and an explanation of the different sections of the LGBTQ+ community.

Seven organisations took up advertising space in the programme, alongside adverts for our sponsors.

Donations and Raffle Sales

In March we made a donation to the Ukraine appeal run by European Pride Organisers Association. The LGBTQ+ community in Ukraine faces additional challenges in staying safe due to the Russian invasion. The money goes to Kyiv Pride and Kharkiv Pride, and can be used by either organisation to support LGBTQ+ individuals anywhere in Ukraine.



On the day of Stockport Pride 2022 we held a raffle, thanks to prizes that were donated by a number of local organisations. In total £1,142.58 was raised on the day with the raffle and other bucket donations.

The proceeds of our raffle and bucket donations at Stockport Pride 2022 were distributed to three organisations that work with the LGBTQ+ community in the borough - The Proud Trust, Forward Stockport LGBT+ and Stockport LGBT+ PLUS. Each of the three organisations received £380.86.



Future Plans

The Stockport Pride committee are already making plans for future activities.

We have finalised plans for our second Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil for the end of November, which again will include a solemn reading of the names of those that we have lost and a lighting of electronic candles.

LGBT+ History Month is coming up in February, and we are preparing to deliver a number of events. The events we are aiming to hold during the month include a talk about LGBTQ+ history and a history quiz. We are also planning to start a project recording the personal experiences of local LGBTQ+ people.



Our main festival is booked in to take place on Sunday 30 July 2023. We are currently considering what ways in which our main event can be improved based on feedback from previous years and advice from the conferences we attended.

We will be continuing to look at what other events and projects we could plan to promote equality, diversity and inclusion within the LGBTQ+ community.

"Great atmosphere from the beginning and very enjoyable"

"It was amazing day"

"Great to see such a spread of people out enjoying Stockport"

"It just felt like a really positive and friendly atmosphere"







Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Nov-21		31-Oct-22

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Advertising	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Donations	2,233	-	-	2,233	258
Event Delivery Partners	117	-	-	117	-
Grants	-	9,958	-	9,958	250
Sponsorships	5,800	-	-	5,800	-
Stall Fees	2,152	-	-	2,152	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	11,302	9,958	-	21,260	508
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	11,302	9,958	-	21,260	508
A3 Payments					
Accessibility	-	550	-	550	-
Banner Printing	875	-	-	875	-
Conferences	203	-	-	203	220
Consumables	130	-	-	130	-
Contractor	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Decorations	78	-	-	78	-
Display Materials	-	-	-	-	34
Donations	1,209	-	-	1,209	200
Equipment	47	-	-	47	-
Equipment Hire	126	-	-	126	-
Event Delivery Partners	720	-	-	720	-
Flags	287	-	-	287	-
Health & Safety	103	-	-	103	30
Insurance	-	1,188	-	1,188	519
Licensing	214	185	-	398	-
Merchandise	34	698	-	732	-
Online Meetings	-	-	-	-	168
Payment Processing	312	-	-	312	-
Performers	826	2,049	-	2,875	160
Photography	134	231	-	365	-
Prizes	12	-	-	12	-
Publicity	72	602	-	674	-
Raffle	44	-	-	44	-
Refreshments	236	150	-	386	-
Security	-	737	-	737	-
Stationary	54	-	-	54	43
Telephone	188	-	-	188	-
Travel Expenses	10	250	-	260	-
Venue Hire	30	2,044	-	2,074	-
Website & Email	159	-	-	159	159
Sub total	6,102	9,683	-	15,785	1,533
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,102	9,683	-	15,785	1,533
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,201	275	-	5,476	1,025
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	867	-	-	867	1,892
Cash funds this year end	6,067	275	-	6,342	867

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account Surplus 2021/2022	6,067	275	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,067	275	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
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			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Stephen Bowyer	20/11/2022
	Ashley Walker	20/11/2022