

Stockport



Pride 2023



Annual Report



Introduction

Over the past year Stockport Pride events have continued to work towards promoting equality, diversity and inclusion in the local LGBTQ+ community.

This report refers to the period from November 2022 to October 2023.

Activities

Aside from our large one-day festival, we have been involved in a number of other activities throughout the year.

Transgender Day of Remembrance 2022

After our first successful first event for Transgender Day of Remembrance in 2021, we returned with another one in CafeSQ in the town centre.

It was a solemn event of reflection as we lit LED candles and read the names of the transgender people who lost their lives over the past twelve months. During the event we raised £70.71 for local transgender charity Sparkle.

LGBT+ History Month 2023

February is LGBT+ History Month. During the month we ran an LGBTQ+ history quiz in Stockport Central Library. A planned history talk was postponed, due to health reasons. Other events took place in Stockport that were arranged by other local organisations, while we produced a poster to publicise the programme of events happening in Stockport throughout the month.

Stockport Pride 2023

At the end of July we returned to Stockport Market Place with our annual Pride celebration. This year it was supplemented by the addition of activities on the Underbanks.

The festival included thirteen acts on stage and sixty-three stalls throughout Stockport Market Place.

For those attending Stockport Pride 2023 with young



children, a Family Space was available that was being facilitated by Proud 2b Parents. And a Quiet Space was provided for those who may have felt overwhelmed by the crowds in Stockport Market Place during the festival.

The Stockport Pride 2023 Parade took a new route as part of the event – walking from the Underbanks, through Merseyway, past RedRock, down Bridgefield Street, and up to Stockport Market Place. The Parade helped increase the visibility of the local LGBTQ+ community. It included a large Pride Progress Intersex flag and placards designed with thanks to Lazypins.



Everything went smoothly thanks to the work of sixteen volunteers on the day and ten committee members who worked all year to organise the day.

Rainbow Halloween Party & Volunteer Celebration

A Halloween Party has become a yearly tradition in collaboration with local LGBTQ+ groups, Stockport LGBT+ Plus and Stockport Forward LGBT+. The spooky-themed evening in CafeSQ included live music, a DJ, karaoke and competitions.

During the evening we said thank you to the volunteers from Stockport Pride 2023, including handing out certificates and thank you cards.



Conferences

As the Pride season drew to a close a number of conferences were taking place relevant to LGBTQ+ Pride organisers. These gave an opportunity to network with other event organisers and share best practice.

In October, we sent a delegate to the European Pride Organisers Association conference in Cardiff, which included workshops on accessibility at Pride and a registration system for parade participants.

In November, two delegates were sent to Liverpool for the UK Pride Organisers Network conference, which included working with the police, creating safe spaces, representation of people of colour and funding.



Financial Report

Stockport Pride's accounts cover the period 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2023.

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

Funds last year end	£	6,342
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Receipts

Advertising	£	140
Donations	£	1,249
Event Delivery Partners	£	240
Grants	£	3,977
Refunds (Banners)	£	175
Refunds (Prizes)	£	20
Sponsorships	£	11,550
Stall Fees	£	1,980

Total Receipts	£	19,331
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Expenditure

Accessibility	£	889
Advertising	£	28
Banners	£	1,181
Conferences	£	1,343
Consumables	£	5
Contractors	£	750
Cleaning	£	286
Decorations	£	102
Donations	£	521
Equipment	£	137
Equipment Hire	£	3,171
Event Delivery Partners	£	500
First Aid	£	275
Flags	£	180
Insurance	£	1,228
Licensing	£	21
Memberships	£	44
Merchandise	£	504
Payment Processing	£	4
Performers	£	3,890
Photography	£	438
Prizes	£	50
Publicity	£	645
Raffle	£	52
Refreshments	£	227
Security	£	1,419
Stationary	£	261
Travel Expenses	£	39
Venue Hire	£	1,730
Website & Email	£	159

Total Expenditure	£	20,079
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Funds this year end	£	5,596
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Advertising

To help promote our events during the year, we advertised on Facebook. This included the Halloween Party in October 2022 and LGBT+ History Month in February 2023. All other event publicity was organic on social media and through printed posters and flyers.

A printed programme was produced for Stockport Pride 2023, which included information about the festival and adverts from sponsors and advertisers. Aside from our event sponsors, we accepted two paid adverts to also be placed in the programme.



Sponsorship

We had a lot of interest in sponsorship of Stockport Pride 2023 from both old and new contacts.

We were very grateful in support received from brsk, CDL, Sky, Stagecoach, Totally Stockport, Vernon Building Society, Adoption Counts, Stockport Homes Group, TPD Wealth Management, Wickes, BASF, H-Dyn Services, HURST, The Ted Darling Crime Series, Lynx Taxis, Mosscares St Vincent's Housing Group and Stockport Credit Union.



Grants

We were successful in applying for grant funding from Forever Manchester, SKyLight and Tesco Community Grants.

Stallholders Fees

Sixty-three stallholders on the day of Stockport Pride 2023 included charities, community groups, makers, and food and drink sellers. The fees charged for each of the stalls went towards the general event costs.

Donations and Raffle Sales

During Stockport Pride 2023 we held a raffle, which included prizes that were donated by fourteen local organisations. Members of the public were invited to buy raffle tickets and donate money in cash in



donation buckets and by card using handheld electronic payment terminals. A total of £543.22 was raised by raffle ticket sales and bucket donations combined.

Future Plans

Since the end of Stockport Pride 2023, the committee have been discussing plans for next year's festival.

Plans for Stockport Pride 2024 include the possible inclusion of a second entertainment stage, and providing a platform for more emerging artists.

We aim to liaise with people from local LGBTQ+ community groups to ensure their voices are heard and represented at Stockport Pride events.

The Stockport Pride committee are also spending a bit of time reflecting on the aims and objectives of the organisation - and what we should be doing to best serve the local LGBTQ+ community in the borough.

Throughout the year we will continue to run a number of events, such as for LGBT+ History Month and Transgender Day of Remembrance.

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.



"It was a privilege to be involved in such a fantastic event and great to see Stockport lit up with colour and celebration!"

"Well organised and the staff were amazing and welcoming"



"It was an inspiring and empowering experience celebrating love, diversity, and inclusion"

"Brilliant day at Stockport Pride, a day of joy and celebration, it was a privilege to take part"

"Great music & live artists"







CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
Stockport Pride	118841

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Nov-22		31-Oct-23

Section A Receipts and payments

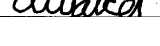
	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Advertising	140	-	-	140	1,000
Donations	1,249	-	-	1,249	2,233
Event Delivery Partners	240	-	-	240	117
Grants	-	3,977	-	3,977	-
Refunds (Banners)	175	-	-	175	-
Refunds (Prizes)	20	-	-	20	-
Sponsorships	11,550	-	-	11,550	5,800
Stall Fees	1,980	-	-	1,980	2,152
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	15,354	3,977	-	19,331	11,302
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,354	3,977	-	19,331	11,302

A3 Payments					
Accessibility	889	-	-	889	550
Advertising	28	-	-	28	-
Banners	1,181	-	-	1,181	875
Conferences	1,343	-	-	1,343	203
Consumables	5	-	-	5	130
Contractors	606	144	-	750	1,000
Cleaning	286	-	-	286	-
Decorations	102	-	-	102	78
Donations	521	-	-	521	1,209
Equipment	137	-	-	137	47
Equipment Hire	2,752	418	-	3,171	126
Event Delivery Partners	500	-	-	500	720
First Aid	-	275	-	275	-
Flags	180	-	-	180	287
Health & Safety	-	-	-	-	103
Insurance	1,228	-	-	1,228	1,188
Licensing	21	-	-	21	398
Memberships	44	-	-	44	-
Merchandise	504	-	-	504	732
Payment Processing	4	-	-	4	312
Performers	2,800	1,090	-	3,890	2,875
Photography	438	-	-	438	365
Prizes	50	-	-	50	12
Publicity	177	469	-	645	674
Raffle	52	-	-	52	44
Refreshments	227	-	-	227	386
Security	1,419	-	-	1,419	737
Stationary	261	-	-	261	54
Telephone	-	-	-	-	188
Travel Expenses	39	-	-	39	260
Venue Hire	1,730	-	-	1,730	2,074
Website & Email	159	-	-	159	159
Sub total	17,681	2,396	-	20,077	15,786

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	17,681	2,396	-	20,077	15,786

Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,327	1,581	-	746	- 4,484
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,067	275	-	6,342	-
Cash funds this year end	3,740	1,856	-	5,596	4,484

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 2022/2023	3,740	1,856	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	3,740	1,856	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Venue Hire for Stockport Market Place	SkyLight	1,856	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			STEPHEN BOWYER	19/11/23
			Ashley Walker	19/11/23