



# Omagh Pride Trustees Annual Report

1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025

The trustees of Omagh Pride are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025.

## About Omagh Pride

Omagh Pride was founded in 2021 and has the following aims:

- Organise a LGBTQIA+ pride parade in Omagh;
- Enhance the rights and wellbeing of LGBTQIA+ people in the Omagh area;
- Cultivate queer cultural expression;
- Work in partnership with local statutory, community and voluntary agencies to promote inclusion of the LGBTQIA+ community; and
- Show solidarity with LGBTQIA+ struggles everywhere.

Our objectives are:

- To provide a safe, secure and neutral space for activities;
- To increase visibility and representation for queer people in rural areas; and
- To network with organisations in other areas involved in the same activities.

## Events and Activities

### Omagh Pride 2024

- **Street Collection:** 1 June - Volunteers took to the streets of Omagh to promote pride and managed to raise £531.60 through donations from people in the town.
- **Omagh Pride Launch Night:** Following the street collection, Omagh Pride held its launch night in Daly's bar.
- **Omagh Pride Parade:** 22 June - Hundreds of people marched on our parade this year, and hundreds more turned out on the streets to watch.
- **Omagh Pride Festival:** Following the parade, Omagh Pride held our festival across three stages on Main Street, with highlights being Janet Devlin and Quire.
- **Omagh Pride Afterparty:** That evening Bogans bar was the venue for our afterparty, with Janet Devlin returning to perform there.

### Other Events

- **Lecky's Legacy:** Thanks to funding from the Arts Council of Northern Ireland, Omagh Pride held Lecky's Legacy on Friday 17 May. This event honoured the life of Raymond Browne-Lecky and was held in his home town of Fintona.



- **Our Queer Isles:** Thanks to support from the Four Nations International Fund, this multi-disciplinary performance unearths hidden queer histories from Northern Ireland, England and the Republic of Ireland, offering audiences a rare glimpse into LGBTQIA+ lives and legacies.
- **LGBTQIA+ History Events:** On 23 October Omagh Pride held a Queer History Workshop in The Hub, offering an insight into our queer history. For LGBT+ History Month in February, with Northern Ireland Screen Digital Film Archive, we held “Our Story, Our Lives”, giving a glimpse into Northern Ireland’s LGBTQIA+ heritage.
- **Community Wellbeing:** We held two walks in the summer under the banner of “Walking Proud” and in November began a monthly book club, called “Friends of Dorothy”. Our Christmas Party on 19 December offered a chance for our volunteers to relax and bond.

## Meetings

- In addition to regular meetings of our organising committee, Omagh Pride also held open meetings on Thursday 2 May, Thursday 20 June, Thursday 10 October, while our AGM was held on Thursday 19 September.

## Finance

### Income

- Income for the year totalled £6,395, a decline on 2023-2024 (£31,636).
- This is primarily because funding from the National Lottery Community Fund for both our 2023 and 2024 parades/festivals was received within the 2023-24 financial year.

### Expenditure

- Expenditure for the year totalled £19,038, a decline on 2023-2024 (£24,134).

**Oisín Donnelly**  
Chairperson  
Omagh Pride

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