

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Please include the following information:

1. Whether any events have been organised for Pride month. If so please provide the date, start and end time, and title/topic of the event

Our LGBTQ+ Network will be attending Southend Pride on 15 July and the Trust's all staff update on 13 June focussed on Pride Month and promoting LGBTQ+ awareness. The Trust's Employee Experience Managers and Equality Advisor have also been visiting Trust sites and sharing LGBTQ+ rainbow lanyards and pens with staff.

2. Whether any LGBT themed merchandise has been purchased for Pride month. I.e. since the beginning of the 2023/24 financial year. If so please provide me with information on what has been purchased and the cost

At present no merchandise has been purchased in 2023/24, all merchandise used has been stock from previous year's events.

3. Whether the organisation has sponsored any Pride events. If so which events and please provide details of the nature of the sponsorship (particularly the financial value)

The Trust sponsored the Southend Pride event in 2022 to the value of £3,500.

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