Report of the trustees and unaudited financial statements

of

CUMBRIA LGBT PRIDE

for the year ended 30 September 2022

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Reference and administrative details

Registered charity number:

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Mrs Jane-ann Clark (Chair)

Mr Martin Reeves

Ms Andi-Elizabeth Rutherford (resigned 14 October 2022)

Mx Karyn Wood (Treasurer)

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Jane-ann, Chair and Trustee

Cumbria Pride has been a tough one this year from moving from the LGBThq into Phoenix House on Robert Street. We've had a lot to deal with, but the Trustees have done it and been able to put together an amazing Cumbria Pride 2022.

We have also started a new Project called Make with Pride thanks to funding from Morrisons, so this means we can put on art and craft afternoons for families, and it doesn't cost them a thing. These have gone down well and lots of different things have been made from swords, shields, crowns and bunting at the Queen's Jubilee in Bitts Park to our Halloween event on the 29th October at Holme Head House with many more planned.

We have been back in supermarkets which has been nice and looking forward to getting in to more.

Our Cumbria Pride event this year went down really well, there were a few complaints about where it was being held but on the whole people liked it. Our Sponsors enjoyed it, and it was very well attended by the community and allies, we have had lots of good feedback from the people that attended the event.

We have had meetings with most of our sponsors this year which has been nice and had lots of other meetings with people, charities and organisations that have wanted to find out more about pride, we have also delivered some training.

Huge thank you to all the trustees and volunteers.

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Mary Cameron Parker, Secretary and Trustee

Following a challenging year, I am pleased to report that we have enjoyed success in several major areas.

Our team has changed and developed to equal the challenges we encountered. We have several new members, all of whom are dedicated to the development of the charity and increasing our profile in Cumbria.

We have changed the venue for Pride. Initially this met with some opposition. The Castle was apparently more impressive but our move to Caldew Riverside Car Park proved to be more popular with the public and afforded us much more space.

We had a protest march from our HQ to the centre of town. This was a quieter march than usual but attracted younger people and certainly raised our profile.

Our fund raising was successful and well received. We are working hard on inclusiveness within the community. As with other charities we are aware that funds are stretched but our increased effort did bring in sufficient funds.

We have developed and sustained a partnership with Carlisle United Football Club. Our team members work with the team towards greater inclusivity and equality.

We continue to innovate in our fund raising and work hard to build a sound relationship with individuals and businesses in Carlisle.

We continue to provide craft with Make with Pride where we involve young people and their families.

The skills of our new team members are wide ranging, and we have divided into subgroups to focus on individual areas.

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Karyn Wood, Treasurer and Trustee

After the Covid lockdowns we had been so pleased to be able to hold a Pride event last year, but obviously were heartbroken that not everyone had been able to come and join us due to having to stick to restricted numbers for Covid safety. Our mission for 2022 was therefore to be able to hold an event that as many people as possible could come along to. As the Castle had advised us of their limit on numbers due to their evacuation procedure, we knew that sadly we had now outgrown there. We definitely did not want our main Pride to be a ticketed event again! We had also received feedback regarding the cobbles making it less accessible for those with mobility issues.

With the support of Carlisle City Council we moved to a new venue, Caldew Riverside Car Park. This venue offers a large open space with 3 entrance/exits which negates that limit on numbers, has flat ground making it more accessible, and it is close to the town centre which we know was an issue when the event moved to the University on Brampton Road in 2018. Although the venue had not been overly popular with the public when first announced, the majority who attended gave feedback to say they had been pleasantly surprised, with many hoping we will hold it there again. Unfortunately, we had been unable to raise enough funds within the timescale to be able to hold a parade on the day, which is something we really hope to be able to achieve next year as this is a key part for visibility and something that is particularly enjoyed by our community.

Cumbria Pride are recognised as supporting our gay community, but we are here to support all LGBT+ and are eager to increase understanding for our whole community without the need for 'outing' members. Whilst our annual main Pride event is vital, support is needed all year round. This has been heightened following the Covid lockdowns, so it was even more important to get out into the community as much as possible right throughout the year to spread our inclusive messages. A fantastic partnership has been formed with Carlisle United, who have not only included our banners within their family area but have created a massive backdrop featuring our logo and the 'Football is for Everyone' message. They have also welcomed us with groups to their matches and took time out to listen to advice and make some simple changes to be more welcoming.

To link with schools, colleges and youth groups, we held a competition within LGBT+ History month to design our logo for Pride '22. We were surprised by the number of entries, and choosing a winner was an incredibly difficult task. The winning design was chosen by staff at Carlisle City Council, and Carlisle College were thanked for supporting our competition enabling the winning entry.

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Karyn Wood, Treasurer and Trustee (continued)

Thanks to funding from Morrisons Foundation we have been able to introduce 'Make with Pride'. Our Make with Pride project offers relaxed, free of charge, art and craft sessions for families with nursery/primary age children who are either LGBT+ themselves or have family members/friends who are. These have proven to be a huge success, and one that we hope we can source further funding to be able to continue.

It has been a year of building and re-establishing relationships with local organisations and charities, with an aim of taking a holistic approach to support. LGBT+ people are not just LGBT+, and there are many great sources of support for other inclusion needs out there that our community are perhaps fearful to engage with in case they are not LGBT+ friendly. It's therefore essential that we work together with as many different organisations/charities as possible, and thanks to the Arnold Clark Community Fund we were able to hire some market stalls to invite a number of organisations to attend Pride '22.

Mental health and emotional wellbeing was another big focus for us throughout 2022. Thanks to funding from the National Lottery Community Fund we were able to produce booklets to be given out at Pride '22, along with a list of LGBT+ friendly services. Money was also used, and will continue to be used, for volunteer expenses enabling greater coverage for support including delivering awareness training.

This grant also covers our rental charges for our office base. We moved to Phoenix House in November 2021, which as well as a private office space, offers use of a large conference room and kitchen area which has proven to be ideal for our needs.

Coming out of Covid has obviously seen trickier times financially, and we are incredibly grateful to our sponsors Sellafield Ltd, Rolling Pub Co, Cumbria County Council, Cumbria Fire and Rescue, Telford Automobiles, Worth it Accounting, Carlisle City Council, OutREACH Cumbria, Carlisle College, Carlisle United Football Club (plus their supporters groups and supporters club), Citizens Advice – Carlisle and Eden, The Glasshouse, North Cumbria Integrated Care (NHS), The Rainbow Lottery, Unison – Northern Regional Health Commissioning Branch, and the University of Cumbria. Without this support everything we do would not be possible.

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Karyn Wood, Treasurer and Trustee (continued)

This year saw the celebration of 50 years of London Pride, and 30 years of Euro Pride, and we were delighted to be invited to London by Sadiq Khan to celebrate alongside a number of Pride and LGBT+ groups from around Europe. It is a true honour to have that recognition of value of our contribution, and this was an ideal networking event to hear ideas from other organisations.

Joining a charity brings a lot of work and a lot of responsibility. Cumbria LGBT Pride are governed by strict rules within our registration which as Trustees we have a legal obligation to adhere to. Sadly this year, this has caused a level of personal abuse from a disgruntled volunteer. Whilst much was done to welcome this person, rules could not be broken to cater for their demands. Whilst the situation has caused much unnecessary upset to myself and fellow Trustees, I am proud of the work we have done to maintain integrity.

I hope that Cumbria Pride will continue to evolve in 2023, and plan to do my best to support this. I look forward to some happy times next year 😊

Martin Reeves, Trustee

It has been a privilege to serve as a Trustee for a further year again, hoping I have given a little input to the Cumbria Pride event!

I would just like to say what a wonderful event it was again on the day, enjoyed by so many on a lovely sunny Saturday. But the work goes on 365 days a year, with fundraising events and all behind the scenes paper work and meetings that is required to put the event on. Particular thanks to Jane-Ann, Karyn, Mary and all the volunteers for all their tremendous hard work. Great thanks to all our providers, stage, security, City Council and all the stall holders together with the hosts and all the acts which make it such a memorable event.

Just to note it saddens me that some want to pull away and want to do other things, but I truly hope this is put behind us and we can move on in a positive way to continue Cumbria Pride, what it is about, equality and diversity for the whole LGBT+ community.

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Trustees' report

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) (FRS 102), second edition, October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is governed by its constitution and is an unincorporated association.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

Objectives and Aims

The objectives of the charity are:

- To promote equality and diversity and to protect the future of the LGBT communities in Cumbria
- To provide a safe environment to engage communities in the celebration of their sexual orientation.
- To provide a platform for information, advice and services available to the LGBT community.
- To promote equality and diversity for the public benefit and counter discrimination against LGBT people across Cumbria.
- To be a strong voice for Cumbria's LGBT community.

In setting these objectives the charity has paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity is confident that, with fundraising, it will be able to hold future Pride events, including Cumbria Pride in 23 September 2023.

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Approved by order of the board of Trustees on 15 June 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of CUMBRIA LGBT PRIDE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 30 September 2022, which are set out on pages 10 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

My examination of the charity's accounts is carried out in accordance with section 145 of the Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

In the course of my examination, no material matter has come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that the requirements:

- 1. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
- 2. to prepare accounts which accord with those records; or
- 3. to prepare accounts which comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met, or that

4. further information is needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of matters I to 4 listed above and, in following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters which require to be grawn to your attention.

Paul Brennock FCG FFA MIAgSA

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15 June 2023

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 September 2022

		Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 202 l
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary income	3	1,747	14,715	16.462	11.865
Charitable activities	4	27,900		27,900	
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		29,647	14,715	44,362	37,936
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities		(23,748)	(13,803)	(37,551)	(45,929)
Support activities		(2,300)		(2,300)	(866)
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		(26,048)	(13,803)	(39,851)	(46,795)
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		3,599	912	4,511	(7,059)
Total funds brought forward		(3,424)	6,261	2,837	9,896
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022		175	7,173	7,348	2,837

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 30 September 2022

			2022	2021
	Note	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	4	4,730		2,266
Cash at bank and in hand		16,052		14,616
			20,782	16,882
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	5	(13,434)	(13,434)	(14,045)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			7,348	2,837
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			7,348	2,837
FUNDS				
Restricted funds	6		7173	6,261
Unrestricted funds	6		175	(3,424)
TOTAL FUNDS			7,348	2,837

The financial statements were approved by the board of Trustees on 15 June 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Karyn Louise Wood (Director/Trustee)

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Notes on the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022

I. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

I.I Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015), the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) and the Charities Act 2011.

1.2 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or where raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the company has entitlement to the funds and certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

I.6. Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Notes on the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022 (continued)

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Fundraising events	24,862	6,170
Sponsorships	19,500	20,766
	44,362	26,936

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year no trustee received any remuneration (2021: £nil). During the year no trustee received any reimbursement of expenses (2021: £nil).

4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Debtors	4,730	2,266

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	13,434	12,045
Other creditors		2,000
	13,434	14,045

Notes on the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022 (continued)

6. STATEMENT OF FUND MOVEMENTS

	Brought forward £	Incoming resources	Resources expended £	Carried forward
Unrestricted funds General funds	£(3,424)	29,647	(26,048)	175
Restricted funds Other restricted funds	6,261	14,715	(13,803)	7,173
Total funds	2,837	44,362	(39,851)	7,348

The restricted funds carried forward comprise the following grant balances: Morrisons Foundation £2,643 National Lottery Community Fund £4,530

Detailed statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 September 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Donations	1,747	936
Grants	14,715	11,865
Total voluntary income	16,462	12,801
Activities for generating funds		
Fundraising events	8,400	6,170
Sponsorships	19,500	20,766
Total activities for generating funds	27,900	26,936
Total incoming resources	44,362	39,736

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements.

Detailed statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 September 2022 (continued)

	2022 £	2021 £
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Fundraising expenses	7	444
Insurance	1,445	3,213
Pride acts and media	12,713	14,723
Pride event management	2,137	8,492
Pride event setup	12,441	11,377
Room hire	7,238	7,449
Volunteer costs	1,570	231
Website		
Total charitable activities	37,551	45,929
Support costs		
Accountancy fees	500	500
Administration costs	1,700	261
Finance charges		5
Independent examiner's fee	100	100
Total support costs	2,300	866
Total resources expended	39,851	46,795
Net income/expenditure	4,511	(7,059)

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