

Trustees' Annual Report for the period 6 April 2023 to 5 April 2024

Section A: Reference and administration details

Charity name: Kingston LGBT Forum
Other names charity is known by: Kingston LGBTQ+ Forum
Registered charity number: 1184645
Charity's principal address: 273 Walton Road, West Molesey
Postcode: KT8 2JN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
	Lewis Friend		
	Kate Harrad		
	Lisa Hughes		Resigned: 08 th Jan 2024
	Aaron Marlowe		
	Charlie Parker	Chair	Resigned Chair: 1 st Feb 2024
	Samuel Quinlan		
	Liam Rogers		
	Karl Rutlidge	Treasurer	
	Eliseu Samuel Silva Ferreira	Secretary	Resigned: 26 th July 2023
	Oliver Lloyd Stredwick	Chair	Appointed Chair: 1 st Feb 2024
	Christopher Wray		

There have been no trustees for the charity (for example, custodian trustees) during the period to which this Annual Report relates.

Section B: Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts

Type of governing document:	Constitution
How the charity is constituted:	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods:	Appointed by existing trustees

Section C: Objects and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the charity are:

1. The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames by:
 - a. The elimination of discrimination on the grounds of gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation;
 - b. Advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity and the needs of LGBT+ people and the issues affecting their lives and their communities;
 - c. Promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds; and
 - d. Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity.
2. The promotion of social inclusion for the public benefit by working with people in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames who are socially excluded on the grounds of their gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation (in particular lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (“LGBT+”) people) to meet the needs of such people and assist them to fully participate in society, in particular by:
 - a. Providing a local network group that encourages and enables LGBT+ people to participate more effectively with the wider community; and
 - b. Increasing, or co-ordinating, opportunities for LGBT+ people to engage with service providers, to enable those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of those people.
3. The advancement of the health and wellbeing of LGBT+ people in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames by promoting activities that have a proven beneficial effect on health and wellbeing.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

To further its objects, the charity has undertaken a programme of activities and events this year for the public benefit. Specifically, the charity has:

1. Promoted equality and diversity for the public benefit in Kingston upon Thames by providing activities for LGBTQ+ people, which took place in the local community, in venues accessible to all members of the local community, and online. The visibility of LGBTQ+ people in the community and their interaction with the wider local community cultivates a sentiment in favour of equality in diversity while also increasing LGBTQ+ people's confidence in accessing local venues and facilities.
2. Promoted social inclusion for the public benefit by working with people in Kingston upon Thames who are socially excluded on the grounds of their gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation (in particular lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans ("LGBTQ+") people) to meet the needs of such people and assist them to fully participate in society, in particular by:
 - a. Providing local peer support activities to build a network group that encourages and enables LGBTQ+ people to participate more effectively with the wider community; and
 - b. Increasing and co-ordinating opportunities for LGBTQ+ people to engage with service providers, to enable those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of those people. The charity has done this by signposting LGBTQ+ people to service providers where relevant.
3. Advanced the health and wellbeing of LGBTQ+ people in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames by promoting activities that have a proven beneficial effect on health and wellbeing. These activities included group peer support sessions as well as walking and yoga sessions. In further advancing the health and wellbeing of LGBTQ+ people in Kingston, the charity organised virtual events to tackle loneliness and isolation.

In planning these activities, the charity trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, which each trustee received upon registration of the charity or prior to being elected as a trustee.

Section D: Achievements and performance

Summary of the achievements of the charity during the year

During the period of this annual report, the charity:

- Delivered 147 separate events for local LGBTQ+ people in Kingston upon Thames, made up of:
 - 51 online peer support sessions, including virtual pub quizzes, and live feeds of our yoga sessions;

- 28 physical activities, including yoga sessions, running, croquet, bowling and walking;
- 12 community development sessions for volunteers;
- 10 coffee mornings;
- 9 peer support sessions for LGBTQ+ women;
- 5 book club meetings;
- 5 art and craft workshops
- 27 other open ended peer support sessions, including attending pub quizzes, Sunday lunch at a local pub, cinema trips, social events and other events devised by the volunteers in the community development sessions.

Section E: Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity does not have a reserves policy.


Section F: Other optional information

None

Section G: Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature	
Full name	Olly Stredwick
Position	Chair
Date	18 December 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Kingston LGBT Forum	No (if any)
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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 6th April 2023	To	Period end date 5th April 2024
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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					
Donations	487	-	-	487	767
Grants	6,520	-	-	6,520	-
Events Income	247	-	-	247	328
Gift Aid	271	-	-	271	-
Miscellaneous Income	2	-	-	2	310
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,526	-	-	7,526	1,405
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,526	-	-	7,526	1,405
A3 Payments					
Phone and Broadband	-	-	-	-	-
Hardware Purchases	607	-	-	607	-
Subscriptions	590	-	-	590	447
Events and Meetings	2,138	-	-	2,138	3,689
Equipment for Events and Activities	1,449	-	-	1,449	436
Food and Drink	1,515	-	-	1,515	3,312
Travel and Parking	61	-	-	61	163
Postage and Office Costs	18	-	-	18	9
Marketing and Publicity	-	-	-	-	-
Training	-	-	-	-	-
Banking and Insurance	256	-	-	256	229
Staffing Costs	625	-	-	625	-
Miscellaneous Expenditure	-	-	-	-	269
Sub total	7,260	-	-	7,260	8,556
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	7,260	-	-	7,260	8,556
Net of receipts/(payments)	266	-	-	266	- 7,150
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,942	-	-	4,942	12,092
Cash funds this year end	5,208	-	-	5,208	4,942

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	Cash in Bank	5,208	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5,208	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	