

29 July 2025

## **PRIDE month 2025**

**This is an information request relating to Pride month 2025.**

**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.**

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust arranged two lunchtime walks for staff, who wished to attend at the Knockbracken Healthcare Park site and Musgrave Park Hospital site. These both took place on the 24 July at 12.30pm and were over by 1.00pm. They were called 'Stride for Pride'.

- 2. Whether any LGBT themed merchandise has been purchased for Pride month. i.e. since the beginning of the 2025/26 financial year. If so please provide me with information on what has been purchased and the cost.**

60 wristbands were purchased for any staff member who wanted to walk in the Belfast Pride Parade along with Health and Social Care Lesbian Gay Bisexual Trans staff network colleagues. They were not LGBT themed, they were plain yellow wristbands and they cost £500 in total.

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

The Belfast Health and Social Care Trust has not sponsored any Pride specific events – as aforementioned, two Stride for Pride lunchtime walks were organised for any staff member who wanted to walk during their lunch time. There was no financial outlay in organising these lunchtime walks.