

## **036 – Trinity Pride**

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### **Union Notes**

1. Every August Leeds hosts one of the largest Pride Celebration and parades in support of LGBTQ+ communities.
2. Leeds Pride Began 15 years ago and is one of Yorkshire's largest events for the LGBT+ community.
3. Leeds Trinity University's LGBT+ Staff Network have represented the institution for a number of years at the event.
4. Leeds Trinity Students' Union have not committed to formally attending or promoting the event at present.
5. Leeds Trinity Students' Union holds Inclusive as a core value and strives to support all minority students with regards to awareness, campaigning and socialising.
6. When speaking to LGBTQ+ students who are engaged with the Union they have stated that they would feel more comfortable supporting this large scale event by walking in the parade with supporting staff and volunteers.
7. The Parade begins at 2pm and travels through the centre from Millennium Square to Lower Briggate/Call Lane (Gay Village).
8. The event is free and requires no tickets or passes to attend.
9. The event provides an amazing opportunity to meet others who are passionate about equality, fair treatment and making new social connections.
10. Local organisations such as Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Police are in regular attendance to show support and solidarity for their staff and local communities.

All data captured from <https://www.leedspride.com>

### **Union Believes**

1. That LGBTQ+ Students should feel supported to celebrate the event.
2. That the Union should actively promote LGBTQ+ friendly events within Leeds and surrounding areas.
3. That as an inclusive organisation we encourage the attendance of all members and LTU staff to show solidarity.
4. That all Trinity Students' and staff should feel confident enough to attend Leeds Pride.
5. That students and staff should understand the origins of Leeds Pride, why it takes place and how to get involved.
6. That promotion and support for the event and LGBTQ+ communities would encourage other local education providers and charities to attend/raise awareness of LGBTQ+ history and activities.

### **Union Resolves**

1. To Mandate the President, chair of LTUs LGBT+ staff network and LGBTQ+ Officer to work together to co-ordinate a place at the Leeds Pride Parade.
2. To use social media and communications to publicise the event and follow up with a recollection of the day & experiences.
3. To mandate the Vice President to work with sports clubs and societies to understand why the event is so important and champion inclusivity for their members.

4. For the Union to publish information about the Stonewall Riots during the rainbow laces campaign to show consistent support for LGBTQ+ students and staff.
5. That one designated staff member or student volunteer (e.g. LGBTQ+ Officer) will attend the parade annually as representation for the students' Union alongside interested students and staff.
6. To Provide information from the SU Advice Service on how to stay safe and enjoy the event.
7. To Publish an article after the event informing members and encourage attendance for the following year or to be active in LGBTQ+ campaigns.

*Motion passed: 01/11/21*