

## **Pride Open meeting 3/12/18**

**Chair:** AH and RSB **Minutes:** DP

### 1. Committee reports

*Sec:* reported on the meeting schedule, and location

*Accessibility:* Audited Endcliffe park for accessibility and encouraged people with accessibility concerns to get in touch.

*Treasurer:* Infrastructure for Pride has been put in place, bank accounts etc. Has also been working on fundraising. A budget has also been put together.

*H&S:* Attended a meeting with Safety Advisory group chair, set out that we are a new committee and established the date time and location of the event and parade,

Subsequent to this meeting a further meeting with myself and the accessibility officer was had with the Traffic Management lead Tim Hilbert and the head of Sheffield Events team Howard Simpson. We discussed our proposed plans for the parade and the provisions for multiple start and muster points.

Attended Halloween party at Saylt to gather information on how we could improve upon previous Prides and how we can make things more inclusive.

Attended the launch of new accessAble app and website. This provides accessibility information for venues in and around the city and we initially used the website as a tool for our health safety and accessibility audit of Endcliffe Park.

Made good connections and spoke about integrating the information into our website and creating stronger links throughout the year.

Planning a meeting with the police to discuss provisions for the day, crowd control and counter terrorism measures. Myself YK, and the BAME reps shall plan to be in attendance and a discussion about our intentions shall be had at the BAME caucus as well as at a closed meeting prior to a discussion with the police.

*Chairs:* Pride has applied for Endcliffe Park. Events manager stepped down, and chairs have taken the role on a shared basis and have built an events plan. Plan was to set up Pride as a coop. However there are some issues, and it may be that a different structure may be used. A plan, including a constitution will be brought to the next open meeting. The Chairs have also held 121s with committee members.

*Funding:* Looking for volunteers to help with funding bids, the standard responses are complete so experience is not required.

### 2. Sponsorship packs

- Several levels of sponsorship
- Code of ethics
- Political pledge was presented;

- o Agreed to tidy up wording on “denounce” – “not expecting companies denounce everything just what they have control over.”
- o Agreed to retitle “Pledge to the LGBT+ community”
- o Agreed to add in HIV status/Political and religious belief/Age and expand Trans to include non-binary and gender neutral.
- o Agreed to edit pledge as above and then share with MESMAC/Matt (SHU) and Dave (sec) to ensure it abides by equality leg.

3. Open Q&A session

- a. The response to Pride in Sheffield’s public statement on Frat house was discussed.
  - i. Agreed to delete FB post, and edit original statement removing legal language but keep sentiment. This was voted on, and carried.