

FOI REF: 26/498

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Further to your recent request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, I now set out our answers to your specific questions, and any clarifications sought and provided, as follows:

This is an information request relating to Pride Month 2026. 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.**

During Pride Month we held 3 stands, promoting Pride and the LGBTQIA+ Network.

- 2nd June: Wellbeing Table at Conquest Hospital from 12pm to 2 pm.
- 23rd June: Wellbeing Table at Bexhill Irvine Unit from 12pm to 2 pm.
- 25th: Wellbeing Table at Eastbourne District General Hospital from 12pm to 2 pm.

- 2) Whether any LGBT themed merchandise has been purchased for Pride Month – i.e. since the beginning of the 2026/27 financial year. If so, please provide me with information on what has been purchased and the cost.**

The only Pride Month specific purchase we made was for a new Progress Pride flag for Conquest Hospital as the previous one was damaged. This was a total cost of £7.99.

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

The organisation did not sponsor any Pride events.

I trust this information is helpful in its detail or explanation however, if you are dissatisfied with the response, then you have the right to request an internal review. If you wish to seek an internal review, please write to the Freedom of Information Team at esh-tr.foi@nhs.net

quoting the above FOI reference number, within 40 working days. Please note the Trust is not obliged to accept a request for an internal review after this time period.

Yours faithfully

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