

AGM Finance Report 2022

2022 started off with high hopes that this year we would, at last, make the move to Elmfield Park. These hopes came true and 2022 organising proved tiring with things new to the event being discussed and priced.

Due to the cancellation of our normal Prides in 2020 and 2021, we started the planning with the advantage of having £15,689.92 in the bank, which for us was great, and also a record, but needed to put on such in improved Doncaster Pride.

We knew that we would need much more than this and started the rounds of local businesses to obtain sponsorship.

Although businesses were still coming out of Covid, we found many realised the benefit of supporting Pride and we achieved the funds to put on what we think was a spectacular event for the grand total of £55,824.25 at the last count. This included a small amount collected on the day and money through the Paypal donate button on our website.

We also receive monetary donations from Amazon Smile, the Rainbow Lottery, Easy fundraising and Facebook, all of which are due to people using these online apps and donating to Doncaster Pride. IKEA donated many items which were used on the day saving us having to purchase them.

We have more recently joined with the Co-operative and people can choose Pride and a donation will be sent to us at no cost to themselves.

Going forward to 2023 we are not in such a strong position with only £616.65 in the bank so the push is now ongoing to raise the required funds to put on another great Doncaster Pride.

We have already sourced funding of £7,500.00, although this will take a short while to be paid into our bank account.

We will fit the event around our funds and will make 2023 as diverse as we usually do, but we need Pride goers to help and support us.

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