

John, hi

We have been in touch with Clare Stringer who suggested you might be able to help.

A little background - the Witney Pride community picnic was organised by a small group of volunteers and was held in May 2019 on Church Green with about 100 people attending a pleasant sunny afternoon. This event was supported by Oxford Pride of whom I helped organise from 2007-2019. Inspired by the community spirit of the organisers, I am now lending my experience.

In addition to the online and regular social activities that are organised throughout the year, we would like to expand the day to include a small procession to the alcohol-free friendly Pride Picnic event that features fun traditional sports day activities, community stalls and some local entertainment.

We are now planning the 2nd Witney Pride for Saturday 25th July 2020 and have attended the SAG meeting last week to discuss and develop our ideas. It was suggested that The Leys would be a better location to establish and grow our event. As a volunteer run small community group we have very limited resources but we do want the event to reflect the needs of the local community.

Attached is a proposed site plan, event application and expression of interest. We are still developing the Event Management Plan and related risk assessments etc as these will reflect anticipated fundraising to meet estimated cost to hold the event.

Any assistance you are able to offer would be greatly appreciated. In particular, an estimate of the cost of the use of The Leys as per the attached map would be very helpful.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,
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