

## Witney Pride Community Interest Company

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We would like to thank the Witney Town Council for generously supporting Witney Pride CIC with a grant of £200 in October 2019.

## Expenditure:

Film Licence £99.60 Room hire £37.50

Zoom licence £62.90 partial payment towards total cost

Witney Pride held a film night in the Corn Exchange 1/12/19 to raise money for the Terrance Higgins Trust and to provide the community with an alternative source of entertainment. 10 people attended and £70 was raised.

Due to Covid and lockdown, Witney Pride was unable to host other physical events that had been planned and the remaining grant money was held in account.

After engaging with the LGBTQ+ Community online via Social Media throughout 2020, we wanted to expand our services and join with other local Pride groups. It was decided that a Zoom membership would be a valuable asset to host online events starting with a quiz for LGBTQ History Month 2021.

27 people took part from 3 local Prides and it will hopefully be a regular event. Everybody enjoyed themselves, it gave people the opportunity to catch up with familiar faces and meet new people.

As you can see the funding we received has been important to our group and the community as a whole. In the future we would like to host a combination of physical and online events so that we can reach as wide a community as possible. Having online events is especially important at the moment as so many people we have talked to feel isolated and alone.

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