

Late Item

Application for CIL funding:

Project Title: Pride Place Equipment

Name of Group or Organisation: Pride of Place Leeds Ltd

Total Project Cost: £60,381

Amount proposed from CIL Budget 2023/24: £5,000

Wards Covered: Hunslet & Riverside

Project Summary: Pride of Place have opened Leeds' first dedicated LGBTQ+ Centre to address a long standing and growing need in the community. They have partnered with the organisers of Leeds Pride and Leeds City Council to secure temporary premises in the city centre. This will meet the need for a non-commercial, confidential meeting and event space which is sensitively designed to be accessible, welcoming and inclusive to all parts of the LGBTQ+ community.

This will greatly enhance the City's aim to be a LGBT-friendly city and will provide a service to LGBTQ+ residents of Leeds.

As the offer of premises is temporary, we will assess what other venue options there might be for the longer term and identify possible funding streams to be able to make the centre financially sustainable. The aim in the short term is to demonstrate the need for a LGBTQ+ centre in Leeds and to seek out and acquire a suitable longer-term alternative.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities & Best City for Health and Wellbeing