



## **BRECON PRIDE**

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# Brecon Pride Membership Information

Brecon Pride has grown from the loose collective of enthusiastic people supporting Brecon Town Council to put on a one-day event in 2023, to a formally registered charity supporting the rights and needs of LGBTQIA+ people all year round.

Part of this growth was to formalise Brecon Pride and register as a charity in 2024 (registered charity number 1210774). At the time, it was agreed for simplicity that the charity would have three trustees:

- Chair – Mr Michael Price (He/Him)
- Secretary – Mrs Anna James-Davies (She/Her)
- Treasurer – Miss Tab Wheeler (She/Her)

For simplicity in registration, these three named above were registered as the sole official voting members of Brecon Pride CIO, and this is recorded in the governance documents registered with the Charity Commission.

The governance document for Brecon Pride (established from a standard charity template) also allows for informal or affiliate membership with no voting rights. By nature of how we have been operating, everyone other than the three named above have therefore been acting in the role of affiliate members of Brecon Pride since the official registration of the charity on 4 November 2024. While the wider group has had no formal voting rights, the Board of Trustees has engaged with the wider group on all major decisions.

It was always planned however that full membership should be extended to grant voting rights to additional people with a vested interest in the running of Brecon Pride CIO.

The Trustees of Brecon Pride have, therefore, updated the governance document to allow people to apply for full company membership. As with membership of any company or charity, those wishing to join must agree to the charity's core principles and agree that everything they do in the group is in the interests of Brecon Pride. To this end, a declaration of interests will also need to be completed along with the membership application.

Of course, people will always be allowed to attend membership meetings of Brecon Pride even without becoming a full member, but they will have no voting rights and will attend as observers with affiliate status.