

FOI 0242/2021 Request

1. In respect of each of the years 2015-2021, please confirm what funding has been provided to Stonewall by: Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

For each financial year from 2015 to 2021, the membership fee given to Stonewall is £3000 (including VAT)

In addition to this additional monies were provided to Stonewall for the following conferences and master classes:

2020/2021

- £358.80 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference

2019/2020

- £216 Spending for Network Group Masterclass

2018/2019

- £358.80 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference
- £358.80 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference
- £252 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference

2017/2018

- £ 358.8 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference
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2016/2017

- £ 684 Spending for attendance to Stonewall conference

2015/2016

- £630 Spending for attendance to Stonewall workplace conference
- £1506 Spending for Stonewall Lead Programme.

The below annual spend includes paid membership with Stonewall, purchasing rainbow lanyards, rainbow badges, hosting an event every year during LGBT history month, purchasing tickets for staff members that wish to attend the PRIDE event, contribute towards a float during PRIDE parade and attending other LGBT events. Please be aware that this is not an exhaustive list.

BSMHFT Staff Network Spend 2015-2020	
2015-2016	1389
2016-2017	2352
2017-2018	2148
2018-2019	3302
2019-2020	2194

2. Please specify whether the funding in 1 above has been in the form of:

- (a) direct grants for unlimited purposes;**
- (b) direct grants for limited purposes (in that event, stating the purpose);**
- (c) payment for goods or services (specifying the relevant goods and services).**

Monies provided to Stonewall were for the purposes of providing services which includes attending events and conferences.

3. Where the funding in 1 above has been by way of payment for goods or services, please specify:

- (a) what analysis has been conducted to ascertain whether these goods or services meet contractual and/or legal requirements;**
- (b) what contractual or other recourse exists to reclaim in respect of goods or services that are defective, substandard or delivered in contravention of the law;**
- (c) what steps are being taken to seek recourse for any such contractual or legal shortfalls.**

All LGBT + related purchases within the Trust are discussed and approved by the LGBT+ staff Network.

We have never had to reclaim from Stonewall.

During the pandemic certain services were not available in their usual format but were either provided online, or were not available and therefore there no costs were incurred eg the annual conference.

4. In respect of the payments referred to in 1 above, please state:

- (a) What criteria were applied in deciding to make payments by way of direct grants;**
- (b) What tendering process was conducted with regard to provision of goods or services;**
- (c) What alternative suppliers of goods or services were considered.**

*****Clarification has been sought from the Requester to confirm what they mean by “direct grants for unlimited purposes. The Requester has confirmed that they would like information in respect to all payments having been made to Stonewall by the Trust, including, but not limited to those listed below;**

- **Grant funding (all/any type)**
- **Membership to any Stonewall scheme (‘Diversity Champions’, ‘Top 100 Employers’, ‘Children and Young People Champions’, ‘School Champions’, ‘Equality Index’, ‘LGBT Leadership**

Programme', 'LGBT Role Model Programme', 'Ally/Trans Ally Programmes', 'Proud Employers', 'Train the Trainer', or any other Stonewall scheme or Programme etc)

- **Donations**

- **Events/Conferences (where, for example, your organisation purchased tickets to attend or entered raffles or auctions organised by Stonewall). Please name any events/conferences that your organisation attended and dates attended)**

- **Any money paid to Stonewall for Advertising, such as Job Adverts etc**

- **Any 'other spend', such as on 'rainbow laces' or 'rainbow lanyards' etc**

In summary, I'd appreciate receiving a full break-down of all and any money paid to Stonewall over the periods requested, showing the year of each spend item.

Please refer to the response provided in question 3.