

This is an information request relating to purchases of LGBT merchandise, visits to LGBT pride parades, and the wrapping of police vehicles in rainbow decorations

Please include the information for each of the following periods; 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22:

- 1) Annual purchases of LGBT+ merchandise (for example, rainbow flags, bunting, lanyards, wristbands, stickers, balloons, pins) including the total quantity of LGBT+ merchandise purchased and the expenditure. Please provide a breakdown of what was purchased**

We have searched for information using the cost codes used by our Diversity and Inclusion team, and have reviewed the ledger for references to 'Pride' or any associated activities. The results of this search are as follows:

FY 19/20 - £153.72

FY 20/21 - £85.75

FY 21/22 - £763.00

- 2) Annual expenditure on wrapping police vehicles in rainbow decorations and the number of vehicles wrapped. Please provide pictures if possible**

0 vehicles have been wrapped

- 3) Whether or not the police force has attended any Pride events in the mentioned financial years, including which events, the number of officers which attended the events, and how much was spent attending each event**

In relation to officers that have been posted/deployed to policing operations, we have provided approximate figures below.

2019-2020

Approx. staffing levels: 210 officers (whole weekend)

Approx. cost: £18,240

2020-2021

N/A – no Pride events took place due to Covid pandemic

2021-2022

Approx. staffing levels: 180 officers (whole weekend)

Approx. cost: £5,504