

# The Wakey Worker

WAKEFIELD DISTRICT UNISON

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## PRIDE IN WAKEFIELD IS NOT CANCELLED

Despite earlier uncertainty, **Pride is not cancelled in Wakefield.**

LonGBoaT Wakefield, the city's grassroots LGBTQ+ arts and community charity, is proud to confirm that **Wakefield Community Pride 2025** will take place on **Sunday, 10th August** – a joyful, radical and inclusive celebration of LGBTQ+ life in the heart of the city.

With no big corporate pride event this year, local activists, artists and community groups have come together to keep the spirit of pride alive – with support from UNISON Wakefield Local Government Branch, who are backing the event and standing proudly with the LGBTQ+ community. Wakefield Community Pride is also being supported by Unite the Union – Mid Yorkshire Branch, Mid Yorkshire Teaching Trust and Wakefield Council through the culture grants.

This year's Community Pride will feature **live music, spoken word performances, creative workshops, community stalls, LGBTQ+ artists** and dedicated spaces for rest, **connection and care**. It's a day to celebrate queer joy, honour our histories, and continue the fight for justice – all without corporate sponsorship or pinkwashing.

"Pride hasn't been cancelled – it's been reclaimed," said LonGBoaT Wakefield's David Swyer. "This is a grassroots pride built by and for the community. With the solidarity of local trade unions like UNISON, we're making space for everyone to be seen, supported and celebrated."

UNISON Wakefield Local Government Branch added: "We're proud to support Wakefield Community Pride. Trade union values are LGBTQ+ rights: solidarity, equality and standing together against discrimination. This event is a powerful expression of that." – Sam Greenwood, Branch Secretary.

The event is **free, family-friendly**, and **open to all** who share the values of inclusion, respect and LGBTQ+ liberation. Accessibility and wellbeing are core to the day, with quiet spaces and support available throughout the event.



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### Event Details:

Wakefield City Centre  
Sunday, 10th August 2025  
From 10:00am onwards  
Live performances, art, stalls, food, workshops & more

#WakefieldCommunityPride  
#Wakefield #Pride #Pride2025  
#LonGBoaTWakefield  
#PrideNotCancelled  
#PrideWithPurpose

For more information, to volunteer, or to get involved, visit

**[www.longboatwakefield.org](http://www.longboatwakefield.org)** or follow LonGBoaT Wakefield on social media.

**COMMUNITY  
PRIDE FRINGE**  
**10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025**

**EVENTS ACROSS  
Wakefield CITY CENTRE**

ARTS & CRAFTS / OPEN MIC  
QUEER TALKS / STALLS  
PRIDE LUNCH / CREATIVE WRITING  
AFTERPARTY

**YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR PRIDE**

