**NOTIFICATION OF EVENTS IN HULL CITY CENTRE – SATURDAY 22 AND 29 JULY 2017**

Dear Resident/ Business Owner,

We are writing you to inform of 3 upcoming events happening within the City Centre on:

* Saturday 22 July in Queens Gardens
* Saturday 29 July in Queen Victoria Square and City Hall

Hull 2017 is delighted to present [LGBT 50,](http://www.hull2017.co.uk/lgbt50) a week-long programme of LGBT+ events taking place from 22 to 29 July in partnership with [Pride in Hull](http://www.prideinhull.co.uk/), queer collective [Duckie](http://www.duckie.co.uk/) and a host of partners. Celebrating the icons, struggles and triumphs of the LGBT+ community, this is the biggest event of its kind to take place in the region.

**Saturday 22 July – Hull Pride Celebration and Parade, Queens Gardens**

A colourful, rainbow filled event celebrating 50 years since the partial decriminalisation of homosexuality in England and Wales. Named the first UK Pride we are celebrating with a mixture of music through the decades with performances from: Marc Almond, Sonia, Cleopatra and B•Witched plus a sinfonia. The main event starts to take shape from lunchtime Friday 21st July. Noise monitoring will take place from 2pm until 9pm on the 22 July in Queen’s Gardens.

The Parade will gather in front of Hull College on Wilberforce Drive which will be closed from at 6am on Saturday 22 July. The parade begins at 12 noon and for reasons of safety Lowgate, Alfred Gelder Street, Silver Street, Carr Lane, Paragon Street, part of Ferens Way nearest the Cenotaph will remain closed for the duration of the parade. We have 1,500 paraders which apart from emergency vehicles will be foot based accompanied by three bands. There will be a lot of spectators and people looking for the best spot to view the proceedings. The parade should be over by 2.30pm.

**Saturday 29July – LGBT 50 – Duckie Summer Tea Party, Queen Victoria Square  
12:00 – 19:00**

The lively Duckie Summer Tea Party will be taking over Queen Victoria Square and invites everybody to come and enjoy a thrilling afternoon of dance, surprise performances, tea, cake and much more.

There will be amplified sound from this event between the hours of 13:00 – 19:00. Noise levels will be monitored by our team during the event and aim not be excessive, as per Hull City Council’s Environmental Health Nuisance Noise Policy.

**Other than a tea service for a limited number of people we will not be offering any additional food or beverage concessions, so local businesses offering food and or beverages may be busier than normal.**

**Road Closures**

Carr Lane and Paragon Street will be closed to all traffic from ***06:00 Friday 28 July – 09:00 Sunday 30 July 2017* this is for reasons of public safety and to allow for broadcast vehicle parking.**

**Saturday 29 July - LGBT 50 – I Feel Love Concert, Hull City Hall**

**19:30 – 21:30**

The final event of the LGBT 50 programme, this concert will be broadcast live on BBC Radio 2 and will feature artists including; Will Young, Marc Almond, Alison Moyer, and many more.

This event is now sold out.

We hope that this information clearly explains the event details.

If you require any further information regarding Pride in Hull, please contact the organisers**: *info@prideinhull.co.uk***

If you require any further information regarding Duckie’s Summer Tea Party please contact Hull 2017 via email at [theteam@hull2017.co.uk](mailto:theteam@hull2017.co.uk)

Both Hull Pride and the Duckie Summer Tea Party will operate an event phone line for enquiries on ***INSERT PHONE NUMBER***

***Pride in Hull 07447 028301***

***Please note that this number will only be manned during event operational hours, please use the email addresses above for enquiries outside of event hours.***

Your sincerely,

**The Team**

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