

Cornwall Pride

TRURO PRIDE 2026

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rather than standing by

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KEY MESSAGES

- **Celebration is still a key component of the day**, the only change is how we begin the event.
- **This is a peaceful demonstration**. It will be calm, welcoming and family friendly.
- **Everyone is welcome**. This is not just for LGBTQ+ people; we are inviting everyone who believes in dignity, safety, community and mutual respect to join us.
- **Cornwall stands together**. We will be marching with the Union Flag, Saint Piran's Flag and the Cornwall Pride flag to represent our community, shared values and inclusion.
- **Safety comes first**. We are working closely with Devon & Cornwall Police, security providers and welfare teams. Participant safety remains our highest priority.

FAQs

Why have you changed the march?

We believe that Pride has always been more than a celebration. Visible solidarity is called for in the face of growing hostility towards LGBTQ+ people and other marginalised groups.

Is this a protest?

It is a peaceful **Solidarity March** inspired by the roots of the Pride movement. It is peaceful, lawful and family-friendly.

Are you expecting any trouble?

No, we are planning a peaceful event. As with any large event, we are working closely with Devon & Cornwall Police and have organised appropriate security and welfare measures.

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Is this political?

Pride has always advocated for human rights, equality and respect; as such, the march is about standing together against hatred. It is not affiliated with any political party.

Why are you using the Union Flag?

The Union Flag represents everyone. We want to demonstrate that dignity, safety, compassion, acceptance and inclusion are values upheld by everyone in the UK.

Why are you using the Saint Piran's Flag?

This is Cornwall, and the Saint Piran's Flag represents our shared home here, and our belief that Cornwall is strongest when all communities stand together, all welcomed and respected equally.

Why invite other communities?

Hatred rarely affects just one group of people. Standing together demonstrates the strength in unity and community, and shows that an attack on one community concerns us all.

Who can attend?

Everyone! Whether you are LGBTQ+, an ally, part of another community or simply believe that hate has no place in Cornwall, you are welcome.

Can I bring a flag?

Yes, we welcome Pride Flags, Saint Piran's Flags, Union Flags and flags representing communities and organisations attending in solidarity.

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Can I bring a protest sign?

Absolutely! You are welcome to bring your own or make one at Hendra Park before the march. We only ask that all signs remain respectful and do not contain abusive or threatening language.

What if there is a counter-protest?

We ask everyone attending not to engage. Our focus remains on our message of safety, respect, solidarity and inclusion. Police and security will manage any issues that may arise.

What if someone is abusive towards me?

Please do not respond. Speak to one of our marshals, welfare volunteers or security team. We are there to support you.

How can people help?

Attend the march, bring friends and family, share the event, march peacefully, support one another.

Why now?

We don't believe that it is responsible to continue as though nothing has changed. Many people in our communities are feeling less safe than they have for years. Before we celebrate, we want to create a visible moment of solidarity that says everyone deserves to live with dignity, safety and respect

This year we're beginning Truro Pride with a peaceful Solidarity March because when any community is targeted by hate, we stand together rather than stand by.