

Hi all,

For those unable to attend the last meeting in June, I have put together this short letter to let you know what's going on at Lancashire Friend this month....and beyond!

The compilation and distribution of Blush Packs to venues and organisations throughout Lancashire continues and LF will be putting together a report which covers the financial year which will show funding bodies just how their money is spent on this essential role. This will also be expanded to a post out service for those who request Blush Packs but cannot access them via LGBT venues and dental dams to be included in our distribution network.

Training was extremely successful and a big thank you to all those who attended. Nick is now looking for people to come in and shadow more experienced volunteers or to take up shifts on the helpline.

Befriending is also starting to pick up with more requests being referred from other agencies or via the helpline. If anyone is interested in helping Les with this side of the service, please contact the office.

And speaking of the office....please keep it tidy, folks! Those trays are there for a reason and some of us even check them so if you have something you want to leave for an exec member or another volunteer, don't just leave it lying around.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 25th July 7.30pm Jarman Centre. We will be making the final arrangements for Manchester Mardi Gras so please try to make it along. If you know you can't possibly be there, talk to or e-mail Nick, Les or Wendy. We'd like everyone to take part this year – even in a small way – so don't miss out.

The next social will be a walk, guided by Les. Date to be confirmed so keep an eye on the website.

And on the subject of the website, we're launching a partner update which will be e-mailed out on a quarterly basis so are already on the lookout for articles or photos (clean and virtuous only). Get in touch.

Hope to see you on the 25th.

Take care,

Wendy