**Public Sector Equality Award Nomination Form**

The annual PinkNews Awards evening recognises the contributions of all of those who campaign for and achieve LGBT+ equality at home and overseas.

For public sector employers interested in having their LGBT+ efforts and achievements celebrated, the first step is to enter a nomination by answering the questions below.  The nomination will then be assessed by a judging panel which consists of members of the PinkNews team and leading politicians, business and community leaders. The judging panel will suggest a shortlist which will be voted on by PinkNews readers and a final judging panel.

To put your organisation forward to be considered for an award please answer the questions below providing as much information as possible. The deadline to complete this nomination form is **Tuesday 31 March 2020**. Please email the completed form and attach any relevant evidence to support your nomination in an email to Molly Tinneny at awards@pinknews.co.uk. There is no cost to submit a nomination.

**Form Methodology**

The Public Sector Equality Award celebrates the efforts that public sector employers have undertaken to improve LGBT+ equality over the past year.

PinkNews are interested to hear about your efforts in the following areas:

* Demonstrable commitment to LGBT+ awareness and empowerment in your sector. If applicable, include details of any international aspect of your work with the LGBT+ community.
* Commitment to LGBT+ visibility in advertising campaigns, online presence, and events.
* Internal LGBT+ initiatives set up for employees and allies, such as societies, networking groups, etc.
* External LGBT+ initiatives set up for suppliers, customers, and clients, as well as any collaborations with other LGBT+ organisations.
* Details of any intersectional projects your organization is undertaking, as well as efforts to enhance bisexual visibility, or transgender awareness.

Please also describe what policies/processes are already in place and if there are any further plans to develop anything else to benefit LGBT+ employees, customers, clients and suppliers.

We wish you the best of luck with your nomination. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any further questions.

*Please note: We welcome applications from all organisations, big or small.*

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| **Your job title/position:**  |

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| **What LGBT+ initiatives do you run internally, for your LGBT+ employees and allies? *(Max. 400 Words)*** |

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| **What LGBT+ initiatives do you run externally, for suppliers, customers, and clients, as well as working with other LGBT+ organisations? *(Max.400 words)***  |

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| **How do you lead the public sector on LGBT+ issues? *(Max. 300 words)*** |

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| **Please provide testimonials from an LGBT+ staff network or staff member**  |