

Website editorial policy

Website editorial protocols:

Editorial control of this website ultimately resides with the Trustees of OutStories Bristol.

Day-to-day running and development of the website is delegated to a website sub-group.

The Trustees of OutStories Bristol shall nominate specific people to act as Website Editor(s). The editor(s) shall jointly decide on routine editorial matters (content, appearance, etc). The Trustees may terminate an editor's appointment at any time. The Trustees must be notified when an editor resigns or withdraws, and the termination must be recorded.

A Website Administrator shall be responsible for maintenance of the website and providing other online resources (email, data storage, etc). The website administrator must be a Trustee and shall be nominated in accordance with the procedure for election of officers stated in the Constitution of OutStories Bristol.

Website editorial guidelines:

Website content shall be about:

- lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans people living in or associated with Bristol and its surrounds, and
- be of a historical nature or record their past experiences and stories.

Articles should not repeat extensive material that is readily available on other websites.

All articles and comments shall be moderated (i.e. read and approved) by the editor(s).

The editor(s) reserve the right to reject or edit submissions.

Submissions will be rejected or edited if they are abusive, offensive or inaccurate.

Any reference to the sexuality of living persons must be either:

- approved by the person concerned, or
- based on evidence from an authoritative source.

The editor(s) must seek prior approval of the Trustees before publishing any article that may be highly controversial or have serious repercussions on the group. The decision of the Trustees is final.

Any amendment to these Protocols and Guidelines must be approved by the Trustees.

Website comments policy

All articles and comments are moderated (i.e. read and approved) by the editor before publication. Please be patient – this may take a few days!

The editor reserves the right to reject or edit submissions.

Comments will only be published if they are:

- about LGBT people living in or associated with Bristol and its surrounds, and
- they are of a historical nature or record peoples' past experiences and stories.

Please keep your comments and replies relevant to the topic on that page.

Comments will be rejected or edited if they are abusive, offensive or inaccurate.

Any reference to the sexuality of living persons must be either:

- approved by the person concerned, or

- based on evidence from an authoritative source.

If appropriate, please provide email/contact details of the person concerned, or quote the source of the information.

Much as we appreciate “great article” or “thanks for this”, we regret that such comments will not be published unless they also include information of value to other readers.

Thank you.