

LGBT+ & Ageing

Supporting older and elder LGBT+ people

LGBT+ people are often invisible later in life and their experiences in older adult care can vary from supportive and positive to isolating and distressing.

The event is open to anyone working to support older and elder LGBT+ people in a range of services including:

- Adult Social Care
- Voluntary and community groups
- Individuals

We welcome practitioners and managers within adult social care, commissioners and providers of services supporting older populations, peoples accessing these services, and their friends and families.



Join us online on:

Thursday 7th December 2023

4pm - 6pm

to raise awareness for LGBT+ experiences of ageing, and discuss how inclusive care practices in different roles can be highlighted, developed, and improved.

To book, email us at:

info@diversitytrust.org.uk

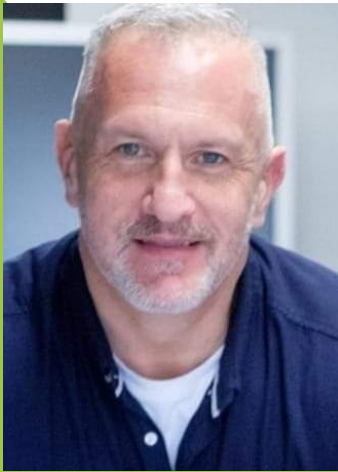


Chaired by Ian Boulton of South Gloucestershire Council, we'll be exploring the challenges faced, and the solutions in working with older and elder LGBT+ people.

The event will include discussion from three key speakers:

- **Dr Paul Willis**
Cardiff University
LGBT+ & Ageing
- **Dr Wenjing Zhang**
University of Kent
Supporting Older
LGBT+ People's
Moves in Later Life
- **Cheryl Morgan**
The Diversity Trust
Supporting Trans
People in Later Life





Ian Boulton
South Gloucestershire Council

Ian has over 30 years' experience of working with all levels of the private, public, charitable and voluntary sectors. As the Leader of the Labour Group, Ian is the Co-Leader of South Gloucestershire Council. He represents the ward of Staple Hill and Mangotsfield

Ian is the Chair of the South Gloucestershire LGBT+ Equality Network. He sits on the South Gloucestershire Independent Advisory Group for Avon and Somerset Police, is a Bristol Ambassador for Alabaré and is a Trustee of Bristol and South Gloucestershire Girl Guiding.



Dr Paul Willis
Cardiff University

Paul is a Professor in Adult Social Care at Cardiff University and head of the new Centre for Research in Adult Social Care (CARE). Over the last 12 years, Paul has led and been involved in a number of research projects looking at ways of providing more inclusive care home services for older LGBT+ people in England and Wales. His research areas include: older men's experiences of loneliness and social isolation; sexuality, care and ageing; trans ageing and gender identity; inclusive care provision for diverse groups of older people; and; LGBT+ youth health and wellbeing.



Dr Wenjing Zhang
University of Kent

A trained social worker and research fellow, Wenjing is based at the University of Kent, pursuing her research interests in health and social care, ageing and social policy at the Centre for Health Services Studies. Prior to joining the University of Kent, she worked as a research and teaching associate at the University of Bristol. Her research interests focus on ageing and social care for older people, and she has worked across policy- and practice- oriented research projects including the Care Under the Rainbow Project alongside Dr Paul Willis and Berkeley Wilde of The Diversity Trust.



Cheryl Morgan
The Diversity Trust

Cheryl is a senior consultant with The Diversity Trust, specialising in transgender experiences and issues. Her lived experience as trans woman brings an invaluable perspective to the Trust's LGBTQ+ Team. In addition to her role as consultant, Cheryl has worked with government and charity sector organisations in the Bath and Bristol areas. She's a former Co-Chair of Out Stories Bristol, and is a science fiction critic and publisher. A keen writer and historian, she lectures regularly on trans history and science fiction and fantasy literature.

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