B3 Divest and reclaim pride

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Agenda item: B Motions of Policy and Organisation

Summary

This motion seeks for us to campaign against companies using their funding of pride as a method of pinkwashing and for pride organisations to cut ties with these companies.

Notes:

- Barclays has funnelled £91bn into fossil fuels since the signing of the Paris Climate Accord in 2015
- Drilling for fossil fuels causes the destruction of ecosystems, displacement of indigenous people and contributes to the climate crisis which threatens everyone
- By funding pride Barclays is attempting to pinkwash it's involvement in the climate crisis
- Pride has become increasingly funded by large companies, causing much of pride to be taken away from the community

Believes:

- Divesting from pride is the only way for the queer community to reclaim the event and make sure that it is representative of everyone and there are no barriers to participation
- This will follow the trend of pride events divesting from BP in 2017 and other companies that were linked with the arms trade, and the ministry of defence's presence at events
- Pink capitalism is not liberation

Resolves:

- Pride to be returned to the community that created it
- Pride to be divested from companies who fund the climate crisis

Supporters

Dylan Lewis-Creser (North Northamptonshire Green Party); George Morris (Manchester green party); Billy Wassell (Cheltenham); Ria Patel (Sutton and Croydon Green Party)