

THE SIBYLS

A Christian Spirituality Group for Transgender People

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Congratulations to Jenny-Anne Christine Bishop O.B.E.

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Jenny-Anne, convener of the Sibyls committee, is made an O.B.E. in the Queen's New Year's Honours list for her work on behalf of transgender people



For decades, Jenny-Anne has worked relentlessly to improve the standing of Trans-people in our society, as well as to help many individuals. It would be invidious to try to tease out individual examples of her activity, and impertinent to attempt a catalogue, but it is worth pointing out the effect over the whole of society of the work of such activists as Jenny-Anne and so many others, amongst whom a special word must also be kept for our Sibyls founder, Jay Walmsley. By being so reasonable, intelligent, yet single-minded, they have helped bring about a revolution in social attitudes. The older members amongst us have lived through that revolution, and have much to be grateful for. It is far from over—indeed it probably never will be. These improvements in the opportunities, freedoms and rights enjoyed by trans people have not come free of charge. They have been worked for..... Hard.

Jenny-Anne also works on several Equality Steering and Scrutiny groups. She is a trustee of Sparkle. She coordinates TransForum Manchester and helps manage Unique, the largest Transgender support group in Wales which provides daily engagement with the Transgender community. She is also an organiser of TDOR in Manchester. A member of the Gender Dysphoria stakeholder team for the DoH / NHS England and the WHSSC partnership board in Wales, Jenny-Anne is also a lay pastoral leader and Board of Directors member of Manchester Metropolitan (LGBT) Church, a member of the Westminster Parliamentary Forum on Gender Identity, and the Welsh Strategic Equality Plan Board

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