

THE TROWBRIDGE ISLAMIC TRUST

Charity number: 1069063

Annual Report 2024

Presented by: The Trustees

The year 2024 has been a significant and productive period for the Trust. Guided by our mission to serve the community, promote understanding of Islam, and provide opportunities for education and spiritual growth, we have successfully undertaken numerous activities in line with our charter.

These achievements have only been possible through the tireless efforts and dedication of our trustees, volunteers, and members of the wider community who continue to give their time and energy for the sake of our shared goals. Below is a summary of the main highlights and accomplishments during the year.

1. Religious and Spiritual Activities

Daily congregational prayers continued to be held throughout the year, providing a consistent space for worship and reflection for the local Muslim community. These regular gatherings have strengthened the sense of unity and belonging among attendees, offering spiritual nourishment and mutual support.

In addition, the Trust organised weekly Friday sermons (khutbahs), which were attended by more than 200 people on average. These sermons covered a wide range of topics, from moral and ethical guidance to discussions on social responsibility, family values, and community cohesion. The steady attendance and engagement during these sessions demonstrate the importance of the mosque as a hub for both spiritual and community life.

2. Educational Initiatives

One of the Trust's proudest achievements remains the ongoing success of the Sunday Islamic School, which has now been operating continuously for more than eight years. This year, the school provided Islamic education to over 80 children, covering subjects such as Qur'an recitation, Islamic studies, and moral development.

The school is supported by a dedicated team of more than five volunteer teachers who generously contribute their time and expertise. Their commitment ensures that the children not only learn about their faith but also develop positive character traits and a sense of belonging to their community.

3. Community Engagement and Outreach

The Trust has remained deeply engaged with the wider community throughout the year. We hosted ten visits from local primary schools and scout groups, during which visitors were given tours of the mosque and interactive presentations about Islam. These sessions provided valuable opportunities for dialogue and helped promote mutual understanding and respect among people of different faiths and backgrounds.

Additionally, members of the Trust also visited local primary schools to speak about Islam and share insights into Muslim beliefs and practices. These visits were warmly received by teachers and pupils alike, helping to dispel misconceptions and foster positive interfaith relations.

4. Youth Development and Activities

Our youth club continued to operate actively during the year, catering to young people aged 8 to 18. The club offers a safe and supportive environment where young members can take part in educational, recreational, and social activities. Sessions were held multiple times each week, promoting teamwork, confidence, and personal development.

During school holidays, the Trust also organised a number of trips and excursions for the youth, allowing them to enjoy enriching experiences while strengthening friendships and community ties. These activities have proven invaluable in keeping young people engaged in positive pursuits and connected to their faith and community.

5. Charity and Social Support

As part of our charitable mission, the Trust provided meals to an average of 30 people each evening during the month of Ramadan. This initiative ensured that those in need or without family support were able to enjoy a nutritious meal after breaking their fast.

Beyond Ramadan, the Trust continued to assist local individuals and families facing hardship by offering both spiritual and practical support. We also welcomed visits from diverse community groups seeking space for reflection, counselling, and other forms of assistance.

The Trust successfully coordinated and delivered support initiatives for residents in need, further strengthening our role as a pillar of compassion and care within the community.

6. Partnerships and Collaboration

We continued to strengthen relationships with other local organisations and agencies, including WICC, WIFF, the police, and a variety of local businesses and charities. These collaborations have helped us to deliver joint community projects, improve safety awareness, and promote shared values of respect, inclusion, and cooperation.

Through these partnerships, we have been able to extend the reach and impact of our work, demonstrating the positive contribution that faith-based organisations can make to civic and community life.

7. Infrastructure and Development Projects

A major milestone achieved this year was the completion of Stage Two of the new building project. This development represents a significant step toward improving our facilities and creating a more welcoming, accessible, and functional space for worship, education, and community activities.

The trustees extend sincere thanks to all donors, volunteers, and contractors whose contributions have brought us closer to our vision of a fully completed community centre and mosque that will serve future generations.

8. Public Engagement and Open Day Initiative

In 2024, the Trust introduced a new monthly Open Day, during which the mosque was opened to the wider public. These sessions have become an important opportunity for members of the local community—Muslims and non-Muslims alike—to learn more about Islam, ask questions, and observe prayer in a friendly and welcoming environment.

Each Open Day attracted an average of 25 attendees, including local residents, students, and visitors from other faith groups. The positive feedback received has encouraged us to continue and expand this initiative in the coming year.

Conclusion

The year 2024 has been one of meaningful progress and continued service. The Trust remains deeply committed to upholding its values of faith, learning, and community welfare. None of these achievements would have been possible without the dedication of our trustees, the enthusiasm of our volunteers, and the generosity of our supporters.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has contributed to our mission throughout the year and look forward to building on this strong foundation in the years ahead.

Mohammed El-Filali

On behalf of the Trustees

Date: 30 October 2025

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Statement of Accounts

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Income

Description	£
Donations	25,648.25
Total Income	25,648.25

Expenditure

Description	£
Events	894.25
Repairs and Maintenance	13,254.41
Merchant Charges	550.51
Telephone	470.54
Utilities	1,248.88
Sundry Expenses	85.12
Funeral Expenses	4,995.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,096.45
Insurance	798.44
Equipment	2,501.10
Bank Charges	178.65
Total Expenditure	26,073.35

Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year

	£
Surplus / (Deficit)	(425.10)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

Description	£
Balance brought forward (1 January 2024)	48,785.78
Balance carried forward (31 December 2024)	48,352.56
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year	433.22

Based on the records, documents, and supporting evidence presented, I hereby certify that the above statement represents a true and fair view of the accounts of Trowbridge Islamic Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Signed: 

Imad Ahmad – IFA MIPA

Independent Financial Accountant

Date: 30 October 2025