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# ISLAMIC NETWORK ANNUAL TRUSTEE & FINANCIAL REPORT

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*For the year ended 31st December 2021*



ISLAMIC NETWORK

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## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

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As-salamu 'Alaykum,

Our communal responsibility is to engage the young people in our community effectively. Moreover, the ever-changing world presents new situations that young people must overcome in their journey towards adulthood.

According to the 2011 Census, young people (under 25) make up 48% of the Muslim community in the UK. Recognising they are a significant segment of our society, we designed, developed and piloted our 'Youth Engagement Framework' this year.

It was built over a decade of delivering direct youth engagement sessions for local communities across the UK through our flagship projects such as NITEMANIA and CRAZIA.

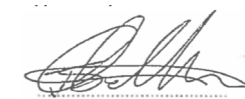
*Our framework helps individuals and organisations to engage and nurture young people into becoming the future leaders of our community.*

Due to successive government policies, youth clubs and specific youth facilities have closed their doors to the community. This has been detrimental to young people, especially Muslims, leaving a gaping hole in catering to their ever-growing needs.

Our youth engagement framework has helped plug this hole by establishing the Mosque or other local community organisations as a hub for weekly youth engagement activities. Through this, young men and women will find a welcoming, safe, and supportive environment in their Mosque to grow.

We look forward to scaling this initiative that we have been incubating nationwide.

Jazakallah-Khair,



MR JAMEIL CHAUDHRY  
Chairman



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## CHARITABLE OBJECTS

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Our charitable objects are to advance the Islamic faith for the benefit of the public by acting as a resource for young people and voluntary sector organisations. To provide guidance, networking opportunities, media, literature and training. To organise programmes of spiritual, mental, physical and educational support that will develop a positive identity and allow them to confidently participate in society.

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## VISION & MISSION

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At Islamic Network, we have seen first-hand that if a young man or woman is confident in their identity, has a clear sense of purpose, and has the tools to succeed in life. Coupled with a connection with their community - with Allah's help, they will be ready to overcome the challenges life places in front of them.

Our vision at Islamic Network is to enable our community partners to become a hub where young people can develop their identity and capabilities to become role models for each other and the wider society.

We do this by working with local community organisations to engage young people weekly at the grassroots level in their community by implementing our online and in-person youth engagement framework quarterly in collaboration with our network of partners.

With over a year of lockdowns, the impact on our young men and women has been catastrophic. There has never been a more crucial time to step up and act.

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✓ *Positive Islamic Identity*    ✓ *Positive Character Traits*    ✓ *Positive Role Models*

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## ACTIVITY REPORT

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### OUR ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES

In 2021, coming out of successive lockdowns, we piloted the delivery of our 'Youth Engagement Framework' in five London and the home counties. We delivered projects like 'The Game Spot' and 'The Big Brunch' and subsequently established weekly 'Youth Hubs'. We also launched our podcast to explore real-life topics and the root cause of what drives young people.

Our Youth Hubs across the UK delivered 249 sessions for 1,355 young people between May and December 2021 – an average of 5 youth engagement sessions a week!

During that time, we had Youth Hubbs running in the following locations:

- The London Borough of Hackney,
- The London Borough of Brent,
- The London Borough of Enfield,
- The London Borough of Waltham Forrest,
- Bedfordshire.

**249**

*Sessions*

**1,355**

*Young People*



"THE YOUTH  
ARE NOT  
THE  
FUTURE,  
THEY  
ARE THE  
**PRESENT**,  
THEIR  
CHILDREN  
ARE THE  
**FUTURE**."

## JANUARY 2021

### LOCKDOWN 3.0 - WHAT MOSQUES NEED TO KNOW IN 'TIER 5'

In response to the announcement that the UK would go into its third national lockdown, we organised an impromptu online roundtable discussion for Mosques in our network and others to have instant feedback and analysis on how to carry their community through this next period of shutdown.

Given that places of worship can remain open, discussions took place on various topics, including effective youth engagement strategies, additional safety measures, medical advice and guidance for Mosques to share with their communities.

We were honoured to have 149 people register for the session at short notice, which included:

- 26 Imams
- 21 Mosque Trustees
- 11 Mosque Chairmans
- 11 Teachers
- 7 Directors Of Organisations
- 6 Doctors
- 4 Head Teachers

Our thanks to Dr Wajid Akhter (BIMA), Jahangir Mohammed (Communica), Iqbal Nasim (NZF), Hamza Ahmed (Islamic Network), Foziya Reddy (Islamic Network) and Shaykh Suleiman Gani (Al Khalil Institute/Purley Masjid) for their expert analysis and insight.

**LOCKDOWN  
3.0**  
What Mosques Need  
To Know In 'Tier 5'  
Online Roundtable Discussion

Lockdown 3.0 Social Media Post

### NEW SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY LAUNCHED

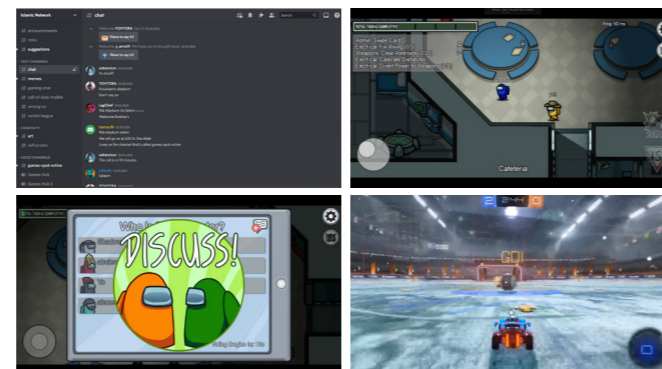
We launched a new social media strategy to explore key themes outlined in our youth engagement framework – identity, role models, community and more.



Social Media Posts

### THE GAME SPOT: ONLINE!

Due to the impending lockdown, we decided to take The Game Spot Online! We created a private room on Discord to chat with everyone and we played multiplayer games such as Among Us and Rocket League.



Pictures from The Game Spot: Online

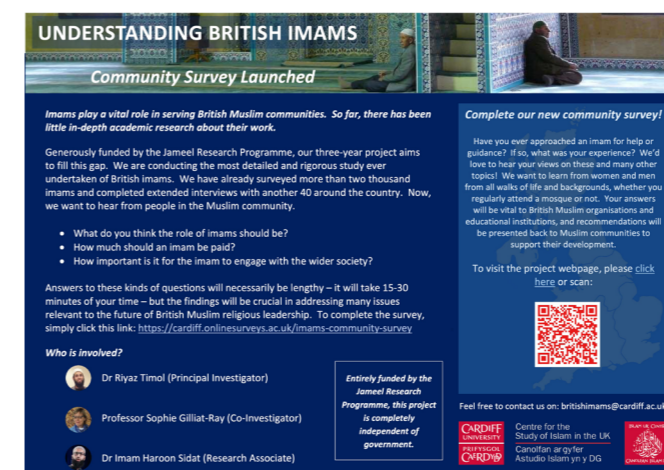
## FEBRUARY 2021

### 'UNDERSTANDING BRITISH IMAMS' STUDY

In February, we were contacted by Maulana Dr Haroon Sidat from Cardiff University's Centre for the Study of Islam in the UK to support their study on 'Understanding British Imams'.

Imams play a significant role in British Muslim communities, yet relatively little academic research has emerged about them. We support this project by reaching out to our network of Mosques and other community organisations to help understand more about British imams and their day-to-day work.

The outcome of this will be that wider society will better appreciate the role imams play in modern Britain. The researchers working on this project were Dr Riyaz Timol, Professor Sophie Gilliat-Ray and Maulana Dr Haroon Sidat.



Understanding British Imams

### THE DIGITAL MOSQUE: DELIVERING ENGAGING SERMONS & BAYANS

In February, as the month of Ramadan drew nearer, we needed to keep our families and community as safe as possible by minimising COVID-19 transmission. To that end, we were invited by the Muslim Council Of Britain (MCB) to deliver a session on "The Digital Mosque: Delivering Engaging Sermons & Bayans".



Event Poster

MARCH  
2021

## BRITISH RITUAL INNOVATION UNDER COVID-19

In March, we were invited by the Manchester Metropolitan University to be part of their Action Research Group exploring "British Ritual Innovation under COVID-19".

We worked with Dr Paulina Kolata (Postdoctoral Research Associate), who said, "I attended your workshop back in November as part of the "Our Mosques, Our Future" Conference organised by the MCB where you shared your experiences on developing Mosque services digitally. your reflections really struck me on creating "digital Masjid". We have subsequently connected via LinkedIn, and I have been observing your work since then.

I would like to invite you to join our Action Research Group. We are assembling a group of ritual makers/facilitators as a forum for discussion about solutions you have already or would like to employ to support religious communities' ritual life. For example, this may include the ways you have supported mosque communities with developing digital outreach strategies. The forum will serve as a way of sharing best practice, discussing ideas of what is or is not working and why."

The study was published in September 2021 with our report on 'Taking Mosques Digital' on pages 98-99. In it, we discussed the strategy we developed for Mosques in our network and others to engage and empower their local communities online, on the radio, and across social media. To date, we have been able to impact 258 Mosques in the UK and worldwide. Some of those who benefitted from our strategy said that before engaging with us, they felt a little lost and needed guidance to cope with the uncertainty of the lockdown.

As noted in the report, the feedback we received from Mosques and other community organisations across the country was that

# British Ritual Innovation under COVID-19

Joshua Edelman  
Alana Vincent  
Paulina Kolata  
Eleanor O'Keeffe

Katja Stuerzenhofecker • Mark A. Minott  
David Lowe • Jennie Bailey • Charles Pemberton



*British Ritual Innovation under COVID-19 PDF Guide*

this project filled a gap, and the impact was that engagement went up across the board.

Going digital made mosque services, aside from ritual prayer, open to all community segments, including working individuals, parents, and children. We advised 'councils' of mosques like the Muslim Council of Britain (MCB), the Muslim Council of Wales (MCW) and the UK Islamic Mission (UKIM) on how to improve the digitisation of their affiliates, as well as delivering training for them.

From small shopfront mosques like Harlesden Ummah to purpose-built mosques like Cambridge Central Mosque or the East London Mosque and London Muslim Centre, this project gave direction at such an uncertain time in our collective history.

## THE BIG BRUNCH

We launched 'The Big Brunch' for young women at our hub in Dalston in the London Borough of Hackney. Every week they got together to learn how to make various brunch items from around the world while casually having a friendly chat. They also discussed issues they may face in the 21st century, all in a safe environment with like-minded people.



*The Big Brunch Poster*



*Pictures from The Big Brunch*



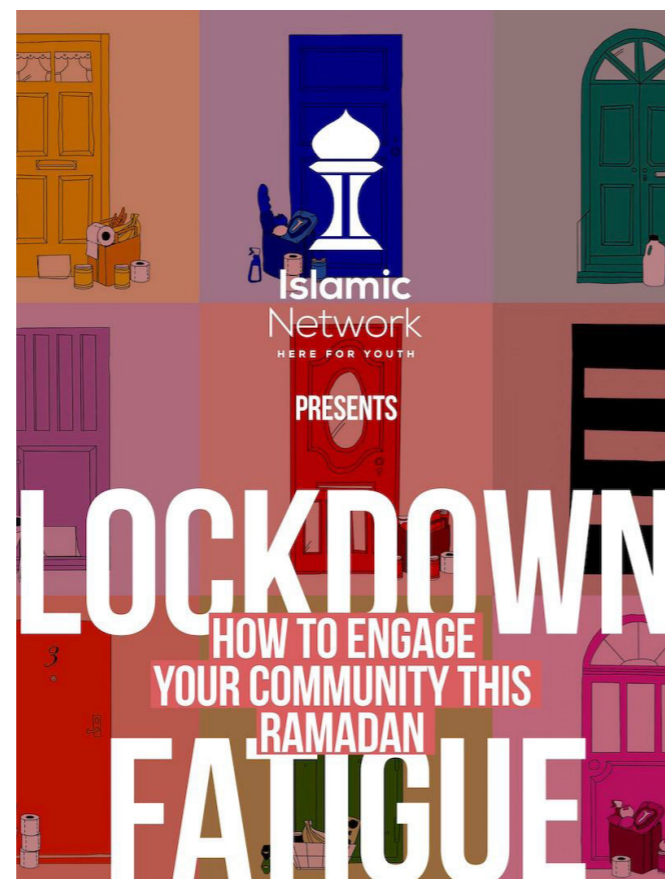
The Three C's Poster

## HOW TO ENGAGE YOUR COMMUNITY THIS RAMADAN

To help Mosques and other community organisations in our network plan what to offer their local community in Ramadan, we delivered this webinar where we overviewed "The 3 C's" every Mosque and local community organisations should aim to achieve this Ramadan.

## THE 3 C'S - ENGAGE YOUR MOSQUES COMMUNITIES THIS RAMADAN - LAUNCHGOOD

Following the successful delivery of our pre-Ramadan session, we were invited by LaunchGood to deliver a similar presentation, this time to their vast network of Charities, including Mosques and other community groups, on how to engage their communities in Ramadan.



Lockdown Fatigue PDF Guide

## GUIDE LAUNCHED: LOCKDOWN FATIGUE: HOW TO ENGAGE YOUR COMMUNITY THIS RAMADAN

In this guide, we discussed 'The Three C's' that every Mosque should aim to achieve during Ramadan insha'Allah. Namely to Collaborate, Communicate and build Community.

Ramadan 2021 was seen as a beacon of hope for the Muslim community with the vaccine rollout underway and places of worship open for Taraweeh/night prayers.

Through this guide, we helped Mosques and other community organisations to understand how this is an opportunity for them to develop your community's mental, physical, and spiritual well-being and reestablish the Mosque's role as the hub of it.

## THE GAME SPOT: AFTER LOCKDOWN - FACE MASKS ON!

We went back to in-person youth engagement sessions once lockdown was over with our face masks on. Young people enjoyed returning to the youth sessions. They just needed somewhere they felt at ease after a stressful period of lockdown being stuck at home.



Pictures from our youth engagement sessions in March

## COFFEE MASTERCLASS

To engage our amazing volunteers we decided to hold a fun coffee workshop where we showcased a live interactive demonstration on the process of making a fresh brew! Alongside this we planned ahead with everyone in attendance to help us grow our aims as an organisation.



APRIL-MAY (RAMADAN)  
2021

PODCAST LAUNCH!

In Ramadan 2021, we launched the Here For Youth Show on YouTube and Instagram, targeting young people and those who work with- or aspire to work with young people.

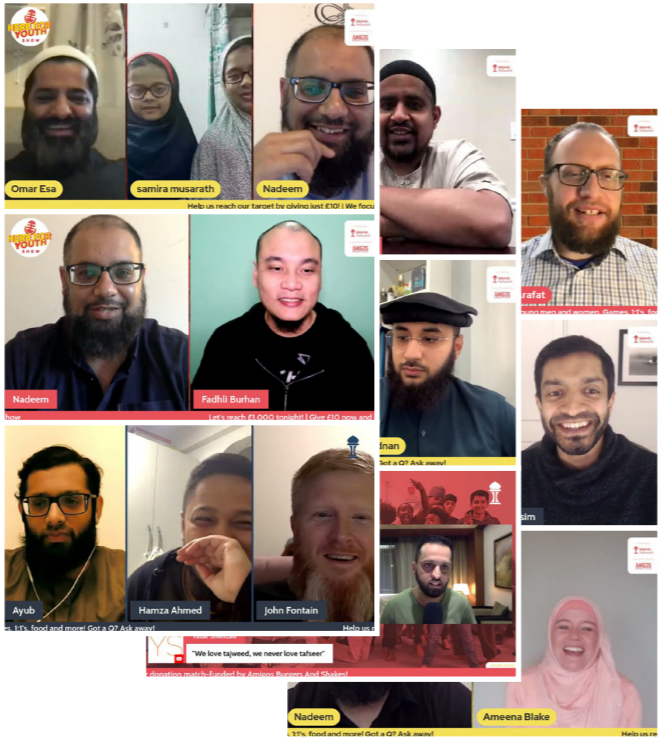
Special Guests included;

- Omar Esa (Nasheed Artist)
- Iqbal Nasim (NZF - National Zakat Foundation)
- Dr Deen (University Lecturer and Social Worker)
- Fadhli Burhan (Malaysia)
- Bro Lim Jooi Soon (Malaysia)
- Shoaib Hussain (The Sunnah Guy)
- Zeeshan Ali (Smile 2 Jannah)
- Dr Salman Butt (Islam 21C)
- Nusaybah (Muslim Mama)
- Khidr Muhammad (Blogger)
- Iqbal Nasim (NZF)
- Sheikha Fatima Barkatulla (CEO of Muslim Womanhood)
- Ustadha Ameena Blake (Muslim Chaplain and Lecturer)
- Imam Anwar Arafat (Memphis Islamic Center, USA)
- Mufti Yaseen Shaikh (Islamic Society of Baltimore, USA)
- Musa Adnan (iERA)
- Ibrahim Khan (IFG - Islamic Finance Guru)
- Shaykh Dr Yusuf Abdul-Jobbar (Ibn Rushd Centre)
- John Fontain (Young Smirks Podcast Host)

We discussed music, Islamic Media, Youth Work, Digital Dawah, Personal Finances, Safe Spaces For Teenagers, The Role Of Mosques and more!



Here For Youth Podcast Social Media Post



Here For Youth Podcast Shows

JUNE  
2021

THIRTY-TWO YOUTH  
ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS

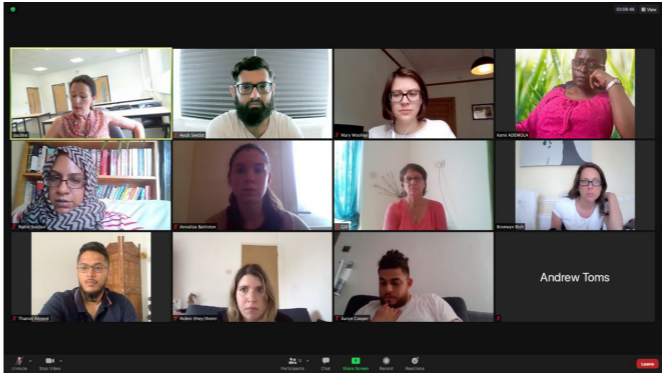
From April to June, Islamic Network has engaged 151 young people weekly via 32 youth engagement sessions at five youth hubs we've established.

NINETEEN COACHING SESSIONS

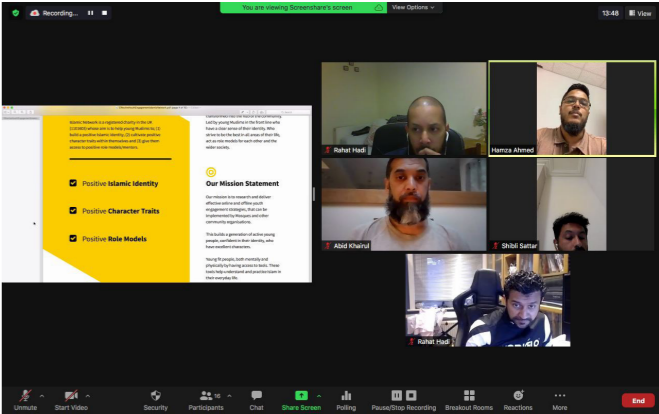
In addition, we delivered 19 development sessions to our network of existing and new youth hubs we are onboarding.

ONLINE YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

As part of our ongoing development as a team, we completed Online Youth Mental Health Champion training from MHFA England



MHFA Zoom Training



Online Training and Coaching Session



Partner youth session in June

JULY  
2021

## 110 LIVES IMPACTED IN JULY!

July 2021 was another milestone month where we engaged 110 young people per week at four youth hubs we've established so far!

These hubs were in Leyton, Palmers Green, Harlesden and Milton Keynes! These hubs engaged the young people in their local area in unique ways this month, some choosing to organise excursions, others staying closer to home.

Trips to the beach and a BBQ in nature were some of the exciting programmes on the agenda.

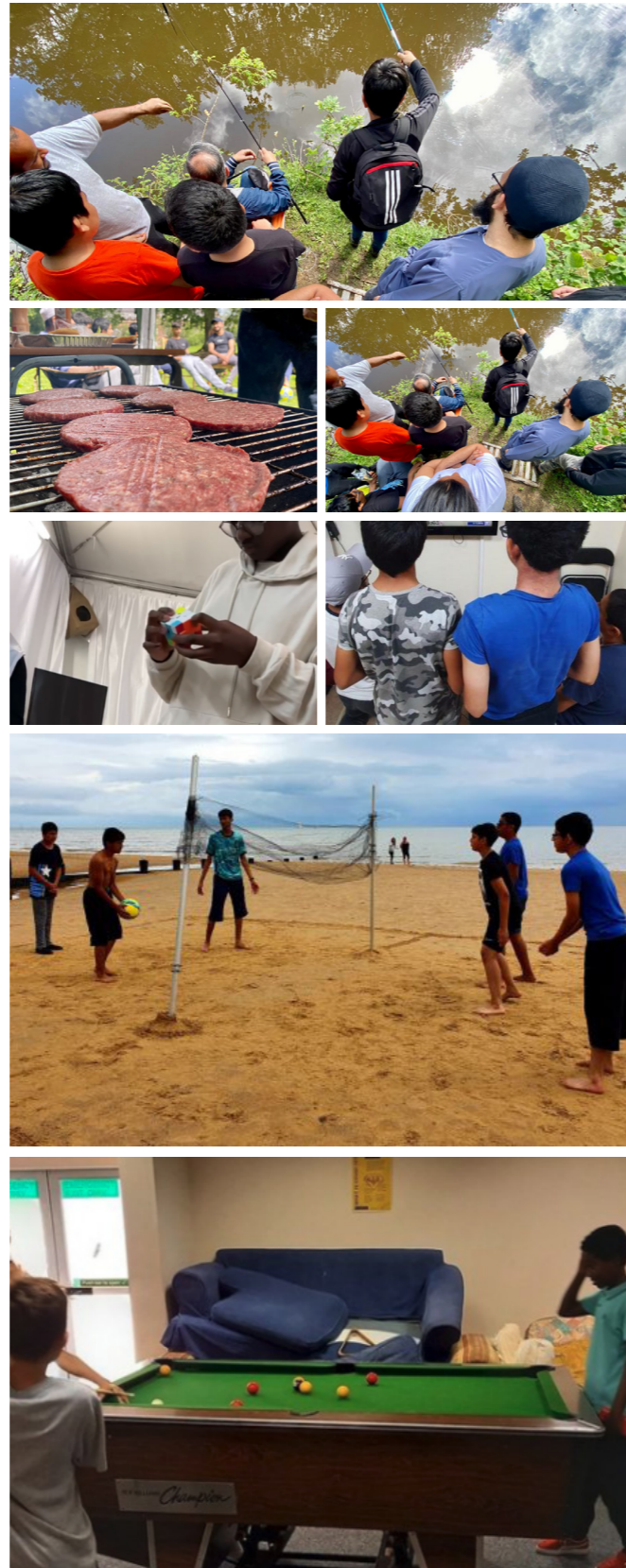
## UK CIVIL SERVICE MUSLIM NETWORK TRAINING

We also trained 70+ leaders from the UK Civil Service Muslim Network (CSMN) on engaging with young men and women. One attendee commented that by combining her faith, experience, and background, she could shape the community and be part of a change that will empower the younger generation to develop personally and professionally.

The CSMN is the sole cross-government, departmental umbrella network representing and supporting departmental Muslim networks and civil servants.

## NINE COACHING SESSIONS

We also delivered nine development sessions to our network of existing and upcoming youth hubs on various topics, from youth engagement to organisational development.

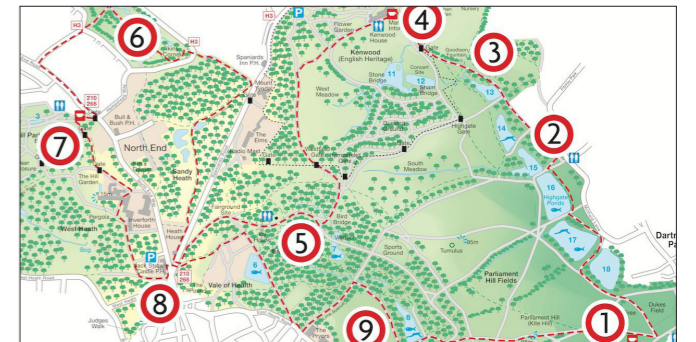


*Pictures from our partner youth sessions in July*



## WALK FOR THE YOUTH!

With summer upon us, the team organised a ladies-only charity walk in and around the beautiful Parliament Hill in Hampstead. One of the drivers behind the hike was that there is always so much talk about the lack of organised activities for young women and ladies, and so this event directly answered that - it was organised with them in mind first!



*Walk for the Youth Poster*



*Pictures from Charity Walk for Youth*

## AUGUST 2021

### 106 LIVES IMPACTED IN AUGUST!

August saw Islamic Network engage 106 young women and men weekly at four youth hubs we've established so far in the UK despite a summer with everchanging travel and social distancing rules!

One hub that stood out was Young MK, in partnership with the Somali Outreach Project, which organised a SUMMER OF PLAY for 11-19-year-olds in Milton Keynes. This four-week programme featured terrific indoor and outdoor activities, including football, rock climbing, knife crime workshops, and even producing food packages for refugees living in poverty/escaping from domestic violence. What a fantastic opportunity for the young women and men in Milton Keynes!

We also delivered ten development sessions to our network of existing and upcoming youth hubs on various topics, from youth engagement to fundraising strategy.

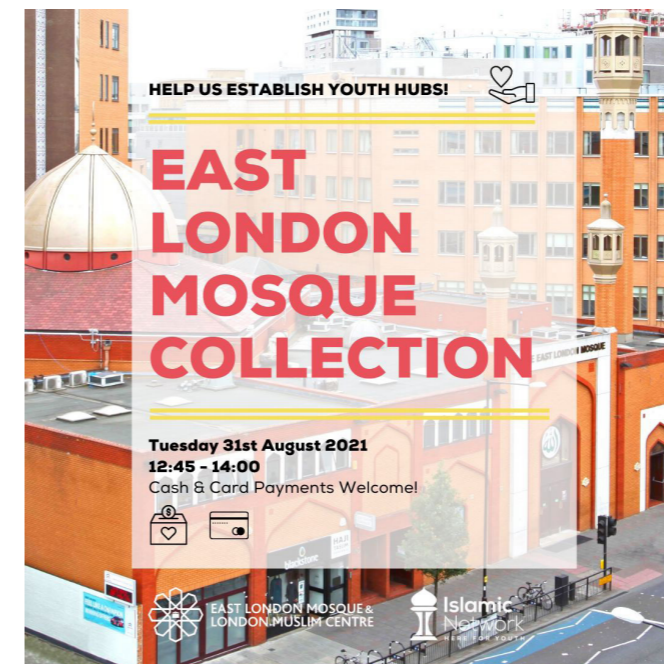


*Pictures from our partner youth sessions in August*

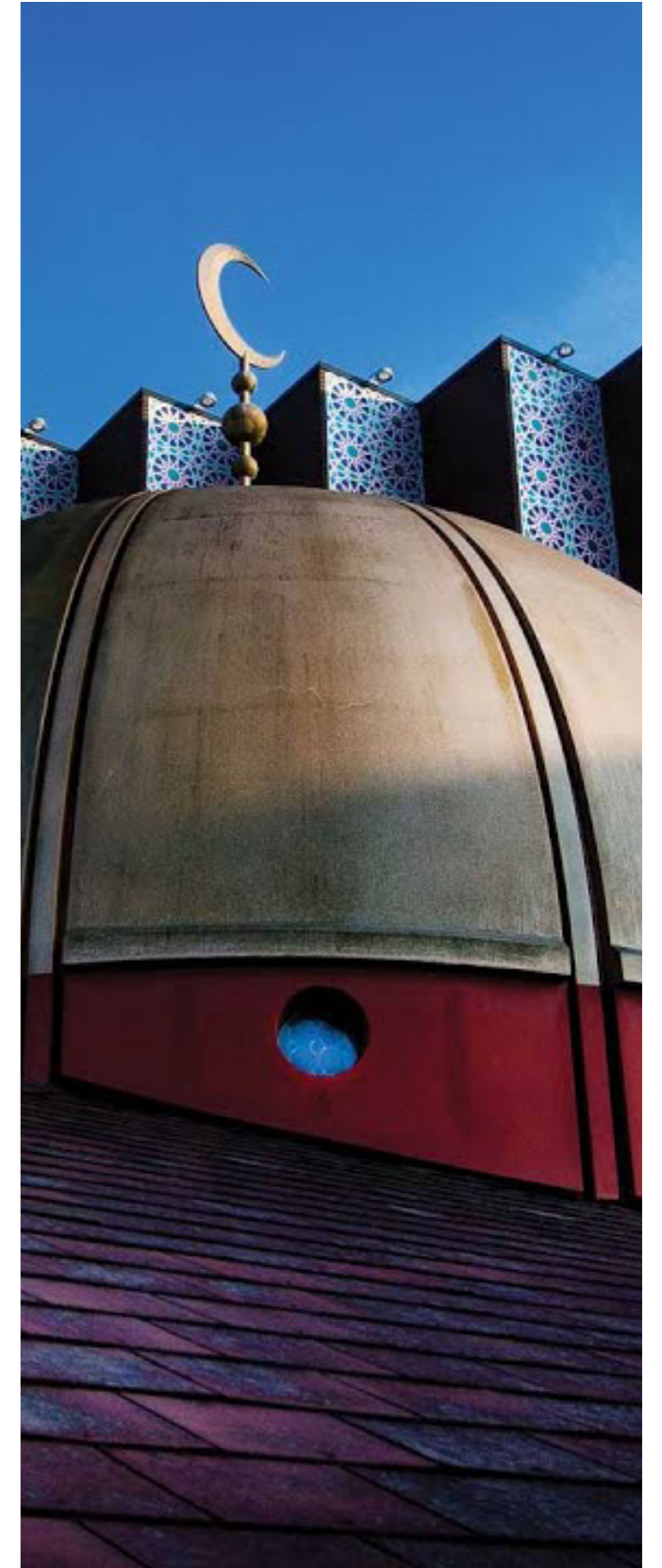
### EAST LONDON MOSQUE SUPPORTS OUR WORK

We had the honour of making an announcement about the fantastic work we are doing to establish Youth Hubs in local Mosques at East London Mosque and the London Muslim Centre.

We were able to speak to a number of individuals, especially parents about the work we are doing for teenagers in the UK.



*East London Mosque Collection Poster*



## SEPTEMBER 2021

### 96 LIVES CHANGED IN SEPTEMBER!

September saw Islamic Network engage 96 young women and men through 19 sessions at youth hubs we support across the UK.

Young MK, our Hub in Milton Keynes, has launched its weekly girls' hub in addition to its successful boys' one. Green Stars, our hub in North London based at MCEC Palmers Green Mosque, has successfully continued their weekly sessions that alternate between girls and boys. During the month, the hub used its weekly youth engagement sessions to openly discuss local issues that young women and men go through.

We also delivered nine development sessions to help our existing and upcoming hubs improve their services.



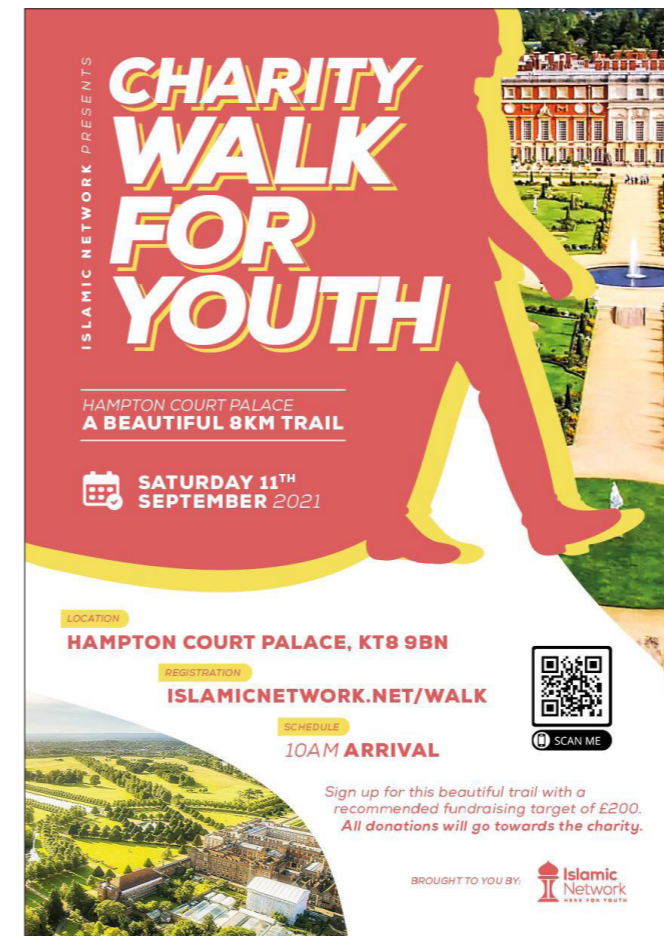
*Pictures from our partner youth sessions in September*

### ENGAGING WITH MAYOR OF LONDON'S OFFICE

As part of our broader work in the sector, we entered into productive talks with a liaison from the Mayor Of London's office about our youth engagement strategy this month.

### RESEARCH LAUNCHED

The Manchester Metropolitan University also featured our 'Taking Mosques Digital' covid response work at the report launch of their year-long research into how the pandemic has shaped the ritual lives of religious communities across the UK. The study explored how they have adapted their work in response to these challenges. You can access the research publication [here](#).



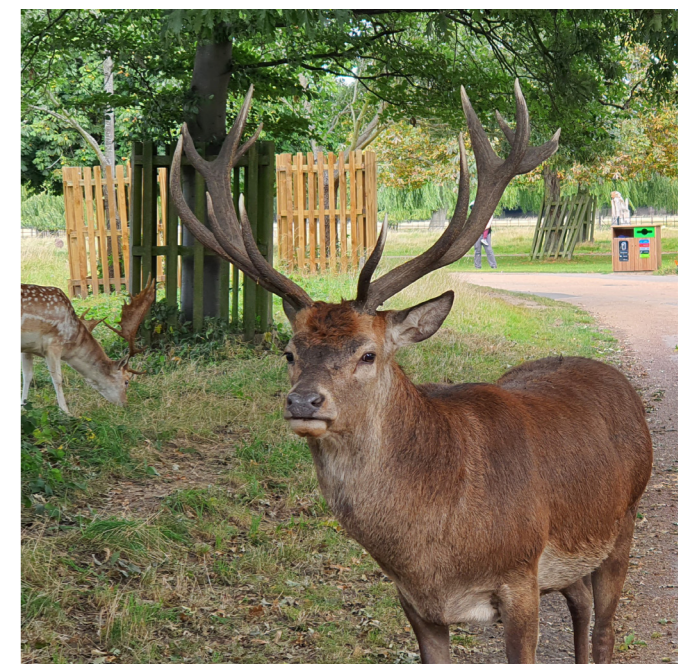
*Charity Walk for Youth Poster*

### CHARITY WALK FOR YOUTH - HAMPTON COURT PALACE

What started as a gentle 8KM walk ended up being anywhere between 11KM-15KM, depending on which intrepid group you were with on a beautiful morning September morning. We came together to discuss young people's issues and raise money to help establish local Youth Hubs across the UK.

From the ornate Water Gardens, built in 1710, to the herds of free-roaming fallow and red deer, every second in Bushy Park was a sight to behold.

Among the things talked about as we drank in the beautiful scenery were issues with drugs in our schools, the lack of opportunities for young Muslim women and how we make the Mosque the hub of our communities once more.



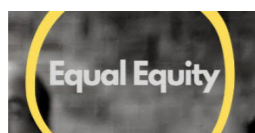
*Pictures from Charity Walk for Youth*

OCTOBER  
2021

## THE IMPACT INCUBATOR PROGRAMME

In October, Islamic Network was shortlisted and accepted onto the "The Impact Incubator". A 6-month programme to develop and strengthen specific areas within Youth Sector organisations. Led by Raymond Douglas, Co-Founder of Equal Equity and the National Youth Agency (NYA).

The programme included emersion within a community of practice and offered sector support, training, mentoring, and access to executive youth sector leaders. The programme aimed to build a fairer and more equitable youth sector.



## STRONGER FUTURES EVENT

We also attended the Stronger Futures networking event at London City Hall. Organised by the Violence Reduction Unit (NRU) Young Person's Action Group where we were able to meet and share our experiences of Muslims in the Youth Work sector.



Stronger Futures Event

## 100 LIVES IMPACTED IN OCTOBER!

With the October Half-Term, the hubs in our network pulled out all the stops to create new ways of engaging young women and men in their areas!

We engaged 100 young women and men through 18 sessions at youth hubs we support across the UK.

This wouldn't have been possible without the volunteer hosts' fantastic work at each hub.

Some exciting stuff from Green Stars! Over the half term, the Youth Hub in the London Borough of Enfield, at MCEC Palmers Green Mosque, hosted a Young Speakers Workshop with Kosser Abdul Aziz.

Over the three-day workshop, local boys and girls learnt about public speaking skills, speech writing and confidence building when speaking to an audience.



Pictures from our partner youth sessions in October

The young people said the workshop's highlight was when sister Kosser allowed them to write their speech and deliver it from the mosque's mimbar!

A brilliant and empowering experience for the young attendees!

In the London Borough of Waltham Forest, our youth hub partner in Lea Bridge, LBECA, has agreed on a fantastic arrangement with Saffron Kitchen in Leyton to provide delicious food once a month for the young people who attend their hub. It's incredible to see local businesses partnering up and assisting the efforts of the community to provide a safe space for young people.

In the London Borough of Brent, at Harlesden Ummah, Since attending our youth event, three regular attendees, Abdulmajeed, Hassan and Yusuf, have made many contributions to other activities within the mosque.

They come early and stay late to set up and pack down our youth engagement sessions. They help with fundraising and collecting donations for the mosque during Friday Congregation and Eid in the park events.

They have also developed a close relationship with older, experienced community members, including the Imam. They often share their experiences in life, including their challenges, which they are advised on, and achievements celebrated.

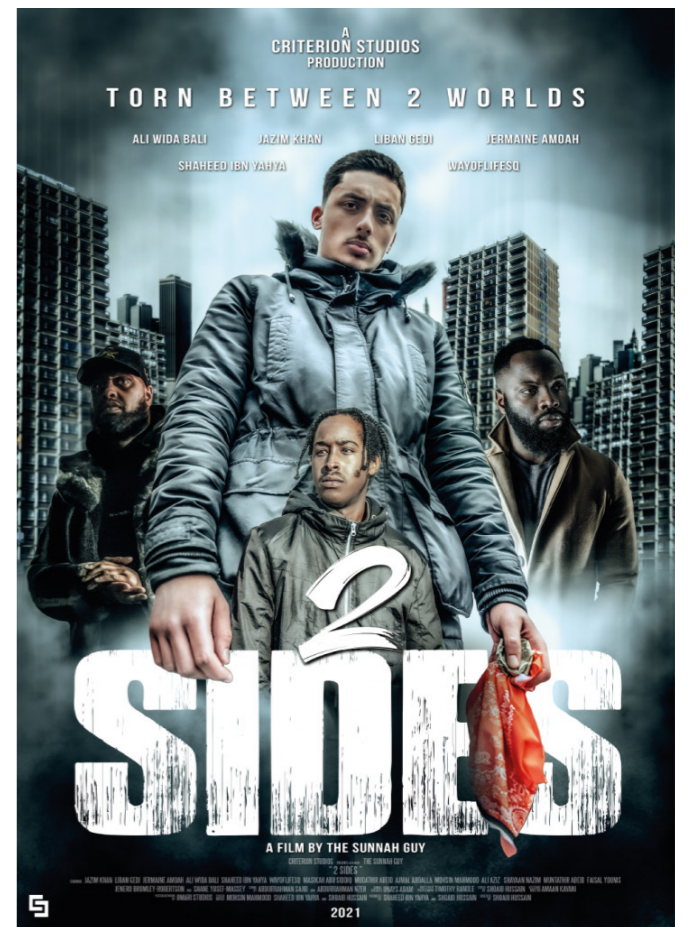
In Buckinghamshire, our partner, Young MK, based in Milton Keynes, had a hugely memorable month of engagement for young women and men, including a field trip to Green Lane Mosque in Birmingham. They attended the 'Clouded Minds' conference on 'clearing the path back to faith'. The young women and men benefitted immensely from not just hearing from the speakers but spending time together, travelling together and building their bonds of sister- and brotherhood. See the other amazing things they got up to on their Instagram, including a Girls' Ice Skating Trip, a Special Halloween Program, a Youth Night and Football tournament! What a month, Mashaa'Allah!

## 2SIDES MOVIE PARTNERSHIP

This month we signed up as the official Charity Partner for the new upcoming film "2Sides" by Criterion Studios. The movie focuses on a young Muslim who struggles to fit into his circle of friends. In his pursuit for acceptance, he finds himself stuck in a cycle of gang violence and drug affiliation. As he tries to escape this harsh reality, his relations with family and religion become affected to the point of no return.



Pictures from our partner youth sessions in October



2Sides Movie Poster

NOVEMBER  
2021

100 LIVES IMPACTED IN  
NOVEMBER!

November started well-tempered, but the cold kicked in, and our partner Youth Hubbs had to embrace their attendees with a warm welcome.

Our partner Hubbs engaged with 110 young women and men through 16 sessions across the UK this month.

In Buckinghamshire, Milton Keynes, our partners Young MK hosted a fun youth night event, starting with Ustadh Mohammed Minani reciting Qur'an and then a workshop where he handed them a question to think about: Do you deserve Paradise?

It was an interactive session getting the young minds thinking and gave them a perspective on how we should live our lives as Muslims. They were discussing a Beautiful Hadith of our Prophet (Peace be upon him): "You will not enter Jannah through your Good Deeds" – [Bukhari]

They also had a competitive dodgeball session, with a delicious takeaway to top it off.

The Girls also had their night, filled with playing dodgeball, bench ball, and a thought-provoking reminder about repentance.

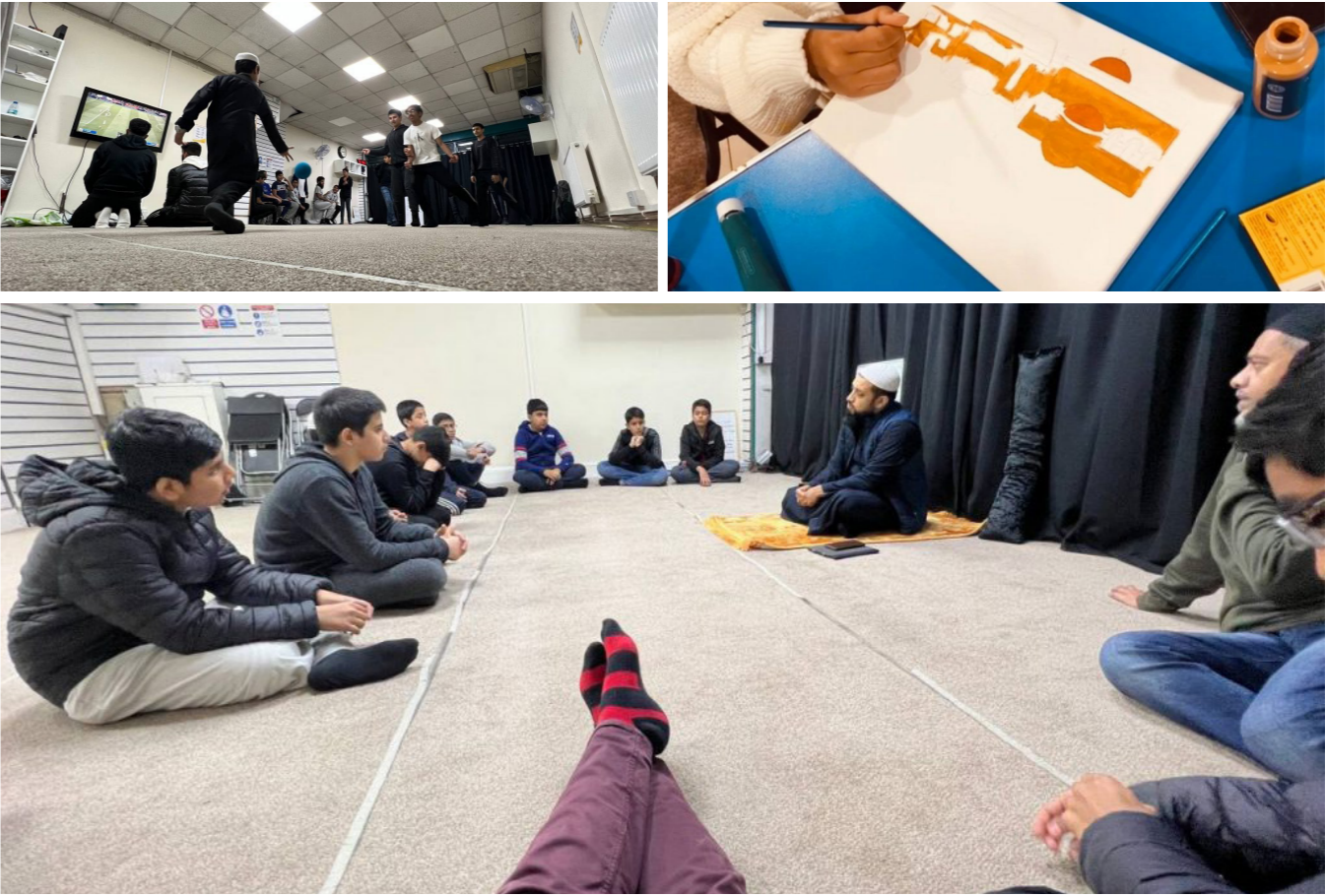
On the weekends, Young MK's youth worked with the Al-Fikr team, where they packed food to distribute packages to refugees living in Milton Keynes.

In the London Borough of Waltham Forest, our youth hub partner in Lea Bridge, LBECA, was busy as usual and even had a thought-provoking discussion led by Shaykh Shams Ad Duha. Saffron Kitchen was kind as always to share a massive platter set with delicious food. May Allah reward and increase them!

In Enfield, at MCEC Palmers Green Mosque, the team of Green Stars hosted their fortnightly youth event for girls aged 9-13. The girls engaged in fun activities, bringing out their creative artistic talents. The boys also were hosted for their fortnightly event, where they duelled it off at an epic tug-of-war battle.

FUNDRAISING PARTNERSHIP  
WITH 'MUSLIM MARRIAGE  
EVENTS'

We entered a partnership with Muslim Marriage Events to be their fundraising partner at some of their upcoming events. We raised much needed funds and shared our work in rooms full of working professionals.



Pictures from our partner youth sessions in November



Fundraising at 'Muslim Marriage Events'

## DECEMBER 2021

### 114 LIVES IMPACTED IN DECEMBER!

December was another great time for Youth Hubs to embrace the cold and keep the weekly sessions running with a warm welcome, especially for the Sisters.

Our partner Hubbs engaged with 114 young women and men through 22 sessions across the UK.

In the London Borough of Brent, at Harlesden Ummah, the Hub had their annual adhan competition, with prizes of £200, £150 and £100 up for grabs.

It was a great community event where attendees enjoyed listening to the young men's voices making the call to prayer.

The competitors all did their best, so the team gave all those who auditioned £20 prize for their efforts.

In the London Borough of Waltham Forest, our youth hub partner in Lea Bridge, LBECA, had to move their sessions online due to two central volunteers having faced some personal challenges and the worry of the new covid variant being present.

The youth enjoyed the online sessions, where they went head to head on Rocket League and other competitive games while sharing their fun on the discord stream.

In Buckinghamshire, Milton Keynes, our partners Young MK have provided so much fun and engagement for the Sisters that they decided it was finally time to open up their group named Young MK Sisters.

They hosted a chilled indoor cinema event packed with popcorn, pizza and snacks.



*Pictures from our partner youth sessions in December*

They even booked a trip to the Light Upon Light Event in the Excel Arena, where they prayed Jumu'ah, led by Mufti Menk and learnt many life values from all panellists.

The event left a great impression on the Sisters, with the two key lessons being:

What social media says about your values and beliefs and whether that will make it better for your afterlife.  
How to spend free time remembering Allah  
The brothers had their weekly Game Spot events, and on the night before Christmas, they learned about the true story of Prophet Jesus, helping them understand what the Islamic teaching says about his life.

It, of course, included delicious pizza, a fun quiz, some dodgeball to burn it off and then a competitive FIFA 21 session.



*Nasheed Battle Royale Event*

### NASHEED BATTLE ROYALE EVENT

In December, Islamic Network worked with Al-Miftaah to organise and deliver a four-city fundraising tour to close off a fantastic and productive year.

Nasheed Battle Royale featured some of the biggest names in the Nasheed industry, including award-winning - chart-topping voice-only nasheed artist Omar Esa, Canadian international sensation Ilyas Mao, world-renowned artist and member of Nasheed Group Labbayk, Ehsaan Tahmid, and nasheed artist and lecturer, Moulana Imtiyaz Sidat.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, these artists have not performed on stage for the past two years, so the pent-up demand for these events was high!

The four-city tour took in Bradford, Manchester, Oldham and Birmingham, with more than 2,000 people in attendance! Amazing highlights, including stage invasions by young people, can be seen here.





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## INTRODUCING HERE FOR YOUTH

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*Launching in 2022*

*As we move our work into more mainstream youth engagement spaces, we have started to adopt the working name: Here For Youth*

*This will help provide clarity over our services and overcome the implicit bias that we face in the course of implementing our charitable objects.*

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ISLAMIC NETWORK

## YEAR ENDED 31 December 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Islamic Network ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

### Independent Examiner's Statement

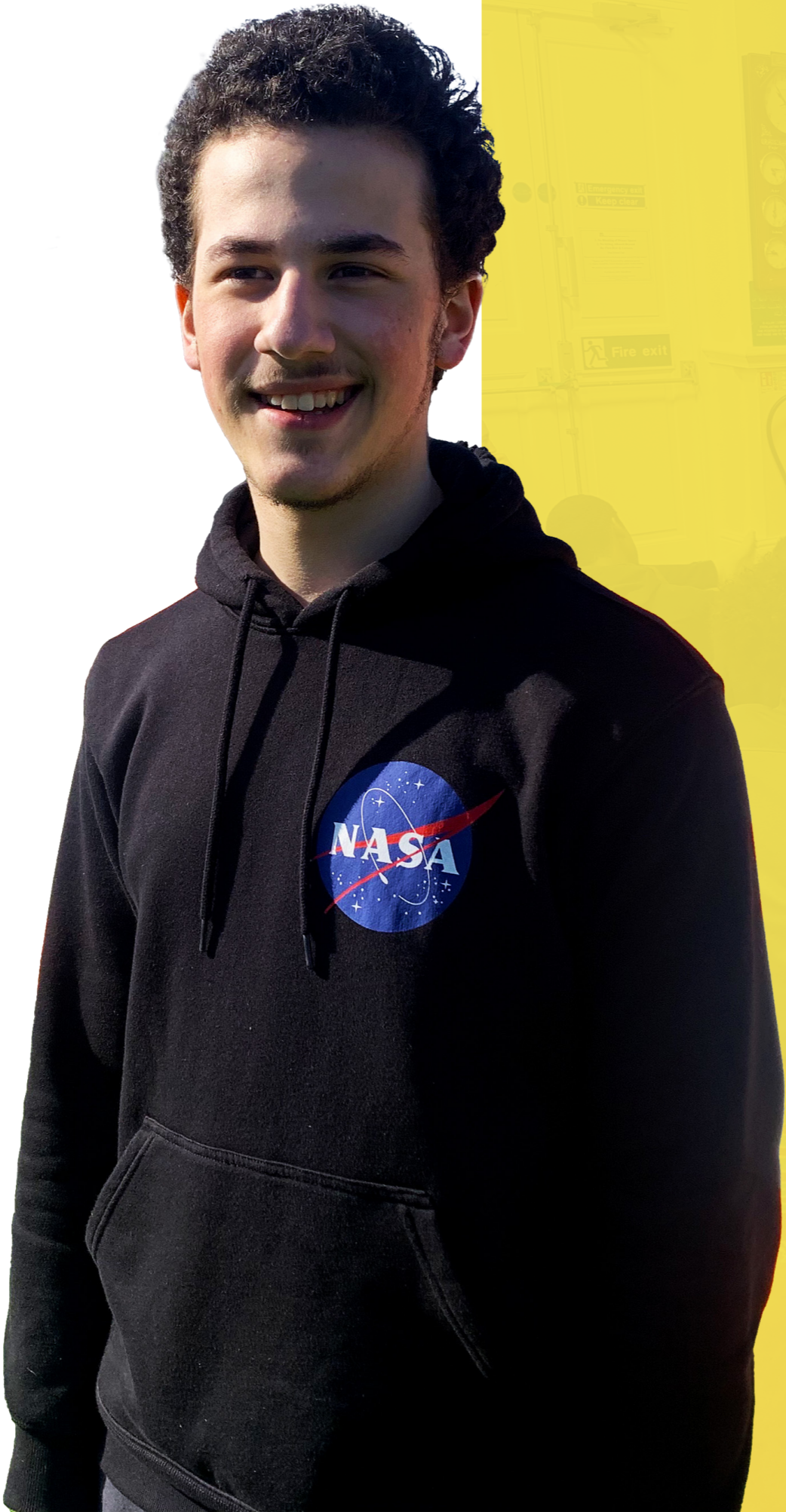
I have completed my examination; I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe.

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act: or
2. The financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. The financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. The financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

S M Q Accountancy and Management Consultancy Limited  
Crown House - Suite 702, North Circular Road, London NW10 7PN

Date: 25th October 2022



STATEMENT OF  
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Annual Accounts

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

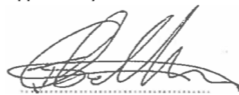
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Incoming Resources		£	£	£	£
Donations and similar incoming resources		133,008	0	133,008	78,968
Other Receipts	2	6,470	0	6,470	7,298
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		139,478	0	139,478	86,266
Resources Expended					
Costs of generating funds: Fundraising and publicity	3	24,493	0	24,493	20,986
Charitable expenditure: Direct Charitable Expenditure	4	95,696	0	95,696	63,959
Governance Costs:					
Management and Administration	5	8,162	0	8,162	4,159
TOTAL INCOME EXPENDED		128,351	0	128,351	89,104
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources Net Movements in Funds		11,127	0	11,127	(2,838)
Fund balances b/fwd. 1 January 2021		51,383	(85,394)	(34,011)	(31,173)
Fund balances c/fwd. 31 December 2021		62,510	(85,394)	(22,884)	(34,011)

BALANCE  
SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	31.12.2021	31.12.2020
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Fixture & Fittings			
Current Assets			
Cash At Bank		6,126	11,909
		6,126	11,909
Creditors: (amounts falling due within one year)			
Creditors & Accruals	6	29,010	45,920
Net Current Assets		(22,884)	(34,011)
Net Assets Employed		(22,884)	(34,011)
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FUNDS		11,127	(2,838)
Restricted and unrestricted funds		(34,011)	(31,173)
Fund balances carried forward		(22,884)	(34,011)

Approved by the trustees on 25th October 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr Jameil Chaudhry | Chairman

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31st December 2021

1. Accounting policies
- a. Accounting convention

i. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000). In preparing the financial statements, the charity follows best practices as laid down in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005).
- b. Donations, legacies and similar income

i. These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income, and the trustees are reasonably certain they will receive it.
- c. Tax reclaims on donations.

i. Tax reclaims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
- d. Investment Income

i. Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to a receipt.
- e. Resources expended

i. Expenditure is included on an accrual basis.

ii. Grants payable are charged in the year when conditions attaching to the grant are fulfilled, and a properly completed claim has been received by the charity.

iii. Support costs relate to costs of processing grants and applications and general office expenses.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	31.12.2021
	£
2. Donations and similar incoming resources	133,008
3. Other Receipts	
Gift Aid	6,470
4. Cost Of Generating Funds	
The amount payable in the year comprises:	
Fundraising Campaigns Costs	(24,493)
5. Direct Charitable Costs	
Donations to Charitable Activities	(95,696)
6. Governance Costs	
Admin Staff Salary	0
Office Rent	0
Telephone	0
Postage & Stationery	0
Bank Charges	(27)
Travelling	(345)
Professional Fees	(7,250)
7. Creditors	
Other Creditors	(540)
Fund balances c/fwd. 31 December 2021	11,127
8. Fund	
	Reserve Fund £ Gift Aid Fund £ Total £
Balance at 1st January 2021	(34,011) 0 (34,011)
	11,127 0 11,127
	(28,884) 0 (28,884)



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