

EAST AFRICAN MUSLIM CULTURAL GROUP
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2024

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Charity information

Trustees

1. Mr Hassan Kigenyi
2. Mr Moses Gayinamungu
3. Ahmad Yusuf

Governing Document

East Africa Muslim Cultural Group is governed by its constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission (Number 1140317).

Registered office:

Address: 75 Derby Road, East Ham, London,
E7 8NH

Bank

Barclays Bank

Registered Charity No

1140317

Message from The Chair

I am pleased to present the Accounts and Annual Report of the East African Muslim Cultural Group (EAMCG) for the year ending 31 December 2024. I continue to be proud of the charity and its volunteers' work. We have continued to make significant contributions to our community over the last 12 months. These have included, but are not limited to, the continued use of technology (e.g., Zoom) to engage and educate our community on a wide range of topics, including financial management, family planning, marriage, and professional development. We also restarted our weekend classes, and attendance improved. The EAMCG also continued renovating the building at Derby Road, focusing mainly on further roof repairs, toilet repairs and adding a new carpet.

We thank our members, sponsors, fundraisers, and volunteers whose enthusiasm, commitment, creativity, energy, and hard work have been instrumental in helping the charity achieve its goal of supporting its members through various projects and initiatives.

I want to pay tribute to all the Trustees and volunteers who continue to support the Charity in achieving its operational and strategic objectives. Their commitment, dedication and enthusiasm continue to inspire us all. Through their work, these individuals have played a crucial role in enabling the Charity to continue making a real difference in the lives of its members and the wider community.

Hassan Kigenyi, Chairman

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

EAMC was born out of the need to help individuals within the community improve their lives by increasing and improving access to information and services provided by a matrix of local organisations and statutory agencies.

Our primary focus is to promote Islamic and civil values, improve the quality of life of the East African Muslim communities, and assist other socially excluded Africans living in the United Kingdom and other individuals within the local communities. We work by providing socially excluded individuals with training and access to information through seminars, workshops, work placements and any other activities that have been proven to bring people together to address issues that either do or could negatively impact their lives.

Risk management

The Trustees and management team are aware of their responsibilities for risk management and for significant strategic, business, and operational risks under review. A detailed risk register is in place, which is reviewed regularly by both the trustees and the managers at their annual review of the register during the year. Over the last 12 months, we have improved our risk management practices and oversight. This has included installing new CCTV camera systems and better supervision during significant events. The Trustees and senior management continue reviewing risk management procedures to improve them.

Equal opportunities and other policies

As responsible employers, the Trustees have approved several policies relating to equal opportunities, conflict of interest, Health and Safety, Children and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy, etc. These policies are reviewed annually.

Our objectives

To improve the lives of our community through education, awareness and spiritual support.

Our services

We engage the community in all our activities, including health promotion, cultural awareness, training, community and women's affairs, youth activities, and youth forums.

With the assistance of a group of highly skilled volunteers, EAMCG offers the following services. The list below is not exhaustive of the services we provide:

- Youth training
- Housing and social needs advice
- Community cohesion programmes, Employment advice
- Letter writing or application/form filling assistance
- Free Saturday DARAS teaching sessions for children aged 10-16 years
- Health counselling and promotion-HIV/AIDS, sexual awareness
- Computer skills training, word processing, internet and email communications. Raising self-esteem through social and life skills
- Representing the needs of the community at the policy level through participation in Health and economic forums, and
- Translation and interpretation services include asylum and immigration, housing and alcohol awareness.

Funding

EAMCG remains a members-financed Charity; to this point, all finances have come from the members and the immediate community. The members provide all the funds the Charity needs to operate. Direct member contributions for the year came to £32,986 compared to £18,905 last year. All income received for the year was via members' contributions and individual donations.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

Charity Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a "true and fair view of the Charity's financial position". In preparing these statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, state whether applicable Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charity law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

Income and Expenditure Account

	2024	2023
	£	£
Voluntary income	32,986	18,905
Costs of charitable activities	(40,526)	(20,977)
Gross surplus	<u>(7,540)</u>	<u>(2,072)</u>
Surplus on ordinary activities before tax	<u>(7,540)</u>	<u>(2,072)</u>
Gift Aid Payments	-	-
Retained surplus for the financial year	<u><u>(7,540)</u></u>	<u><u>(2,072)</u></u>

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Last Year Total Funds
	Note	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£
Incoming resources				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income (Donations)	1	31,886	31,886	18,905
Other Incoming Resources		1,100	-	-
Total incoming resources		32,986	31,886	18,905
Expenditure				
General Management and Administration		(400)	-	-
Cost of charitable activities	2	(10,035)	(10,035)	(3,256)
Running costs (i.e., operating expenses)	3	(14,649)	(14,649)	(9,146)
Loan repayments		-	-	-
Renovations and/or maintenance	4	(15,441)	(15,441)	(8,575)
Total resources expended		(40,526)	(40,126)	(20,977)
Net incoming resources before transfers between funds		(7,540)	(7,540)	(2,071)
Total Funds brought forward	5	13,783	13,783	13,783
Total Funds carried forward		6,243	6,243	11,711

1. Money donated by members of the public mostly through regular standing orders and direct debits.

2. This is the cost of arranging and hosting key charity events such as the annual Quran competition, classes and Ramadhan Dinners.

3. These have increased compared to last year and include council rate charges, Gas, Electricity and Insurance expenses.

4. These have included further repairs to the roofing of our premises at Derby Road and installation of new carpets.

5. Bank balance as at 31.12.2024

6. Estimated market value of the premises at Derby Road, which has increased slightly compared to previous year.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Notes:	2024 £	2023 £
The assets and liabilities of the charity:			
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	800,000	735,092
Total fixed assets			735,092
Current assets			
Debtors		-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		13,783	10,939
Total current assets		13,783	10,939
Creditors			
Amounts due within one year		-	-
Net current assets / (Liabilities)		13,783	10,939
Total assets less current liabilities		813,783	746,031
Creditors:-			
Amounts due after more than one year		-	-
Net assets including pension asset / liability		813,783	746,031
The funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted revenue accumulated funds		813,783	746,031
Total Funds		813,783	746,031

The Trustees did not require the charity to have an audited set of accounts as it fell below the Charity Commission threshold. The financial statements were approved on behalf of the Charity by the Chairman on 13 February 2024.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2024

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 accounting period.

Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention. They comply with the Charity Commission's Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting (SORP 2005) and all applicable accounting standards.

Reporting Standards

- a) Incoming Resources
 - General donations, legacies and subscriptions are brought into account when received. Donations and grants given for specific purposes are treated as income in the year of receipt. Unspent restricted income is included under restricted funds as it is fully committed.
- b) Resources Expended
 - The resources used are classified under Charity's functional categories of expenditure rather than the type of expense to provide more helpful information.
 - Resources expended in each functional category comprise direct expenditure, including staff costs attributable to those activities.
- c) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
 - Tangible fixed assets are included at cost; depreciation is calculated at 25% on a straight line.
- d) Operating Leases
 - Operating lease rentals are charged to the income and expenditure account as they become due.
- e) Fund accounting
 - General funds comprise the accumulated surplus or deficit on the income and expenditure account. They are available for use at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the general objectives of the trust. Restricted funds are funds subject to specific restricted conditions imposed by the donors.
 - a) Expenditure Categories
 - b) Expenditure is allocated to one of three categories that reflect the trust's charitable activities.
- f) Cost of Generating Funds
 - These refer to activities undertaken to advance the Charity's objectives.
- g) Management and Administration
 - This year, management and administration costs included accountancy fees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - ANALYSIS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OF RESOURCES

Note 1 - Cash income by type of donor

Money is donated by members of the public mostly through regular standing orders and direct debits.

Note 2 - Cost of charitable activities

This is the cost of arranging and hosting key charity events such as the annual Quran competition, classes and Ramadhan Dinners.

Note 3 - Running costs

These have increased compared to last year and include council rate charges, Gas, and Insurance expenses.

Note 4 - Renovations and maintenance.

These have included further repairs to the roofing of our premises at Derby Road and the installation of new carpets.

Note 5 - Total Funds brought forward.

Bank balance as at 31.12.2024

Note 6 - Tangible, available fixed assets.

This comprises an estimated value of the property of circa £800,000. The property is expected to have increased in value following additional renovations. The value of £800,00 also includes an estimated value (£35k) of all the tangible assets that are currently owned by the Charity, which include: computers, TV sets, CCTV camera systems, furniture and speakers.