

BURTON HAZARA SOCIETY

A Registered Charity

Financial Statements
& Report
For the Period

01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025

Charity Number: 1160038

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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD
01 MARCH 2024 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2025

Registered Charity Number: 1160038

Principal Address:

91-93 Moor Street
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Staffordshire
DE14 3SZ

Chairperson: Mr Omid Jafari

Trustees:

Mr. Mohammed Tahery

Mr. Enayat Zafari

Mr. Farhad Qalandari

Governing Document:

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (the CIO) operated under the rules of its constitution and named as “Burton Hazara Society”.

Bankers:

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Independent Examiner and Accountant:

HR Chartered Accountants
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CHAIRPERSON / TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD
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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – OMID JAFARI



It is with great pride and heartfelt gratitude that I present the Chairman's Report for the year 2024–2025. This year has been one of significant progress, meaningful engagement, and strengthened unity within our Hazara community and the wider society of East Staffordshire. Our achievements have been made possible through the dedication of our volunteers, the support of our members, and the valued partnership of the East Staffordshire Borough Council

Strengthening Relationships with Local Leadership

One of the most memorable highlights of the year was our insignia visit to the Town Hall, graciously hosted by the Mayor of East Staffordshire, Cllr. Syed Hussain, alongside colleagues Gordon and Anne.

This visit fostered deep and insightful discussions that reflected the spirit of collaboration, inclusivity, and unity that defines our town. The Mayor's commitment to diversity and cultural understanding continues to set an exemplary standard for all communities. We extend our sincere gratitude for the warm reception and the valuable exchange of ideas that enriched our society.

Eid Celebration & Reopening of the Centre

We were honoured to welcome Mr. Mayor Syed Hussain and his team to our Eid celebration and the reopening of our Community Centre. Their presence marked a significant moment for our community as we revitalized our space for cultural, educational, and social gatherings.

Their participation reaffirmed the valuable relationship we continue to build with local authorities and highlighted the importance of shared cultural celebration.





Hazara Culture Day 2025

Held at the Community Centre, this year's Hazara Culture Day was a resounding success. We were joined by esteemed guests and many respected members of our community

The event highlighted the significance of preserving and promoting Hazara culture, strengthening ties across generations, and showcasing Hazara heritage, art, and values. We remain committed to enriching cultural awareness both locally and globally.



Supporting Education and Youth Achievement

A major milestone this year was the graduation ceremony at Burton Town Hall, organised by the Mayor of East Staffordshire to honour Hazara graduates.

The ceremony celebrated academic excellence and resilience, with the Mayor's inspiring words reinforcing his support for equality and opportunity.

This event marked a proud moment for our entire community, reminding us of the importance of education in shaping our future.

We extend our deepest appreciation to the Mayor for his continued advocacy and for recognising the accomplishments of our young people.



Construction Project at the Community Centre

Thanks to the East Staffordshire Borough Council's funding support—combined with member contributions and the tireless efforts of our dedicated volunteer team the construction and improvement project at our Community Centre progressed significantly throughout 2024 and continues into 2025.

This project includes:

- Renovation and improvement of community facilities
- Enhanced accessibility for all communities
- Expansion of cultural and educational spaces
- General repairs and modernisation efforts

Our volunteers have truly demonstrated the power of community service. Their countless hours of planning, labour, and coordination have ensured that this project continues to move forward smoothly. We thank every individual who contributed financially or through hands-on effort.

Volunteerism and Community Contribution

The heart of the Burton Hazara Society remains its members and volunteers.

Throughout the year, our volunteers have supported events, educational programmes, cultural activities, community outreach, and the centre construction project.

Their selfless service reflects the values of unity, compassion, and shared responsibility that define our society.

We are deeply grateful to all volunteers, donors, and supporters. Without you, none of this year's achievements would have been possible.

Looking Ahead to 2025

As we continue into 2025, our priorities include:

- Completing the Community Centre construction and improvement project
- Expanding youth programmes, educational support, and community workshops
- Strengthening partnerships with local government and organisations
- Promoting Hazara culture and heritage through larger and more inclusive events
- Increasing membership engagement and volunteer participation
- Building a stronger, more resilient, and more united Hazara community in Burton

Conclusion

The year 2024–2025 has been marked by progress, unity, and celebration. We are honoured to have engaged closely with community leaders, to have celebrated our culture with pride, and to have supported our youth in their educational journeys.

Our achievements belong to every member of the Burton Hazara Society, and I look forward to continuing this journey of growth and collaboration.

On behalf of the Society, I extend my warmest thanks to all who contributed to making this year a success.

With respect and gratitude,

OMID Jafari

Burton Hazara Society

2024–2025

TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees are pleased to present their report for the year. We take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to the Chairman and his team for their dedication, leadership, and hard work throughout the period. As the Chairman has rightly highlighted, none of our progress would be possible without strong partnerships. We fully echo this sentiment. As we move into 2024/25, we remain committed to strengthening existing partnerships and building new ones with community groups, organisations, and stakeholders. These relationships are vital in helping us grow stronger, more resilient, and more connected as a community.

During the year, significant progress was made on the ongoing construction project. The Trustees are pleased to report that construction work continued steadily despite various challenges. A particularly commendable aspect of this progress has been the tremendous contribution of our members, many of whom volunteered their time, skills, and labour to support the project. Their dedication has not only reduced overall project costs but has also fostered a deeper sense of ownership, unity, and pride within the community.

We recognise and greatly appreciate the countless hours that volunteers have committed whether assisting on-site, supporting administrative tasks, or helping coordinate project activities. Their efforts demonstrate the true spirit of our organisation and reflect our shared commitment to building a long-lasting asset for future generations.

Financially, the year has presented its share of challenges. As the accounts indicate, there is still much work to be done to strengthen our financial position. However, the Trustees remain optimistic. With continued community support, active fundraising, and collaborative partnerships, we are confident that 2024/25 will be a year of meaningful progress and further achievements.

In closing, we extend our gratitude to all members, volunteers, supporters, and partners. Your collective contribution continues to drive our mission forward, and we look ahead to the coming year with renewed energy and confidence.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT PERIOD 01 MARCH 2024 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Burton Hazara Society

I report on the accounts of the company for the period ended 28 February 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 9.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act). It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Haroon Rashid
HR Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
PERIOD 01 MARCH 2024 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2025

		2025
		£
Income		
Grants	Note 2	45,000
Income Generation		660
Subscriptions and Deposits		21,947
		67,607
 Expenditure		
Building Repairs		65,414
New Fire Alarm		-
Rates		3,269
Charity		-
Mortgage		-
Rent		1,200
Misc		-
Telephone		440
Risk Assessment		-
Music System		-
Printing and Stationary		95
Event Hostings		1,369
Ulilities		2,570
Other professional & Legal		1,489
Gas Work		-
Accountancy		870
Insurance		906
Bank		60
Total Expenditure		77,682
 Deficit for the year		(10,075)
 Fund balance at beginning of year		64,213
 Transfer between funds		-
 Fund balance at end of year		54,138

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025

	2025 £
Current Assets	
Debtors	23,917
Bank and Cash	30,701
Current Liabilities	
Short Term Creditors	Note 3 480
Total Assets less Total Liabilities	54,138
Represented by Funds	
Funds	54,138
	54,138

The trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 477, and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- i. Ensuring that the company keeps adequate accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act; and
- ii. Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue, and are signed on their behalf by:

Omid Jafari

Date

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared using the concessions allowable under SORP 2005 for smaller charities, not subject to an audit.

2 Grants

	£
ESBC	45,000
Council covid grant	-
	<u>45,000</u>

3 Short Term Creditors

	£
Accruals	480
	-
	<u>480</u>