



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2020		31	12	2020

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	LIGHT OF HIRA
Other names charity is known by	N/A
Registered charity number (if any)	1163530
Charity's principal address	86 BERNERS STREET LEICESTER Postcode LE2 0FS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	MUHAMMAD ISA ABDULLAH	CHAIRMAN		
2	DAWOOD ABOWATH	VICE-CHAIRMAN		
3	TAMIR SUJANDIN	DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN	25-08-2020 till present	Muhammad Isa Abdullah Dawood Abowath Wajahat Hussain Baloch
4	WAJAHAT HUSSAIN BALOCH	TREASURER	01-01-20 to 30-08-2020 (date of resignation)	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Redbird Accountants	72 Evington Road, Leicester, LE2 1HH

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	New Trustees are appointed by this CIO'S Foundation Trustees, after the majority of the Founding Trustees approve the nomination of the said new trustee.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

In this year a new Trustee i.e. Mr Tamir Sujandin was approved and appointed by the three founding trustees in the role of Deputy Vice-Chairman, with his academic theological credentials and with community links in the local Muslim community fitting our criteria to improve our performance with his added expertise.

Mr Wajahat Baloch submitted his letter of resignation as one of the founding trustees of our CIO in his role of Treasurer. Our charity has a memorandum of understanding with his Accounting Business i.e. Redbird Accountants. Therefore we have a total of 3 three trustees at present in the roles specified above.

Mr Muhammad Isa Abdullah – Chairman (founding trustee)
Mr Dawood Abowath – Vice-Chairman (founding trustee)
Mr Tamir Sujandin – Deputy Vice-Chairman (newly appointed trustee)

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

We offer help, support and guidance to New Muslims.

Enquiry service for anyone with questions regarding Islam.

Promote Islam's concept of mercy, tolerance and compassion for all.

Provide relief to the poverty stricken and the homeless; destitute men, women and children; and individuals living in crises in Leicester.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Islamic Classes

Classes to New Muslims, male and female, have been imparted regularly on a weekly basis. The classes have always been accompanied with advice and counselling as each New Muslim is a world of his/her own, with his/her own personal challenges.

Meetings

People who have expressed interest in Islam and have contacted us have been able to meet our staff for meetings to provide them with reliable information on the Islamic faith.

PUBLIC BENEFIT OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ACTIVITIES.

New Muslims are equipped with authentic religious grounding that guarantees they are law-abiding citizens wherever they live along with their newly adopted faith.

New Muslims are assisted to overcome social problems and provided strong religious foundation reinforcing good citizenship, making sure they remain integrated to main-stream society and become full members of the Muslim community, in order to prevent they learn and pursue their faith in isolation and fall into the hands of extremists; all these efforts in turn contribute to a safer society.

Publications

We also distributed reliable and authentic mainstream Islamic literature on relevant faith topics to our new Muslim students and to members of the general public who contacted us and in particular to Muslim prisoners throughout the whole United Kingdom.

PUBLIC BENEFIT:

Raise awareness of Islamic religious tolerance towards other faiths was raised and promoted amongst the general public as well as address Islamophobia.

Educating Muslim prisoners about the Islamic tolerance being embedded in our faith and practiced historically throughout Islamic history so as not to fall in the trap of religious extremism and hatred for people of other faiths which is present in the prison estate.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

On Grant-making:

An initial financial contribution would be paid once (and for a limited number of times) to a person who has just embraced the faith to support them in the financial strains that their new circumstances bring about in his/her life until he/she regains stability or can stand on his/her own feet financially.

Due to the limited resources our charity does not consider necessary to adopt a policy programme related to investment.

All the activities undertaken by this CIO are performed by the valuable first-hand contributions of trustees and volunteers in terms of giving up their valuable time to pursue our charity's objectives.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our activities were limited this year due to Covid-19 which affected the whole world.

We had to suspend our face-to-face onsite classes for New Muslims and meetings with those people interested to learn more about the Islamic faith from February 2020 onwards to follow government guidelines. However we were able to continue these activities via phone or social media.

In October when the restrictions started to ease, we managed to distribute relevant Islamic literature for Muslim prisoners in 100 prisons throughout the UK. The printing of Islamic literature sponsored by our charity the previous year consisted of two important booklets i.e. 'Al-Mu'awwadhaat' invocations / prayers and 'Winning the Hearts of the People' to reduce re-offending and address extremism. This literature was well received and appreciated by the recipient prisons' chaplaincies.

Finally we embarked on the refurbishment of our premises which were being affected by damp. To take advantage we did not have anyone on site on a regular basis we replastered the walls, repainted the centre, installed new electric heaters and purchased new and adequate furniture which would allow us to operate following social distancing guidelines whenever we would re-open to the public.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our charity was established in 2015 and counts with limited funds. There has not been a need for a policy on reserves due to its mere size. However the public contributions which are being received are being saved in order to allow our CIO to move from rented accommodation to our own premises to increase our services and serve the public better and in a more suited fit-for-purpose premises and location.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

In July we were informed that our local Leicester branch of Al Rayan Bank was going to close within 3 months. We decided to open an account with a local Bank as it would be difficult for us to continue banking with a bank which had no branch locally. By December we managed to open our charity account with Barclays despite the meagre amount of bank appointments due to Covid and decided to close our accounts with Al Rayan Bank a few days before the end of the December.

We also managed to register with Paypal as a charity organisation to be refunded fully for any public donations made online.

We do not have any employees and no investment policy as we are a very small charity.

Section F

Other optional information

Future projects:

- We intend to expand our services after reopening our centre to the public.
- Launch a newly designed website.
- Increase our regular donors and encourage signing up to Gift Aid contributions.
- To increase the frequency of food collections to support the local charities, other organisations and public institutions that look after the local people living in different types of crises, void of resources to look after their own subsistence needs.

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	MUHAMMAD ISA ABDULLAH	DAWOOD ABOWATH	TAMIR SUJANDIN
Full name(s)	MUHAMMAD ISA ABDULLAH	DAWOOD ABOWATH	TAMIR SUJANDIN
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIRMAN	VICE-CHAIRMAN	DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN

Date 26th October 2021



LIGHT OF HIRA			Charity No (if any)	1163530	CC39a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01-Jan-20	To	Period end date	31-Dec-20	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Descriptions by natural category	Note	Restricted			Total this year £	Total last year £
		Unrestricted funds £	income funds £	Endowment funds £		
		F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)						
Donations, legacies and Grants		6,706		-	6,706	7,272
Fundraising events		-	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		6,706	-	-	6,706	7,272
Resources expended (Notes 4-7)						
Cost of fundraising events		-	-	-	-	128
Rent, rates and Insurance		6,524	-	-	6,524	5,643
Repairs and maintenance		774	-	-	774	15
Light and heat		204	-	-	204	331
telephone postage and stationery		323	-	-	323	217
Donations and Grants		8,356	-	-	8,356	1,138
legal and professional fees		320			320	178
Total resources expended		16,501	-	-	16,501	7,650
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		-9,795	-	-	-9,795	-378
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		-9,795	-	-	-9,795	-378
Other recognised gains/(losses)						
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on investment assets		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		-9,795	-	-	- 9,795	-378
Total funds brought forward		19,616	-	-	19,616	19,994
Total funds carried forward		9,821	-	-	9,821	19,616

Section B Balance sheet

	Note	Total this year £ F01	Total last year £ F02
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets		56	56
		522	330
Investments		-	-
Total fixed assets		578	386
Current assets			
Stock and work in progress		-	-
Debtors		- 1,076	152
(Short term) investments		-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		10,319	19,078
Total current assets		9,243	19,230
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)		9,243	19,230
Total assets less current liabilities		9,821	19,616
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges		-	-
Net assets		9,821	19,616
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted funds		9,821	19,616
Designated funds		-	-
Total unrestricted funds		9,821	19,616
Restricted income funds		-	-
Endowment funds		-	-
Total funds		9,821	19,616

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Date of approval
Muhammad Isa Abdullah	31/Oct/20
Dawood Abowath	31/Oct/20
Tamir Sujandin	31/Oct/20

Section C

Notes to the accounts

Note 1 Basis of preparation

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice
- and with*

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 Accounting Standards FRS102;
- or

 Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE);
- and with the Charities Act.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

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Note 2 Accounting policies

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the charity becomes entitled to the resources; the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Incoming resources with related expenditure	Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.
Gifts in kind	Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.
Grants payable without performance conditions	These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.
Investments	Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.
Stocks and work in progress	These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**