



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	01	07	2020		30	06	2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Oxford Kurdish Association

**Other names charity is known by** OKA

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1169977

**Charity's principal address**

Flat 3

125 Iffley Road

Oxford

**Postcode**

**OX4 1EJ**

### 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	Mustafa Barcho		Appointed 01/11/2016	
2	Evin Abrishami		Appointed 01/09/2019	
3	Sherko Zen-Aloush		Appointed 23/01/2020	
4	Olga Batty		Appointed 23/01/2020	
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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

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

## Section B management

## Structure, governance and

### 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)	Appointed by other trustees

### 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.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

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

The objects of the organisation are to provide support to persons and families - to those either settled or recently displaced - through educational, moral, and material support - and through any other support as may be deemed appropriate. In addition, to provide a welcoming space in which to share languages, cultures and ideas, to the benefit of all in the Oxford area and beyond.

**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)**

Providing a meeting space for regular community meetings in the East Oxford Community Centre. The meetings are open to all regardless of race or religion.

Organising cultural and musical events to promote the work of the organisation.

One-to-one community advice service.

Supporting young people through sport, in particular a community football team.

We have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

**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.

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity continued supporting members of the community focussing on members who arrived as refugees from Syria, Turkey, Iraq and Iran.

Like many other small charities, OKA was heavily affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. OKA saw its largest community event cancelled in March 2020, and the regular meetings were postponed due to the lockdown.

The community in Oxford are not well connected online, so as an organisation we struggled to gather people at online meetings and events. All trustees had to take time out to adjust mentally and sort our personal and professional issues which appeared because of the national lockdown. Like many small charities, OKA's normal operations stalled, and the charity had to focus on individual targeted help and one-to-one support for families.

Help included teaching people new IT skills and organising online meetings, supporting people in getting access to food banks and support from the local council.

In May 2020 OKA organised meals for the local hospital to be prepared by members of the local community. It is charity's ethos to always employ members of local community and of refugee background. In this case some café owners volunteers and prepared 60 lunches for the NHS staff.

We also provided some individual support to refugees in need, including financial (paying for temporary accommodation) and through admin and advice on how to interact with the city council.

When lockdowns eased and sports activities were allowed to take place, we continued our long-standing commitment to supporting community football team.

Another Covid-19 activity was to employ a local tailor to make face masks for distribution in the community. This was done in the very early stages of the lockdown, and the masks were made with the pattern of the Kurdish flag, thus promoting community engagement and buy-in into the necessity to wear face masks at all times.

Overall there were no face-to-face activities during that period.

It is with great sadness that we report the death of our trustee, Essam Eldin Mohammed Ali Awany (1934-2021) on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Essam was a highly respected elder of the Oxford Kurdish community. He was a great advocate and mobiliser throughout his life, and collected invaluable historic artefacts connected with the Kurdish history. An engineer by profession, he was an adventurer (exploring Egypt's desert and coast with his family), a problem-solver and an advocate for so many people. Kurdish community in Oxford owes a great deal to his experience, kindness and wisdom.

## Section E Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are currently held in a current account. The National Lottery grant is the first funding received from public funds and is treated as a restricted fund to the approved project.

We continued to receive small donations from individuals and face-to-face fundraising.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

### 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.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

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

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Mustafa Barcho	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Mustafa Barcho	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	23/05/2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
Oxford Kurdish Association	1169977

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/07/2020	To	Period end date 30/06/2021
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donation	50	-	-	50	-
Newroz event reimbursement from City Council	250	-	-	250	-
Laurent L - donation to pay for hostel	64	-	-	64	-
Laurent L - donation to pay for hostel	64	-	-	64	-
Paypal - donation	42	-	-	42	-
Amazon Europe donation	7	-	-	7	-
Amazon Europe donation	5	-	-	5	-
		-	-	-	-
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<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>-</b>

### A3 Payments

Oxford Backpackers hostel payment	111	-	-	111	-
Oxford Backpackers hostel payment	20	-	-	20	-
Ali Mohamed - refugee support from donations	77	-	-	77	-
Ali Mohamed - refugee support from donations	64	-	-	64	-
Jodet S Ali - football team support	51	-	-	51	-
Paypal - material for community masks	70	-	-	70	-
Paypal - Mterial for community masks	27	-	-	27	-
K M Sidou - payment for making masks	53	-	-	53	-
Siteground - annual website hosting	288	-	-	288	-
Oxford Community Action - community food delivery for 25 parcels	25	-	-	25	-
Oxford Academy - football pitch hire for 3 months	468	-	-	468	-
Grammarly subscription	45	-	-	45	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
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CCXX R1 accounts (SS)	-	1	-	-	27/05/2022 -

<b>Sub total</b>	1,297	-	-	1,297	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	1,297	-	-	1,297	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	- 816	-	-	- 816	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	- 816	-	-	- 816	-

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>6,431</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Olga Batty	Olga Batty	23/05/2022	