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1170207

The Peace Institute

Trustees Report

For the year ending 01 January 2022



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1.0 Introduction

The trustees of the Peace Institute present their annual report and accounts for the year ending 01 January 2022 and confirm they comply with the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006 and the trust deed.

2.0 Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name	The Peace Institute
Charity Registration Number	1170207
Principal Office (Correspondence)	125 High Street West Town Dewsbury WF13 2QG
Board of Trustees	Mufti Mohammed Amin Pandor Halima Hossain Yousaf Baig (Moulana)
Bankers	Barclays Bank 10 Market Street Bradford BD1 1EG

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3.0 Structure, Governance and Governing Document

The Peace Institute is constituted as a COI and is registered with the Charity Commission in November 2016 under charity number 1170207 and is available on the Charity Commission's website.

4.0 Organisational Structure

The charity trustees are responsible for the control and management of the charity. The trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other financial benefits.

The trustees meet together as a body regularly and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to running the organization and the activities provided by the charity. To assist in the smooth running of the charity the trustees have recruited a number of volunteers

5.0 Appointment and Induction of Trustees

The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment of new trustees. New trustees are chosen for their understanding of the community and have earned the respect of the wider community.

In selecting new trustees, we seek to identify people who regularly attend events and functions organised by the charity and are willing to volunteer to help in our broader community work. Potential trustees are invited to attend trustees' meetings as observers and are given more details of the charity's aims and activities and, if all agree, they are then proposed as new trustees at the subsequent trustees' meeting. This process allows due consideration of the person's eligibility, personal competence, specialist knowledge and skills.

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their role and given copies of the trust deed and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also signposted including the guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of religion for the public benefit. This ensures that new trustees are aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act. Initially, new trustees work with an existing trustee assisting on particular activities and projects run by the charity.

6.0 Risk Management

The trustees assess risks on a project by project basis as satisfy themselves that adequate systems are put in place.

7.0 Objectives of the Organisation

Our objectives have been set out in our governing document as follows;

- 1) To advance the Islamic faith as a peaceful way of life in UK and abroad for the benefit of the public through:
 - a) Providing places of worship, conducting religious ceremonies and safe social facilities and spaces for youth and others for moral and spiritual improvement.
 - b) Holding of religious worship.
 - c) Producing and disseminating of religious communications including lectures, dialogue, literature, advice and awareness on Islam using all forms of media.
 - d) Resolving conflicts and challenges pertaining to the peaceful Islamic beliefs and practices.
 - e) Researching, responding, challenging and disseminating information on contemporary issues and challenges affecting Islam.
 - f) Engaging and interacting with the wider public and other institutions to raise awareness and understanding of the peaceful nature of Islam.
- 2) The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship anywhere in the world and to anyone by providing and / or assisting in the provision of food, housing, education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.
- 3) The relief of financial need and suffering among victims of war, natural disaster, trouble, catastrophe or other kinds of disaster in the form of money or other means deemed suitable for persons, bodies, organisations and / or countries affected including the provision of medical aid.
- 4) The promotion of religious and racial harmony for the public benefit through:
 - a) Promoting knowledge and mutual understanding between different groups on the different belief systems and no belief systems.
 - b) Advancing education and raising awareness about different racial and religious and non-religious groups to promote good relations and highlight common ground to promote humanity and harmony.
 - c) Working towards the elimination of discrimination and mistrust on the grounds of race, religion and no religion.

8.0 Strategies

The implementation of our strategy has been somewhat delayed mainly due to post Covid 19 period. The trustees are still committed to building a **“Peace Centre”** which will be a one stop facility where all people (people of faith and no faith, Muslims and non-Muslims) or those who wish to know more about our faith can gather together to learn.

This facility will be accessible by all who wish to understand real Islam in the 21st century and its compatibility with global universal values and train the next generation of youth.

9.0 Activities for the Financial Year

The activities of “The Peace institute” this year have been varied and covers aspects of social cohesion and awareness raising throughout the world about the injustices.

Our activities and initiatives included the following;

9.1 Interfaith Forums

Two of the Directors actively participate in various interfaith and Intra faith forums. In our local area and beyond. The Chair was also invited to interfaith events outside the area.

9.2 Faith Advisory Service at the University of Huddersfield

The Peace Institute directors have had considerable involvement in the design and layout of the new faith center at the University

The University have now recruited paid staff for faith advisory work and we still works closely with the University as and when required.

9.3 School Visits to Local Mosques

The Peace Institute continues to arrange visits for school students in the local area who are studying religious education. We try to make the visit as enjoyable as possible. The only condition we put is that no questions are out of bounds. We encourage them to ask anything

We have manage to dispel many myths about the peaceful religion of Islam. Feedback from the schools and students has always been very positive.

9.4 Conflict Resolution at Local Schools

Our directors continue to resolve conflicts between local schools and Parents on all sorts of issues before they become National News. This is one of our unique roles. The police and schools have commended us for the valuable service we provide.

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9.5 Encouraging Democratic Participation

Scholars of The Peace Institute have been active in getting people involved in the democratic process at local elections. We ensure people register themselves to vote. The Peace Institute equipped people to make informed choices and above all participate in the democratic process without endorsing any particular political party.

9.6 Plight of Muslims Globally

The Peace Institute continues to support victims of global conflicts. This includes raising awareness through seminars, public meetings, collecting donations, writing to officials and holding special prayers. This year we have been active in supporting the plight of Muslim, Christian and Dalits in India

9.7 Youth Programs

Directors of the Peace Institute are active in holding seminars, talk and Friday sermons in various religious establishment to highlight the peaceful nature of Islam and Islamic values.

9.8 Islamic Marriage Ceremonies

Normally marriages are conducted in Mosques. However not all Muslims reside in the vicinity of a mosque. The Directors have conducted a number of marriage ceremonies throughout the year.

9.9 Adult Islamic Learning

The scholars of the Peace Institute conducts weekly classes for adult at a basics to an advance level. Subjects include;

- Quran reading with proper pronunciations,
- Quranic Exegesis.
- Belief (Aqeeda).
- Classical Arabic.
- Hadith.
- Jurisprudence.
- Islamic History and modern challenges.
- Discussions on related and unrelated issues.

10.0 Volunteers

We are grateful to our dedicated volunteers who are an important resource in both our faith and community work. Volunteers have been involved in all our activities and have given their valuable time freely. All our trustees have also given their time freely.

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11.0 Income Sources

All the funds received by The Peace Institute are solely from Muslim donors in the form of Zakat, Sadaqa, Fitrana and Lillah. We have not received any other funding this year nor previously.

12.0 Going Concerns

The Peace Institute is a stable organizations and is able to meet its obligations and continue its charitable work for the foreseeable future. Its activities are run by the trustees and volunteers in a purely voluntary capacity.

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14.0 Plans Going Forward

We are committed to build a “**Peace Centre**” in Kirklees which will benefit all regardless of their background. It is envisaged that the center will be a state of the art matchless facility for and will be a beacon of peace and understanding between Islam and the West. We propose to build a facility accessible by all who wish to understand real Islam in the 21st century and its compatibility with global universal values and train the next generation of youth.

15.0 Trustees' Responsibilities


The Charities Act requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to;

- Select suitable accounting policies and 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.

- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

16.0 Financial Summary

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	The Peace Institute		1170207		CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts				
	For the period from	02/01/2021	To	01/01/2022	
Section A Receipts and payments					
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Carry over from last year	-	13	-	13	-
17/05/21 - Zakat	-	270	-	270	-
17/05/21 - Zakat	-	8,986	-	8,986	-
01/06/21 - Zakat	-	530	-	530	-
24/11/21 - Zakat	-	230	-	230	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	-	10,029	-	10,029	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	10,029	-	10,029	-
A3 Payments					
	-	10,016	-	10,016	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	10,016	-	10,016	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	10,016	-	10,016	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	13	-	13	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	13	-	13	-

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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			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	Agreement Error	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>M A Pandor</i>	M A Pandor	02/11/2022	

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