



مؤسسة نور الشام الخيرية

NOUR AL-SHAM

FOUNDATION

Charity No 1172524



ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

For The Year Ended 31 March 2023



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Nour Al-Sham is a registered charity in the UK in response to the Syrian crisis. The charity works on the Syrian Turkish border, Lebanon, Jordan, and Türkiye to serve the needy and ease the suffering of thousands of families.

Syria Crisis has resulted in enormous suffering for millions of people inside the country and over 5.6 million are living as refugees in neighbouring countries like Türkiye, Lebanon, and Jordan.

- 6.1 million children in need.
- 20.5 million people in need.
- 5.5 million registered refugees.

EMERGENCY

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We, at Nour Al-Sham Foundation, feel honoured and pleased by Allah SWT to help thousands of families, elderly, widows, and orphans through our humanitarian projects to save lives and make a difference for Syrians.

Assalaamu alaikum. I'm Muthanna Nabhan, and as the chairman of the Nour Al-Sham Foundation, I am very proud to share our performance for the past year by helping people change their lives for the better, especially orphans who need more care. However, we understand that the challenge is not over yet as the number of Syrian refugees has been dramatically increasing, hence intensive work is needed to provide education and provide them with life-saving aid to survive and alleviate the hardship they live in.





I would like to thank our donors, supporters, volunteers, and members of staff who have been part of our success. Finally, I pray to Allah SWT to give us the strength and make it easy for us to continue serving the community and make a positive impact.

Muthanna Nabhan
Chairman
Nour Al-Sham Foundation

VISION, MISSION & VALUES

Our Vision

to be the leading charity that helps save the lives of Syrian people and makes change.

Our Mission

to help people in need and make their lives easier by giving emergency help and doing sustainable projects that break the cycle of poverty.

Our Values

- Empathy in our actions
- Transparency and accountability to our donors and supporters
- action with uniqueness in our projects to fill the gap we identified.
- Equal opportunity and dignity for all people
- Empowering individuals and communities for long-lasting impact

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

01

To advance the religion of Islam across the UK by means of, but not exclusively, promoting the teachings and tenants of Islam, provision of facilities for worship and Islamic education, in accordance with the teachings of the Quran and of the prophet Muhammad (pbuh) as defined and interpreted by the Ahle Sunnah WalJama'a for the benefit of the public.

02

The prevention of poverty and financial hardship anywhere in the world as trustees think it fit, by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

03

The relief of sick poor living anywhere in the world either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

04

To advance the education of pupils at Nour Al-Sham Schools anywhere in the world by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities (not required to be provided by the local education authority) for education at the schools.

OUR GOALS



- to alleviate the sufferings of needy families and individuals by providing emergency aid such as food, water, and medical supplies.
- to educate children by providing educational institutions with student sponsorship.
- to empower women and enable them to participate in lifting poverty in their communities.



WHERE & WHAT WE DO

We work at the Syrian-Turkish border, in Lebanon, and in Jordan to serve the needy and ease the suffering of thousands of families through our team and local partners. Nour Al-Sham helps vulnerable people and families to survive, and we provide long-term sustainable projects that make a great impact.

While responding to emergencies is one of our top priorities, we also work on long-term strategies to eradicate poverty by focusing on:

- Humanitarian/Emergency Aid;
- Education;
- Health care; and
- Waqf (Endowment).
- Housing

These projects ensure that individuals can have access to essential necessities.

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

Syrian Crisis

After 13 years of war, the Syrian refugee crisis remains the world's largest refugee and displacement crisis of our time.

Many Syrian children have only known war. These grim circumstances have had an extreme effect on their mental, physical, and social health, putting the future of children at risk who will one day need to rebuild Syria.

- 1 million children need humanitarian aid to meet their basic needs in Syria and neighbouring countries.
- More than 12 million people have fled their homes.
- Over 80% of Syrians are living below the poverty line.

Humanitarian Programs

Nour Al-Sham responded to the humanitarian needs by spending £121,750 to reach over 20,000 direct beneficiaries.

Food

20,000 people were fed

Food is scarce at the Syrian – Turkish border. The economy is destroyed due to the ongoing war; therefore, essential food items have become very expensive.

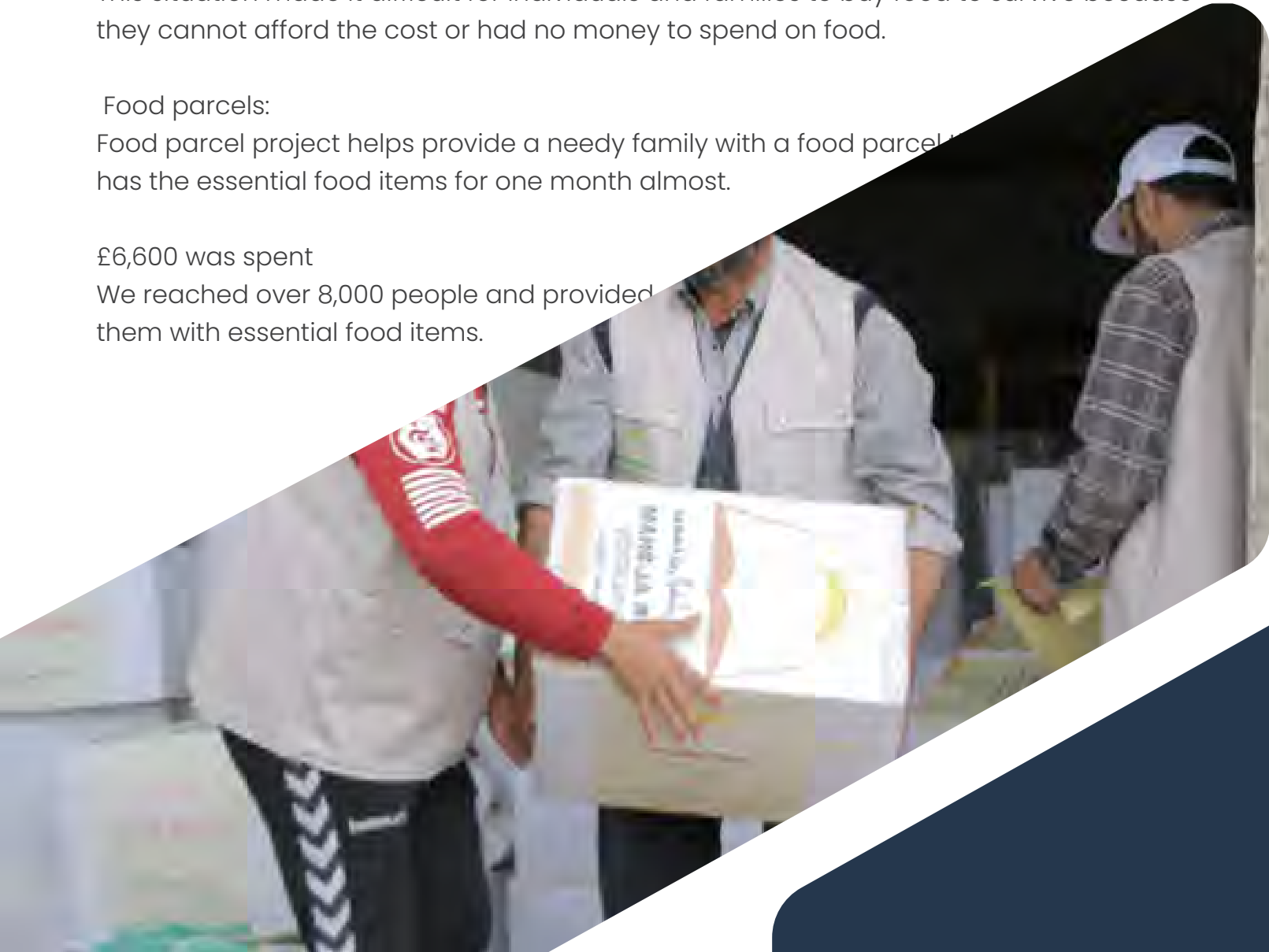
This situation made it difficult for individuals and families to buy food to survive because they cannot afford the cost or had no money to spend on food.

Food parcels:

Food parcel project helps provide a needy family with a food parcel that has the essential food items for one month almost.

£6,600 was spent

We reached over 8,000 people and provided them with essential food items.



Bread

Bread distribution project aims to secure and provide daily fresh bread to feed poor people such as orphans, widows, elderly & disabled people.

£1,100 was spent

We distributed fresh bread to 5,000 people.

Water

Another aspect of the crisis for Syrian people is the lack of water. Now millions of people live there without enough clean water to drink which is essential for life and survival.

£4,100 was spent

11,000 people benefited

We delivered clean water to over than 11,000 people throughout the year.

Qurbani

Qurbani is the religious sacrifice of sheep, goats, and cattle between the tenth and twelfth days of Dhul Hijjah. Our Qurbani project gives our donors the opportunity to provide nutritious food and feed thousands of needy families in Syrian camps.

£6,000 was spent.

650 families were fed

With the support of our donors, we managed to implement the Qurbani on their behalf and feed hundreds of people with fresh meat on Eid.

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Winter Aid

The brutally cold weather is taking its toll on the Syrian refugees. They are forced to spend the freezing nights in makeshift tents with no resources to keep themselves warm. It's hard to protect themselves in the relentless cold without warm clothes, blankets, food, proper shelters, and heaters.

We work on the ground to help these people survive during the winter season by providing a family with food packs, blankets, heaters, and a place that can shelter them from the cold weather.

4,000 people benefited

£13,000 was raised

During winter season, we were able to provide food parcels, blankets, coals supply & heaters, and warm clothing.

Elderly

Syrian elderly people are highly vulnerable to illnesses and malnutrition, and unfortunately, many of them are left without any care or financial support.

As part of Nour Al-Sham's mission, we help the destitute elderly by providing them with nutritious food, financial support, and health care so they get the care they need.

6 elderly people were reached

A total of £ 600 was spent.

Through this project, we supported vulnerable elders by providing them with essential aid and financial support.



Orphan

Orphan and Child Welfare

Orphan sponsorship is one of our main projects, and we aim to make a difference in children's lives through it. Orphans are the most vulnerable people, and we take care of them by providing them with the basic necessities to survive and build a better future for them.

£20,000 was spent

70 Orphan children benefited

Over 500 orphans benefited from our orphan sponsorship project indirectly. We provided financial support, food, clothes, and Eid gifts during Eid festivals. This project has a significant impact on children's lives to ease their suffering, help them survive, and bring happiness to children in need.



Development Programs

Education

Student Sponsorship

In Syria, most of the schools have been destroyed completely because of the ongoing conflict. We believe that education is key for a brighter future and is the way to break the poverty cycle. Our goal is to teach children well in a safe environment so they can grow up well-educated to provide for themselves and serve the community.

The Al-Nour school project allows donors to sponsor a teacher and a student at the Syrian border to help children come back to school and continue their education.

A total of £3,000 was spent.

Thirty children were reached through the educational program.

We helped children enrol in school and receive financial support to continue their education.

Hafiz

Hafiz Sponsorship

We run a Hafiz sponsorship project at the Syrian border with the goal of spreading the knowledge and understanding of the Holy Quran and the Sunnah of our Prophet.

£6,800 was spent

65 Children had been reached through our educational program.

Waqf (Endowment)

Under Islamic law, a waqf is a religious endowment of property to be held in trust and used for charitable or religious purposes' is permanent, and it means giving away a building, a piece of land, or other assets with no plans to get them back.

Waqf has great benefits for society as well. It is a very effective way to improve economic impact and long-term support for future generations. The establishment of waqf enables you to revive the Sunnah of the Prophet (PBUH) and help the community continuously.



Shelter Waqf (Orphanage)

In light of the instability and difficult living conditions in Syria, especially for the internally displaced people, a humanitarian imbalance happened that led to catastrophic results at all levels, especially for orphans, widows, and the elderly.

At Nour Al-Sham, we have started a shelter waqf to build long-lasting, full-home shelters for displaced families and many orphans at the border between Syria and Turkey.

Shelter Waqf (orphanage) consists of:

- Home shelter.
- building two schools.
- building a mosque.
- Mini-supermarket.
- Energy/Power suppliers.
- Four small playground gardens.

£30,000 were spent

1200 people will benefit and we will provide permanent shelters for displaced & vulnerable families, orphans & widows.




UK Program

At Nour Al-Sham Foundation, we recognised that the local British community needed our support to provide help for individual during the pandemic time and grant for local partners to continue support the communities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nour Al-Sham is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Foundation with The Charity Commission in England and Wales, under registration number 1172524. Our governing document is a Foundation constitution and who's only voting members are our charity trustees.



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Appointment of New Trustees:

A new Board of Trustees is appointed in accordance with the constitution of Nour Al-Sham Foundation. The trustees are responsible for general management and control of the charity to ensure that it operates within the guidelines dictated by the Charity Commission and its own governing documents.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees confirm that they comply with the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit in pursuance of the Charity's aim.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements for each financial year, in accordance with all legal and regulatory requirements applicable to registered charities in England & Wales

The Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law, and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice.

Under charity law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity, its income and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and accounting 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 the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain The Charity's transactions and 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 Charities Act 2011.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of The Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by The Trustees of the Charity on 31 Jan 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Muthanna NABHAN
Chairman

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charitable incorporated organisation:

CE010019

(England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

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Muthanna Nabhan

Alahnaf Hajkadour Kousa

Mohammed Mahmood

Mohammad ElShafie



CAMPAIGNS & FUNDRAISING HIGHLIGHTS

Nour Al-Sham worked with a third-party agency and in-house team to provide fund-raising acquisition. Campaigns and fundraising activities are monitored through supervision. All activities are planned, budgeted, and monitored.

Our community fundraising engages with our target demographic to help build a relationship between our organisation and those who support our aims and objectives.

Our fundraising model is a community-focused fundraising which includes:

- Online giving
- Individual donor giving
- Live TV appeals
- Live Radio appeals
- Events
- Volunteers

PRINCIPLE RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk management is an integral part of day to day and strategic decision making, given that Nour Al-Sham Foundation works at Syrian-Turkish border, Lebanon and Jordan where there are humanitarian needs with inherent high-risk factors to contend with at varying times.

Risk Management

The Trustees take their responsibilities towards staff, donors, and beneficiaries very seriously. An important aspect of discharging these responsibilities involves the identification and management of all potential risks that might compromise staff, resources, or ability to deliver programs.

The Charity, therefore, has the ultimate duty to regularly identify and review the risks to which The Charity is exposed, and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud, malicious acts, and error. The Trustees, along with the senior staff, actively review these risks on a regular basis.

Risks are complex, due to the nature of the work we carry out. They are assessed on the basis of their likelihood and potential impact, which would allow the implementation of mitigation strategies to manage these risks. Also, wherever possible, risks are covered by suitable insurance, to reduce their financial impact.

The principal risks to the charity have been identified as:

1. Reputation:

One of the most valuable assets of any charity is its reputation. It is vitally important that we do all we can to meet the expectations of our donors, beneficiaries, supporters and other organisations that we partner with.

To protect The Charity against reputational damage, we implement the following policies:

We work very hard to ensure that integrity and transparency are embedded in all our policies and procedures. Conflict of interest; Anti-Bribery; and Anti-Money Laundering policies (Financial management) are introduced and closely monitored.

Senior level representation on many important forums and influential fronts, to ensure positive visibility, including a strong media presence.

2. Operational:

Risks in this area include physical risks to our personnel and volunteers, and risks compromising the continuation of project delivery. To mitigate against such risks, The Charity has taken the following actions:

- Developed Standard Operating Procedures for common processes to protect against loss of key staff or volunteers;
- Improved the quality and the scope of training, to disseminate skills and good practice within the organisation, and to ensure staff safety and wellbeing;
- Regular reviews of key systems and procedures to improve and strengthen the internal policies and communication processes, thus maintaining a clear structure of delegated authority and control;
- Applied robust due diligence policy in our dealings with donors;
- Adopted clear processes to review and assess our performance management system on the ground;
- All programs have up-to-date security policies, which include the provision of regular comprehensive security briefings and assessments, in response to rapid changes in the political situation;
- Culture and Behavior – Nour Al-Sham monitors and learns lessons from peer organisations and as such focused on ensuring it develops the right culture and behavior as The Charity grows:
 - As such we have undertaken a review of policy and procedures to ensure they are 'fit for purpose'.
 - Enhanced support to field offices at Syrian – Turkish border.
 - A program of regular training for all staff.

The Trustees, are therefore, satisfied that adequate systems and procedures are in place to manage and minimize exposure to the identified risks.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to continue the projects and to expand them as required by needs on the ground, and determined by the limits of our capacity. In addition, we will continue to consider other projects, within the funds and staff capacity available, and based up-to-date needs. Furthermore, we will continue to closely monitor the progress of the various projects and to analyse the challenges facing them.

- We will work to provide the most significant projects for our beneficiaries.
- We ensure to have the resources and systems in place to play a leading role in defining and shaping the direction of The Charity. The quality of projects implemented aligns with humanitarian principles and is delivered in the most efficient and effective way.
- We will ensure professionalism, integrity, transparency and accountability in our work.
- We aim to reach out to some institutional funders during this year.

Section C Notes to the accounts

Note 6

Expenditure

Analysis	This year			Last year	
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Total funds
Expenditure on raising funds:				£	£
Incurring seeking donations	33,506	-	-	33,506	32,853
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	6,777	-	-	6,777	2,572
Total expenditure on raising funds	40,284	-	-	40,284	35,426
Expenditure on charitable activities:					
Funds transferred to people in need, shelter food water and other projects	2,787	65,800	-	68,587	206,958
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure on charitable activities	2,787	65,800	-	68,587	206,958
Other					
Premises Cost (Rent Rates Light & Heat)	7,200	-	-	7,200	7,237
Plant And Machinery & equipment	1,250	-	-	1,250	3,257
Travel & motor Expense	1,854	-	-	1,854	1,381
Bank & other financial Charges	842	-	-	842	714
Other Legal & professional	650	-	-	650	654
Office and other cost	1,084	-	-	1,084	913
Equipment & Fixture (BS)	-	-	-	-	-
Total other expenditure	12,880	-	-	12,880	14,156
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	55,951	65,800	-	121,751	256,539

Other information:

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Activity or programme	This year				Last year
	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities	Support Costs	Total this year	Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£
Activity 1	55,951	65,800	-	121,751	256,539
Activity 2	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	55,951	65,800	-	121,751	256,539

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 3 Income

Analysis of income		Unrestricted funds	Restricted Income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Prior year £
Donations and legacies:	Donations and gifts	59,169	65,800	-	124,969	-
	Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	-
	Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
	General grants provided by government/other charities	-	-	-	-	-
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	-	-	-	-	-
	Donated goods, facilities and services	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total		59,169	65,800	-	124,969	-

TOTAL INCOME	59,169	65,800	-	124,969	-
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Other Information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for:
(please provide description and amounts)

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for those mentioned above

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Section B Balance sheet

		Guidance Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04
Fixed assets						
Intangible assets (Note 15)	B01		-	-	-	-
Tangible assets (Note 14)	B02		2,037	-	-	2,037
Heritage assets (Note 16)	B03		-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17)	B04		-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B05		2,037	-	-	2,037
Current assets						
Stocks (Note 18)	B06		-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 19)	B07		-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17.4)	B08		-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)	B09		39,047	-	-	39,047
Total current assets	B10		39,047	-	-	39,047
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 20)	B11		-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B12		39,047	-	-	39,047
Total assets less current liabilities	B13		41,084	-	-	41,084
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 20)	B14		-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	B15		-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	B16		41,084	-	-	41,084
Funds of the Charity						
Endowment funds (Note 27)	B17		-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)	B18		-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	B19		41,084	-	-	41,084
Revaluation reserve	B20		-	-	-	-
Fair value reserve	B21		-	-	-	-
Total funds	B22		41,084	-	-	41,084

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

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

Print Name
Muhammad NABHAN
<i>[Signature]</i>

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Annual accounts for the period			
01-Apr-22	To	31-Mar-23	

Section A Statement of financial activities (Including summary income and expenditure account)

Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total funds £ F04	Prior year funds £ F05
Income (Note 3)						
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	S01	59,169	65,800	-	124,969	281,467
Charitable activities	S02	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	S03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	S04	-	-	-	-	-
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	-	-	-	-	-
Total	S07	59,169	65,800	-	124,969	281,467
Expenditure (Notes 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	S08	-	-	-	-	35,426
Charitable activities	S09	121,751	-	-	121,751	206,958
Separate material expense item	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	-	-	-	-	14,155
Total	S12	121,751	-	-	121,751	256,539
Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the reporting period	S13	- 62,582	65,800	-	3,218	24,929
Tax payable	S14	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) after tax before investment gains/(losses)	S15	- 62,582	65,800	-	3,218	24,929
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) Extraordinary items	S17	- 62,582	65,800	-	3,218	24,929
Transfers between funds	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S20	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S21	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S22	- 62,582	65,800	-	3,218	24,929
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S23	37,774	-	-	37,774	12,845
Total funds carried forward	S24	- 24,808	65,800	-	40,992	37,774



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