

ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

England & Wales · Charity number 1172565

Details

Other names AQRT UK

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-04-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO ADVANCE THE RELIGION OF ISLAM, IN PARTICULAR SUFI PRACTICES AND TEACHINGS, FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT, BY ORGANISING REGULAR PRAYER MEETINGS, LECTURES, CELEBRATION OF RELIGIOUS FESTIVALS AND LITERATURE ON SUFISM TO EDUCATE OTHERS ABOUT ISLAM AND SUFISM.2. THE PROMOTION OF RELIGIOUS HARMONY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC BY PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND RESPECT OF THE BELIEFS AND PRACTICES OF DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS FAITHS THROUGH THE ORGANISATION, PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT OF INTERFAITH EVENTS AND PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED KINGDOM.3. THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED, BY REASON OF YOUTH, AGE, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR OTHER DISADVANTAGE.

Activities: CHARITABLE OBJECTIVESThe advancement of Islam and Sufism by Interfaith and Intra-faith activitiesPromotion of religious harmony, promoting tolerance and understanding.Relief of those in need.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£13,515	£14,811	-	-
2024-03-31	£16,864	£13,216	-	-
2023-03-31	£18,813	£20,616	-	-
2022-03-31	£12,500	£11,502	-	-
2021-03-31	£10,662	£11,157	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
AMINA JAPPIE	Chair	2017-02-02
FAGHRIE JAPPIE		2017-02-02
Fadila Laloui		2018-08-17
Rita Goolamhossen		2018-08-17
SUKAINAH JAUHAR		2017-02-02

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Achievements and performance

The ongoing conflict in Middle east has continued to have a significant impact on many charities working on Inter and Intra Faith issues in the UK. AQRT UK is still facing significant challenges and restrictions in continuing to deliver our charitable objectives. However, AQRT UK has held its weekly on-site congregational zikrs (Sufi meditation) and providing Zoom access to the zikrs. This has enabled us to provide spiritual meditation, support and Sufi teachings, and support for mental wellbeing and social isolation and loneliness.

Overall, we provided services to more than 1,100 individuals through the following activities:

Congregational Zikr

The format of the weekly zikr remained the same and was open to everyone who came in peace. A short talk on aspect of Sufism is given prior to each zikr. The topics covered a range of Sufi teachings i.e. love, forgiveness, tolerance, etc. The onsite and online Tuesday zikr is advertised on Meetup and Eventbrite. We had attendees from different faiths and no faith and from abroad. Those present are welcome to participate or simply observe. After the meditation we pray for Love, Peace, Togetherness, Unity and Prosperity for all humanity. From April 2024 to March 2025, the total number of attendees to our onsite and online was about 950 (427 men and 523 women).

Post COVID some of our activities which formerly involved face to face, group and Community based initiatives are now conducted via Zoom and other online methods

Interfaith and Intra-faith work

We continued to engage with Faith and Community Groups as well as focusing on rebuilding existing networks and to develop new contacts. The lead Trustee maintained involvement with NHS and Local Authority groups and Interfaith Networks such as the South London Interfaith Group (SLIFG) and Faiths Together in Lambeth (FTIL)

Racism, religious intolerance has continued to negatively affect communities. In the year ending March 2025: there were 137,750 hate crimes recorded by the police in England and Wales¹, with recorded religious hate crimes up by 25%.

AQRT UK has continued to promote community cohesion and harmony thorough our activities which included challenging the dissemination of a negative and incorrect view of Islam, cultural and traditional practices and anti-Semitism. AQRT UK took part in joint discussion groups and activities aimed to combat and change these belief systems, help differentiate cultural practices from religious practices and promote Islam and Sufi teachings which promote Love, Peace and

¹ (<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/hate-crime-england-and-wales-year-ending-march-2025/hate-crime-england-and-wales-year-ending-march-2025#section1>)

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Togetherness. In this spirit of inclusiveness, we have tried to ensure we support religious harmony and mutual understanding and provide factual information to all interested people. We have continued to collaborate with other community and faith groups with whom we share common principles and aims, by trying to continue to maintain networks and links, and develop and share knowledge and respect for the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

A few examples are highlighted below:

- We have continued our active membership of the South London Interfaith Group (SLIFG) which aims to promote harmony and joint working. Our representative on the group with brief for Inter faith dialogue is a member the steering committee which enables closer collaboration and active involvement with the group and its activities. This included monthly interfaith dialogue meetings where important topical issues, aspects of our beliefs and behaviours were discussed from a multi-faith or intra-faith perspective.
- AQRT UK was involved in the planning and delivery of SLIFG organized Faith Community events such as workshops, discussion groups, prayer circles, Eid and Ramadan, Iftar and other festivals. In particular we supported a range of events during Inter Faith Week which aimed to increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities locally, celebrate the contribution which their members make to society; and increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs.
- AQRT UK continued to feed into SE London Integrated Care Board system in respect of engagement methods with Faith and Community Groups to address, misinformation and barriers to accessing services.
- AQRT UK is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO) and during the year we have used their information and training services.

A few examples of Interfaith activities we were involved, are highlighted below:

- AQRT UK worked with Soul Connections where we disseminated information and took part in activities ringing people from different Faith backgrounds together to form friendships, organised group visits to places of interest and social activities such as community picnics.
- At several AQRT UK weekly congregational Zikr talks we explained and discussed a range of Sufi and Islamic beliefs aimed at dispelling misunderstanding to non-Muslim attendees.
- AQRT UK was invited again to join in the annual “Light up a Life” event at St John’s Hospice in London in December 2025. The event included a multi-faith service, where AQRT UK participated in the remembrance service and prayed for the deceased and the bereaved family members. engaged in networking and discussion with other faith members and organisations.

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Promotion of Islam and Sufism

The promotion of Sufism and Islam took place online and onsite during the weekly congregational zikrs. This was delivered through talks followed by questions and answers before or after each zikr where principles, methodology, practices, stories and culture of Sufism are discussed and taught. Spiritual teaching by the AQRT UK chaplains was also provided on a one-to-one basis, as well as in depth phone calls to discuss Sufism. Further opportunities for contact, as well as email discussions come via social media. We also use our Inter Faith work as an opportunity to promote Islam and Sufism.

The spiritual head of our Sufi order Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari was invited by AQRT UK to provide teaching in London in April and in November 2024. Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari led the Tuesday congregational zikrs in April and November 2024 during her stay in London which were attended each by an average of 65 people from different faiths. Our spiritual leader also provided teaching to AQRT UK members as well as one to one consultation.

Each year, AQRT UK typically organises a Sufi study trip led by the spiritual head of our Sufi order, as part of our ongoing Teaching Programme. In April 2024, we embarked on a two-day journey to Scotland to explore Roslyn Chapel, deepening our understanding of Christian heritage. Later, in November 2024, a three-day trip to Rome was arranged, during which we visited the Vatican and other significant Christian and Ancient Rome sites

Finally, we organised a self-funded Umrah pilgrimage to Mecca, Saudi Arabia, under the leadership of our spiritual head. The group comprised students from AQRT UK alongside participants from other Ansari Qadiri Rifai Tariqa centres in France, South Africa, and the United States. As part of the journey, the group also visited several other significant religious and historical sites.

Additionally, we have continued to support isolated and unwell students and members through regular phone contact, ensuring they remain connected and cared for within our community.

Support and Mentoring

AQRT UK spiritual leaders continue to support students and members of the public by being regularly available via phone calls, emails and individual meetings.

Practical Help and Support

Work to relieve poverty

Being a very small charity, this aspect of our charitable objectives post COVID-19 pandemic is still being impacted due to the loss of donation and the availability of our volunteers. We are committed to developing this work stream and hope to increase our ability to fundraise and apply successfully for funding.

We have developed an emergency programme through which families and individuals experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness and who need emergency support are provided with food and essential goods upon assessment. In 2024, AQRT UK made food donations to a food bank in Brixton and collected and donated clothing to refugee groups and local charities.

Our membership and trustees have diverse cultural backgrounds and include social workers, medical professionals, and Safeguarding consultants. We also have links to the Sufi and wider Muslim community. Consequently, we can respond quickly by providing support to address and meet urgent needs. We have experience of working in partnership including local Social Services and other voluntary sector organisations. We are currently restrained by limited funding and availability of volunteers.

Future aims and objectives

Our charity objectives will continue to shape the trustees' future plans with a target to expand our activities especially on work to relief poverty. Being a very small charity with limited funding solely based on individual donations at this stage, we intend where possible to focus on partnership bids which will maximise resources by preventing duplication. However, access to funding presents a major challenge both operationally and financially, as well as the increasing the need for services as more people face poverty and isolation.

Financial review

AQRT UK had total receipts of £13515 as shown on the Receipts and Payments Accounts. For the year ended 31 March 2025, there were net payments of £1296 (2024: net receipts £3648). All AQRT UK assets are held for the furtherance of its objectives and are adequate and sufficient to meet its objectives. AQRT UK did apply for grants during the year ended 31 March 2025 but was unsuccessful. AQRT UK does not employ any staff and trustees do not receive any remuneration. Trustees and volunteers can receive reasonable travel allowance subsistence cost.

Reserves policy

The trustees review the reserve policy of the organisation annually. Their decision on the level of the reserve depends on the level of the unrestricted funds available. For this year, they decided that the current level of reserve should be maintained at least at a level equivalent to approximately three months' expenditure (excluding the collection and distribution of Zakat, Fidyah, ninety percent of tithing and our community activities and programme). The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of any significant drop in the organisation's funding, they will be able to continue AQRT UK's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This leaves free reserve at 31 March 2025 of £316 which is equal to around 3 months average expenditure during the year ended 31 March 2025.

Principal funding sources

The current Charity's main source of income is through individual donations, donations at zikr, zakat, fidyah and ten percent on each tithing collected by members. The total amount donated at Zikr was £nil.

Restriction on funds

Restricted income includes ninety percent tithing payable to the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA, linked to the teaching, training, spiritual development and individual support provided to the Charity's members. Restricted income includes zakat and fidya and these funds are to be used solely for the relief of need, financial hardship and for AQRT UK activities.

Investment Policy

There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest but as we do not have available funds to make investments this is not an immediate issue for us.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Receipts and Payments Accounts ("financial statements") in accordance with applicable law and receipts and payments accounting.

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the receipts and payments of the charity for that period.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that 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.

The trustees' annual report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



Amina Jappie

Chair of the Ansari Qadiri Sufi Order of the UK



**CHARITY COMMISSION
 FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
 report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order Of The United Kingdom		
	On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2025	Charity no (if any)
Set out on pages	10 - 11 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").


I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:


- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:		Date:	29/01/2026
Name:	Irfan Hussain BFP FCA		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Fellow of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales		
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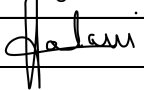
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	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM		1172565	CC16a
		Receipts and payments accounts			
	For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-24	To	Period end date 31-Mar-25	
Section A Receipts and 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					
Donations	2,016	-	-	2,016	3,795
Tithing	1,126	10,133	-	11,259	12,439
Zakaat and Fidya	-	240	-	240	630
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	3,142	10,373	-	13,515	16,864
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	3,142	10,373	-	13,515	16,864
A3 Payments					
Premises rent	1,281	-	-	1,281	2,268
Teaching program	1,845	-	-	1,845	925
Bank charges	234	-	-	234	217
General expenses	1,634	-	-	1,634	806
Zakaat and Fidya	-	1,518	-	1,518	-
Tithing paid	-	8,300	-	8,300	9,000
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,993	9,818	-	14,811	13,216
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,993	9,818	-	14,811	13,216
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,851	555	-	- 1,296	3,648
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,453	5,411	-	7,864	4,216
Cash funds this year end	602	5,966	-	6,568	7,864

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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	Bank Account	602	5,966	-
				-
	Total cash funds	602	5,966	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	750	30 January 2026
			-	
Notes to the accounts				
<p>(i) Under a signed agreement, 90% of tithing received by the charity is payable to a related organisation, Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA. During the year £8300 was paid to Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas (2024: £9000). A balance of £4553 (2024: £2720) remained payable at the year end.</p>				
<p>(ii) The Spiritual Head of both the charity and the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas, Shaykha Muzzeyen Ansari, delivered Sufi training programs and consultancy during the year and was paid £2144 (2024: £925).</p>				
<p>(iii) Trustees, Amina Jappie and Sayyed Goolamhossen, were paid £793 and £342 respectively, for reimbursement of expenses paid on behalf of the charity.</p>				
<p>(iv) There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.</p>				
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Fadila Laloui		29/01/2026

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We observed a hesitance to interfaith engagement between Muslim and Jewish organisation since the ongoing conflict in Middle East. This has had a significant impact on joint working and dialogues. However, AQRT UK has continued holding its weekly onsite congregational zikrs (Sufi meditation) and also providing a Zoom access. This enabled us to continue providing spiritual meditation, support and Sufi teachings and also offered support with mental wellbeing and social isolation and loneliness.

Overall, we provided services to more than 1,000 individuals through the following activities:

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The format of the weekly zikr remained the same and was open to everyone who came in peace. A short talk on aspect of Sufism is given prior to each zikr. The topics covered a range of Sufi teachings i.e. love, forgiveness, tolerance, etc.. The onsite and online Tuesday zikr is advertised on Meetup and Eventbrite. We had attendees from different faiths and no faith and also from abroad. Those present are welcome to participate or simply observe. After the meditation we pray for Love, Peace, Togetherness, Unity and Prosperity for all humanity. From April 2023 to March 2024, the total number of attendees to our onsite and online was about 950(440 men and 510 women).

Interfaith and Intra-faith work

Unfortunately, during 2023/2024 Racism, religious intolerance has continued to negatively affect UK communities. Statistics from the Home Office 2024 highlight the continued importance of Interfaith an intra Faith dialogue and joint working.

In the year ending March 2024, there were 140,561 hate crimes recorded by the police in England and Wales, this represented a decrease of 5% from the year ending March 2023 (147,645 offences), whilst welcomed this is still a concerning level.

There were 98,799 race hate crimes, and as in previous years, the majority of hate crimes were racially motivated, accounting for 7 in 10 of all such offences.

Religious hate crimes increased by 25%, from 8,370 to 10,484 offences and was driven by a rise in offences against Jewish people and to a lesser extent Muslims and has occurred since the beginning of the Israel-Hamas conflict.

AQRT has continued to promote community cohesion and harmony through our activities which included challenging the dissemination of a negative and incorrect view of Islam, cultural and traditional practices and anti-Semitism.

However, conflict in the Middle East has impacted on AQRT Interfaith and Intra-faith work particularly with Jewish communities. We had been working to mitigate the impact COVID had on engagement with

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Faith and Community Groups by rebuilding existing networks and also in trying to develop new contacts. This has been challenging as initially some groups and contacts were hesitant in meaningful engagement. The lead Trustee for Interfaith work has maintained involvement with NHS and Local Authority groups such as Integrate Lambeth and Interfaith Networks such as the South London Interfaith Group and Faiths Together in Lambeth.

AQRT UK took part in joint discussion groups and activities aimed to combat and change these belief systems, help differentiate cultural practices from religious practices and promote Islam and Sufi teachings which promote Love, Peace and Togetherness. In this spirit of inclusiveness, we have tried to ensure we support religious harmony and mutual understanding and provide factual information to all interested people. We have continued to collaborate with other community and faith groups with whom we share common principles and aims, by trying to continue to maintain networks and links, and develop and share knowledge and respect for the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

A few examples are highlighted below:

- We continued our active membership of the South London Interfaith Group (SLIFG) which aims to promote harmony and joint working. Our representative on the group continues to serve on the steering committee. We have close collaboration and active involvement with the group and its activities. This included monthly interfaith dialogue meetings where we discussed important topical issues, aspects of our beliefs and behaviours from a multi-faith or intra-faith perspective.
- AQRT was involved in the planning and delivery of SLIFG organized Faith Community events such as workshops, discussion groups, prayer circles, Eid and Ramadan, Iftar, a Harvest Festival which showcased how the Harvest is celebrated in different Faith traditions and a South London Interfaith Walk which visited a number of different Faith settings across South London.
- In particular we supported a range of events linked to Interfaith Week 2024 which aimed to increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities locally, celebrate the contribution which their members make to society; and increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs
- AQRT UK worked with Soul Connections where we disseminated information and took part in activities ringing people from different Faith backgrounds together to form friendships, organized group visits to places of interest and social activities such as community picnics.
- AQRT UK was invited again to join in the annual “Light up a Life” event at St John’s Hospice in London in December 2023. The event started with a multi-faith service at St John’s Wood church, where AQRT UK performed a short zikr during the remembrance service and prayed for the deceased and the bereaved family members. We participated in a candle-lit procession to the St John’s Hospice, where engaged in networking and discussion with other faith members and we forged new ties with other faith organisations.

We have tried to maintain links with the West London Synagogue (WLS), however this has been largely on an informal basis and we hope to increase our input

AQRT UK continued to take part in local consultations in respect of Health and Social Care services mainly via Lambeth Integrate and Health watch with the aim of developing effective engagement methods with Faith and Community Groups to address, misinformation and barriers to accessing services. We took part in a number of events to support this work.

AQRT UK is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO) and during the year we have used their information and training services.

Promotion of Islam and Sufism

The promotion of Sufism and Islam took place online and onsite during the weekly congregational zikrs. This was delivered through talks followed by questions and answers before or after each zikr where principles, methodology, practices, stories and culture of Sufism are discussed and taught. Spiritual teaching by the AQRT UK chaplains was also provided on a one-to-one basis, as well as in depth phone calls to discuss Sufism. Further opportunities for contact, as well as email discussions come via social media. We also use our Inter Faith work as an opportunity to promote Islam and Sufism.

The spiritual head of our Sufi order Shaykh Taner Ansari and Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari were invited by AQRT UK to provide teaching in London in April and in November 2023. Shaykh Taner Ansari and Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari led the Tuesday congregational zikrs In April 2023 during their stay in London which were attended by an average of 55 people from different faiths. Our spiritual leaders also provided teaching to AQRT UK members as well as one to one consultations. Following the passing away of the spiritual head of our Sufi order Shaykh Taner in August 2023, the new spiritual head of our Sufi order is Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari, who continued the teaching programme scheduled in November 2023.

Every year AQRT UK usually organises a Sufi study trip under the leadership of the spiritual head of our Sufi order; In February 2024, AQRT UK organised a self-funded Umrah trip (a voluntary Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca) in Saudi Arabia with 12 students; in addition, other religious and historical places were visited as part of this trip.

In addition, we have continued supporting isolated and ill students and members by regular phone contacts.

Support and Mentoring

AQRT UK spiritual leaders continue to support students and members of the public by being regularly available via phone calls, emails and individual meetings.

Practical Help and Support

The lack of funding has adversely impacted our ability to develop projects. However, one of our volunteers has assisted a number like-minded voluntary organisations which are working in this area, by taking women experiencing domestic violence on social outings such as visits to Kew Gardens, the British Museum etc. and by helping with food distribution and befriending schemes.

Work to relieve poverty

Being a very small charity, this aspect of our charitable objectives post COVID-19 pandemic is still being impacted due to the loss of donation and also the availability of our volunteers. We are committed to developing this work stream and hope to increase our ability to fundraise and apply successfully for funding.

We have developed an emergency programme through which families and individuals experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness and who need emergency support are provided with food and essential goods upon assessment. In 2024, AQRT UK made food donations to a food bank in Brixton.

Our membership and trustees have diverse cultural backgrounds and include social workers, medical professionals, and Safeguarding consultants. We also have links to the Sufi and wider Muslim community. Consequently, we are able to respond quickly by providing support to address and meet urgent needs. We have experience of working in partnership including local Social Services and other voluntary sector organisations. We are currently restrained by limited funding and availability of volunteers.

Funding bids

During the year 2023-2024, AQRT UK made 2 funding bids to small charitable trusts related to projects aimed at empowering and supporting women from disadvantaged communities around overcoming barriers to accessing services around domestic violence.

Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in obtaining funding. As a small charity this means we are facing restrictions in our ability to develop and sustain our charitable work.

Future aims and objectives

Our charity objectives will continue to shape the trustees' future plans with a target to expand our activities especially on work to relief poverty. Being a very small charity with limited funding solely based on individual donations at this stage, we intend where possible to focus on partnership bids which will maximise resources by preventing duplication. However, the impact of the post COVID- 19 pandemic still presents major challenges both operationally and financially, as well as increasing the need for services as more people face poverty and isolation.

Financial review

AQRT UK had total receipts of £16,864 as shown on the Receipts and Payments Accounts. For the year ended 31 March 2024, there were net receipts of £3,648(2023: net payments £1,803). All AQRT UK assets are held for the furtherance of its objectives and are adequate and sufficient to meet its objectives. AQRT UK did apply for grants during the year ended 31 March 2024 but was unsuccessful. AQRT UK does not employ any staff and trustees do not receive any remuneration. Trustees and volunteers can receive reasonable travel allowance subsistence cost.

Reserves policy

The trustees review the reserve policy of the organisation annually. Their decision on the level of the reserve depends on the level of the unrestricted funds available. For this year, they decided that the current level of reserve should be maintained at least at a level equivalent to approximately three months' expenditure (excluding the collection and distribution of Zakat, Fidyah, ninety percent of tithing and our community activities and programme). The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of any significant drop in the organisation's funding, they will be able to continue AQRT UK's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This leaves free reserve at 31 March 2024 of £1,685 which is equal to around 7 months average expenditure during the year ended 31 March 2024.

Principal funding sources

The current Charity's main source of income is through individual donations, donations at zikr, zakat, fidya and ten percent on each tithing collected by members. The total amount donated at Zikr was £1,715.

Restriction on funds

Restricted income includes ninety percent tithing payable to the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA, linked to the teaching, training, spiritual development and individual support provided to the Charity's members. Restricted income includes zakat and fidya and these funds are to be used solely for the relief of need, financial hardship and for AQRT UK activities.

Investment Policy

There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest but as we do not have available funds to make investments this is not an immediate issue for us.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Receipts and Payments Accounts ("financial statements") in accordance with applicable law and receipts and payments accounting. Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the receipts and payments of the charity for that period.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that 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

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safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' annual report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 22/01/2025 and signed on its behalf of:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amina Jappie', enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Amina Jappie
Chair of the Ansari Qadiri Sufi Order of the UK



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order Of The United Kingdom

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1172565

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

22/01/2025

Name:

Irfan Hussain BFP FCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**


Fellow of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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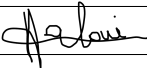
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	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM		1172565	CC16a
		Receipts and payments accounts			
	For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-23	To	Period end date 31-Mar-24	
Section A Receipts and 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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	3,795	-	-	3,795	6,025
Tithing	1,244	11,195	-	12,439	11,675
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	630	-	630	1,112
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	5,039	11,825	-	16,864	18,812
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,039	11,825	-	16,864	18,812
A3 Payments					
Premises rent	2,268	-	-	2,268	1,674
Teaching program	925	-	-	925	3,446
Bank charges	217	-	-	217	279
General expenses	806	-	-	806	825
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	-	-	-	1,991
Tithing paid	-	9,000	-	9,000	12,400
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,216	9,000	-	13,216	20,615
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,216	9,000	-	13,216	20,615
Net of receipts/(payments)	823	2,825	-	3,648	- 1,803
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,630	2,586	-	4,216	6,019
Cash funds this year end	2,453	5,411	-	7,864	4,216

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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	Bank Account	2,453	5,411	-
				-
	Total cash funds	2,453	5,411	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	700	30 January 2025
			-	
Notes to the accounts				
<p>(i) Under a signed agreement, 90% of tithing received by the charity is payable to a related organisation, Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA. During the year £9000 was paid to Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas (2023: £12400). A balance of £2720 (2023: £525) remained payable at the year end.</p>				
<p>(ii) The Spiritual Head of both the charity and the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas, Shaykha Muzzeyen Ansari, delivered Sufi training programs and consultancy during the year and was paid £925 (2023: £4938).</p>				
<p>(iii) A Trustee, Sayyed Goolamhossen, was paid £206 for reimbursement of expenses paid on behalf of the charity.</p>				
<p>(iv) There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.</p>				
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Fadila Laloui		22-Jan-25

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Reference and Administrative information

Registered charity name: Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the United Kingdom

Charity registration number: 1172565

Principal Office: 6 Sanderstead Close London
SW12 0AQ
England

Board of Trustees: Amina Jappie (Chair)
Sukainah Jauhar (Secretary)
Fadila Laloui (Treasurer)
Faghrie Jappie (Deputy Treasurer)
Rita Ali

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Background

The Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the UK commonly referred as AQRT UK has been operating as an informal group since 2002 and was registered by the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in April 2017 (registration number 1172565).

The trustees present their annual report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The legal status of the charity is that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which is subject to its governing document, the Constitution that took effect on the 12 April 2017.

Trustees

Management of the charity is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. The trustees come from diverse backgrounds, skills, expertise and experiences. The trustees board meet on a regular basis and between meetings communicate by emails.

Trustees are aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the aims and objectives of the charity, its governing frameworks, decision-making processes; strategic plans and financial performance etc.

In February 2023, there was a change in AQRT UK Board trustees, Reeyaz Goolamhossen stood down as a Board trustee. He was not replaced at this stage as AQRT UK Board trustees number remains above the minimum number requirement (three) as per AQRT UK Constitution.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees will be elected and co-opted by members at the annual general meeting in accordance with the Constitution. No new trustees were recruited during this period.

Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees will undergo orientation and will receive a trustee information pack and the opportunity to attend in-house and/or external training relevant to their roles.

Partnerships

During 2022/2023 AQRT UK continued to work with a range of partners including other faith groups, community groups and voluntary organisations. This included the West London Synagogue, the South London Interfaith Group (SLIG) and the Africa Advocacy Foundation (AAF). AQRT UK is also a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO).

AQRT UK has also a Memorandum of Understanding in place with the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas a registered church in the United States.

Organisational structure and decision-making

The trustees are responsible for setting strategies and policies and ensuring that they are implemented.

Volunteers

AQRT UK recognises that volunteers play a key and integral part in service delivery. We have recruited 10 volunteers from within our membership including trustees. They have a diverse range of experience, skills and backgrounds in terms of professional backgrounds, culture and language. All our trustees are DBS checked and our other volunteers are currently always supervised by trustees and will be DBS checked when appropriate.

We aim to support our volunteers in their roles and receive regular feedback about their performance.

Risk Management

The main risk facing the charity is currently maintaining income at a sufficient level to carry out all the activities and services. In addition to the current policies in place, the trustees have reviewed and assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances. The charity has set up a risk management strategy, which comprises:

An annual review of the risks the charity may face.

The establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the review; and the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

In the meanwhile, the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charities exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

The trustees are required to comply with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 and consider the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, "Charities and Public Benefits".

Our Charitable Objectives are:

1. To advance the religion of Islam, in particular Sufi practices and teachings, for public benefit, by organising regular prayer meetings, lectures, celebration of religious festivals and literature on Sufism to educate others about Islam and Sufism.
2. The promotion of religious harmony for the benefit of the public by promoting knowledge and mutual understanding and respect of the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths through the organisation, participation and support of interfaith events and partnership activities within the United Kingdom.
3. The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or another disadvantage.

Our activities are consistent with national and local strategies and action plans to enhance religious harmony and relieve poverty. Our activities aim to promote equality and diversity, wellbeing and social outcomes and the independence of service users. We are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults from harm and isolation. We work to empower and encourage our service users to actively participate in activities and processes that improve their circumstances and positively contribute to their communities.

Achievements and performance

The post COVID-19 pandemic effects have continued to have a significant impact on many charities and AQRT UK is still facing major challenges and restrictions in continuing to deliver our charitable objectives. Although, AQRT UK reverted to holding its weekly onsite congregational zikrs (Sufi meditation) from October 2021, we were still providing a Zoom access. This enabled us to continue providing spiritual meditation, support and Sufi teachings and also offered support with mental wellbeing and social isolation and loneliness.

Overall, we provided services to more than 1,000 individuals through the following activities:

Congregational Zikr

AQRT UK board of Trustees decided to return to onsite weekly zikrs held at the Unitarian Essex Church on 4 October 2021. The format of the weekly zikr remained the same and was open to everyone who came in peace. A short talk on Sufism was given prior to each zikr. The topics covered a range of Sufi teachings. The onsite and online Tuesday zikr was advertised on Meetup and Eventbrite. We regularly had attendees from different faiths and no faith and also from abroad. Those present are welcome to participate or simply observe. After the meditation we pray for Love, Peace, Togetherness, Unity and Prosperity for all humanity. The additional weekly congregational zikr held online from Basildon (Essex) every Sunday continued. This zikr is advertised to all the murids only. From April 2021 to March 2023, the total number of attendees to our onsite and online was about 922 (435 men and 487 women).

Interfaith and Intra-faith work

Although the COVID restrictions in the UK ended in February 2022, there was still a continuing impact on AQRT UK's Interfaith and Intra-faith work particularly in the remainder of 2022. We continued to face restrictions in engaging in as many of our activities which involved face to face, group and Community based initiatives. However, we continued to mitigate the challenges by making use of Zoom and other online methods to continue to engage with Faith and Community Groups as well as focusing on rebuilding existing networks and to develop new contacts. The lead Trustee maintained involvement with NHS and Local Authority groups and Interfaith Networks such as the South London Interfaith Group.

Unfortunately, during 2022-2023, racism, religious intolerance has continued to negatively affect communities and recorded religious hate crime rose by 9 per cent in across the UK (Home Office 2023), with Muslim and Jewish communities experiencing 56 per cent of the offences. AQRT has continued to promote community cohesion and harmony thorough our activities which included challenging the dissemination of a negative and incorrect view of Islam, cultural and traditional practices and anti-Semitism. AQRT UK took part in joint discussion groups and activities aimed to combat and change these belief systems, help differentiate cultural practices from religious practices and promote Islam and Sufi teachings which promote Love, Peace and Togetherness. In this spirit of inclusiveness, we have tried to ensure we support religious harmony and mutual understanding and provide factual information to all interested people. We have continued to collaborate with other community and faith groups with whom we share common principles and aims, by trying to continue to maintain networks and links, and develop and share knowledge and respect for the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

A few examples are highlighted below:

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which aims to promote harmony and joint working. In 2022 our representative on the group was elected to the steering committee which has led to closer collaboration and active involvement with the group and its activities. This included monthly interfaith dialogue meetings where we discussed important topical issues, aspects of our beliefs and behaviours from a multi-faith or intra-faith perspective.

AQRT was involved in the planning and delivery of SLIFG organized Faith Community events such as workshops, discussion groups, prayer circles, Eid and Ramadan, Iftar and other festivals. In particular we supported a range of events during Inter Faith Week 2022 which aimed to increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities locally, celebrate the contribution which their members make to society; and increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs.

- We have continued to maintain links with the West London Synagogue (WLS), however this has been largely on an informal basis and we look forward to expanding our input particularly with the Women's Group as conditions return to normality.
- AQRT UK continued to take part in the NHS London Clinical Commission Group (CCG) forum which looked at effective engagement methods with Faith and Community Groups to address, mis-information and barriers to accessing services. We took part in a number of targeted events to support this work. We were also involved in London Assembly briefings and with MOPAC (Mayor Office for Policing and Crime) initiatives such as Stand Up-reclaiming or identity as Muslim women.
- AQRT UK is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO) and during the year we have used their information and training services.

A few examples of Interfaith activities we were involved in, are highlighted below:

- AQRT UK was part of the Interfaith team at the Lambeth County Show and helped staff the Interfaith tent providing information and talking to the public.
- AQRT UK attended the Srebrenica Genocide Memorial event at the London Muslim Centre and a Jewish-Muslim workshop at the Muslim College.
- AQRT UK worked with Soul Connections where we disseminated information and took part in activities bringing people from different Faith backgrounds together to form friendships, organized group visits to places of interest and social activities such as community picnics.
- At a number of AQRT UK weekly congregational Zikr talks we explained and discussed a range of Sufi and Islamic beliefs aimed at dispelling misunderstanding to non-Muslim attendees.
- AQRT UK was invited again to join in the annual "Light up a Life" event at St John's Hospice in London. The event started with a multi-faith service at St John's Wood church, where AQRT UK performed a short zikr during the remembrance service and prayed for the deceased and the bereaved family members. We participated in a candle-lit procession to the St John's Hospice, where engaged in networking and discussion with other faith members and we forged new ties with other faith organisations.

Promotion of Islam and Sufism

The promotion of Sufism and Islam took place online and onsite the weekly congregational zikrs. This was delivered through talks followed by questions and answers before or after each zikr where principles, methodology, practices, stories and culture of Sufism are discussed and taught. Spiritual

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Every year AQRT UK usually organises a Sufi study trip under the leadership of the spiritual head of our Sufi order and his wife; unfortunately, this was not possible in 2022.

In addition, we have continued supporting isolated and ill students and members by regular phone contacts.

Support and Mentoring

Practical Help and Support

3 members gave intensive support for over 6 months to an elderly woman who was a regular participant of our weekly zikr for more than 12 years. She had a terminal illness, was living on her own with poor housing conditions and no family in the UK. She was very reluctant to seek support from statutory agencies and exhibited challenging behaviour due to her illness. Initially, our input consisted of frequent visits to her house, helping with practical issues such as shopping and meals etc. In addition, we provided information and encouragement for her to access support services, friendship and offered non-sectarian spiritual support (she was from a Greek Christian Orthodox background). As her illness progressed, we continued to visit her in hospital and nursing homes and on her death helped to organize her funeral.

Work to relieve poverty

Being a very small charity, this aspect of our charitable objectives post COVID-19 pandemic is still being impacted due to the loss of donation and also the availability of our volunteers. This is still an area which we aim to expand despite the COVID-19 pandemic that has negatively impacted our ability to fundraise and apply for funding. We have developed an emergency programme through which families and individuals experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness and who need emergency support are provided with food and essential goods upon assessment. In 2022, AQRT UK made food donations to a food bank in Brixton and also, we collected and donated clothing to refugee groups including Ukrainian refugees.

We are committed to develop this work stream and we are attempting to attract funding and form partnerships with like-minded voluntary organisations who are already working in this field. This will include recruiting, training and placing our trained volunteers to support activities such as soup kitchens, foodbanks, drop-in centres, night shelters etc...

Our membership and trustees have diverse cultural backgrounds and include social workers, medical professionals, and Safeguarding consultants. We also have links to the Sufi and wider Muslim community. Consequently, we are able to respond quickly by providing support to address and meet urgent needs. We have experience of working in partnership including local Social

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Services and other voluntary sector organisations. We are currently restrained by limited funding and availability of volunteers.

Funding bids

During the year 2022-2023, AQRT UK made 5 funding bids including GLA and National Lottery as well as small charitable trusts related to projects aimed at empowering women from disadvantaged communities around overcoming barriers to accessing health services and reporting domestic violence and more generally workshops promoting better understanding between Faith communities.

Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in obtaining funding. As a small charity this means we are facing restrictions in our ability to develop and sustain our charitable work.

Future aims and objectives

Our charity objectives will continue to shape the trustees' future plans with a target to expand our activities especially on work to relief poverty. Being a very small charity with limited funding solely based on individual donations at this stage, we intend where possible to focus on partnership bids which will maximise resources by preventing duplication. However, the impact of the post COVID- 19 pandemic still presents major challenges both operationally and financially, as well as increasing the need for services as more people face poverty and isolation.

Financial review

AQRT UK had total receipts of £18,813 as shown on the Receipts and Payments Accounts. For the year ended 31 March 2023, there were net payments of £1,804 (2022: net receipts £998).

All AQRT UK assets are held for the furtherance of its objectives and are adequate and sufficient to meet its objectives. AQRT UK did apply for grants during the year ended 31 March 2023 but was unsuccessful. AQRT UK does not employ any staff and trustees do not receive any remuneration. Trustees and volunteers can receive reasonable travel allowance subsistence cost.

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The trustees review the reserve policy of the organisation annually. Their decision on the level of the reserve depends on the level of the unrestricted funds available. For this year, they decided that the current level of reserve should be maintained at least at a level equivalent to approximately three months' expenditure (excluding the collection and distribution of Zakat, Fidyah, ninety percent of tithing and our community activities and programme). The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of any significant drop in the organisation's funding, they will be able to continue AQRT UK's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This leaves free reserve at 31 March 2023 of £1,353 which is equal to around 15 months average expenditure during the year ended 31 March 2023.

Principal funding sources

The current Charity's main source of income is through individual donations, donations at zikr, zakat, fidya and ten percent on each tithing collected by members.

The total amount donated at Zikr was £1,975.

Restriction on funds

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Restricted income includes ninety percent tithing payable to the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA, linked to the teaching, training, spiritual development and individual support provided to the Charity's members.

Restricted income includes zakat and fidya and these funds are to be used solely for the relief of need, financial hardship and for AQRT UK activities.

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There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest but as we do not have available funds to make investments this is not an immediate issue for us.

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Receipts and Payments Accounts ("financial statements") in accordance with applicable law and receipts and payments accounting.

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The trustees' annual report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 25 January 2024 and signed on its behalf of:



Amina Jappie

Chair of the Ansari Qadiri Sufi Order of the UK

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**Independent examiner's
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Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order Of The United Kingdom

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1172565

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

Name:

Irfan Hussain BFP FCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01-Apr-22		31-Mar-23

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	6,025	-	-	6,025	1,861
Tithing	1,168	10,508	-	11,675	10,619
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	1,112	-	1,112	20
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,193	11,620	-	18,813	12,500
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,193	11,620	-	18,813	12,500
A3 Payments					
Premises rent	1,674	-	-	1,674	360
Teaching program	3,446	-	-	3,446	2,458
Bank charges	279	-	-	279	172
General expenses	826	-	-	826	712
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	1,992	-	1,992	-
Tithing paid	-	12,400	-	12,400	7,800
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,225	14,392	-	20,616	11,502
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,225	14,392	-	20,616	11,502
Net of receipts/(payments)	968	- 2,772	-	- 1,804	998
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	662	5,357	-	6,019	5,021
Cash funds this year end	1,630	2,586	-	4,216	6,019

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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	Bank Account	1,630	2,586	-
				-
	Total cash funds	1,630	2,586	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	600	02 January 2024
			-	

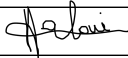
Notes to the accounts

(i) Under a signed agreement, 90% of tithing received by the charity is payable to a related organisation, Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA. During the year £12400 was paid to Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas (2022: £7800). A balance of £525 (2022: £2417) remained payable at the year end.

(ii) The Spiritual Head of both the charity and the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas, Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzzeyen Ansari, delivered Sufi training programs and consultancy during the year and were paid £4938 (2022: £1838).

(iii) A Trustee, Sayyed Goolamhossen, was paid £226 for reimbursement of expenses paid on behalf of the charity.

(iv) There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Fadila Laloui	28 January 2024

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**Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
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Trustees' Annual Report

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Reference and Administrative information

Registered charity name: Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the United Kingdom

Charity registration number: 1172565

Principal Office: 6 Sanderstead Close
London
SW12 0AQ
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Board of Trustees: Amina Jappie (Chair)
Sukainah Jauhar (Secretary)
Fadila Laloui (Treasurer)
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Background

The Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the UK commonly referred as AQRT UK has been operating as an informal group since 2002 and was registered by the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in April 2017 (registration number 1172565).

The trustees present their annual report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The legal status of the charity is that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which is subject to its governing document, the Constitution that took effect on the 12 April 2017.

Trustees

Management of the charity is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. The trustees come from diverse backgrounds, skills, expertise and experiences. The trustees board meet on a regular basis and between meetings communicate by emails.

Trustees are aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the aims and objectives of the charity, its governing frameworks, decision-making processes; strategic plans and financial performance etc.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees will be elected and co-opted by members at the annual general meeting in accordance with the Constitution. No new trustees were recruited during this period.

Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees will undergo orientation and will receive a trustee information pack and the opportunity to attend in-house and/or external training relevant to their roles.

Partnerships

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, in 2021/2022 AQRT UK continued to work with a range of partners including other faith groups, community groups and voluntary organisations. This included the West London Synagogue, the South London Interfaith Group (SLIG) and the Africa Advocacy Foundation (AAF). AQRT UK is also a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO).

AQRT UK has also a Memorandum of Understanding in place with the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas a registered church in the United States.

Organisational structure and decision-making

The trustees are responsible for setting strategies and policies and ensuring that they are implemented.

Volunteers

AQRT UK recognises that volunteers play a key and integral part in service delivery. We have recruited 10 volunteers from within our membership including trustees. They have a diverse range of experience, skills and backgrounds in terms of culture and language. All our trustees are DBS checked and our other volunteers are currently always supervised by trustees and will be DBS checked when appropriate.

We aim to support our volunteers in their roles and receive regular feedback about their performance.

Risk Management

The main risk facing the charity is currently maintaining income at a sufficient level to carry out all the activities and services. In addition to the current policies in place, the trustees have reviewed and assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances. The charity has set up a risk management strategy, which comprises:

An annual review of the risks the charity may face.

The establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the review; and the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

In the meanwhile, the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charities exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

The trustees are required to comply with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 and consider the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, "Charities and Public Benefits".

Our Charitable Objectives are:

1. To advance the religion of Islam, in particular Sufi practices and teachings, for public benefit, by organising regular prayer meetings, lectures, celebration of religious festivals and literature on Sufism to educate others about Islam and Sufism.
2. The promotion of religious harmony for the benefit of the public by promoting knowledge and mutual understanding and respect of the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths through the organisation, participation and support of interfaith events and partnership activities within the United Kingdom.
3. The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or another disadvantage.

Our activities are consistent with national and local strategies and action plans to enhance religious harmony and relieve poverty. Our activities aim to promote equality and diversity, wellbeing and social outcomes and the independence of service users. We are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults from harm and isolation. We work to empower and encourage our service users to actively participate in activities and processes that improve their circumstances and positively contribute to their communities.

Achievements and performance

The COVID-19 pandemic has continued to have a significant impact on many charities and AQRT UK is still facing major challenges and restrictions in continuing to deliver our charitable objectives. AQRT UK reverted to holding its weekly onsite congregational zikrs (Sufi meditation) from October 2021 while still providing a Zoom access. This enabled us to continue providing spiritual meditation, support and Sufi teachings. And also offered support with mental wellbeing and social isolation and loneliness.

Overall, we provided services to more than 1,000 individuals through the following activities:

Congregational Zikr

AQRT UK board of Trustees decided to return to onsite weekly zikrs held at the Unitarian Essex Church on 4 October 2021. The format of the weekly zikr remained the same and was open to everyone who came in peace. A short talk on Sufism was given prior to each zikr. The topics covered a range of Sufi teachings. The onsite and online Tuesday zikr was advertised on Meetup and Eventbrite. We regularly had attendees from different faiths and no faith and also from abroad. Those present are welcome to participate or simply observe. After the meditation we pray for Love, Peace, Togetherness, Unity and Prosperity for all humanity. The additional weekly congregational zikr held online from Basildon (Essex) every Sunday continued. This zikr is advertised to all the murids only. From April 2021 to March 2022, we held a total of 83 zikrs onsite and online. The total number of attendees for these zikrs was 963 (449 men and 514 women).

Interfaith and Intra-faith work

During the year 2021/2022 the COVID pandemic continued to have a major impact on AQRT UK's Interfaith and Intra-faith work. We were severely restricted in engaging in as many of our usual activities which entail face to face, group and community-based initiatives which were not possible due to the COVID related restrictions. However, we continued to mitigate the challenges by making use of Zoom and other online methods to continue to engage with faith and community groups. The lead trustee was also involved with NHS and Local Authority groups which aimed at improving information about COVID with community and faith groups knowledge, in particular addressing myths sometimes held in relation to COVID and vaccination.

Racism, religious intolerance has continued to negatively affect communities and included the dissemination of a negative and incorrect view of Islam, cultural and traditional practices and anti-Semitism. AQRT UK took part in joint discussion groups and activities aimed to combat/challenge these belief systems, help differentiate cultural practices from religious practices and promote Islam and Sufi teachings about Love, Peace and Togetherness. In this spirit of inclusiveness, we have tried to ensure we support religious harmony and mutual understanding and provide factual information to all interested people.

We have continued to collaborate with other community and faith groups with whom we share common principles and aims, by trying to continue to maintain networks and links, and develop and share knowledge and respect for the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

Although, many of the existing networks were not meeting in person we were able mainly through telephone, emails and other means to become involved and participate in interfaith events and partnership activities through Zoom. A few examples are highlighted below:

- We have continued our active membership of the South London Interfaith Group (SLIFG) which aims to promote harmony and joint working, this was done mainly through Zoom meetings where we discussed important topical issues from a multi-faith or intra-faith perspective, and also virtual faith community events such as prayer circles, Iftar and festivals took place.
- We have continued to maintain links with the West London Synagogue (WLS), however this has been largely on an informal basis and we look forward to expanding our input particularly with the Women's Group as conditions return to normality.
- AQRT UK continued to take part in the NHS London Clinical Commission Group (CCG) Engagement Forum on COVID. This group looked at effective engagement methods with faith and community groups in order to brief on the local COVID situation, and tackle mis-information and barriers to accessing services. We took part in a number of targeted events to support this work. We were also involved in London Assembly briefings and initiatives.
- AQRT UK is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO) and during the year we have used their information and training services.

A few examples of Interfaith activities we were involved, are highlighted below:

- An intra-faith panel discussion at the Menon Centre on Healing Mind Body and Soul which covered health issues primarily in Muslim community
- A walk in Lambeth visiting historical Islamic sites
- Participation in a seminar held by the West London Synagogue (WLS) joint Muslim Jewish project which supports vulnerable communities; this included Nisa Nashim women's network and Feeding Folk projects of WLS
- Involvements in the Mayor Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), this included:
 - The People's Question time which is an opportunity to put questions to the Mayor of London and London Assembly members including questions on policing, safety, housing, economic situation etc.
 - We joined the panel "Building a stronger community" which focused on the East African community in London
 - We attended the Holocaust Memorial Day remembrance ceremony for those affected by genocide
 - We also joined a panel discussion on building initiatives to promote social mixing for local groups in London

Promotion of Islam and Sufism

The promotion of Sufism and Islam took place online and onsite the weekly congregational zikrs. This was delivered through talks followed by questions and answers before or after each zikr where principles, methodology, practices, stories and culture of Sufism are discussed and taught. Spiritual teaching by the AQRT UK chaplains was also provided online after the Monday congregational zikr on a one-to-one basis, as well as in depth phone calls to discuss Sufism. Further opportunities for contact, as well as email discussions come via social media. We also use our Inter Faith work as an opportunity to promote Islam and Sufism.

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Every year AQRT UK organises a Sufi study trip under the lead of the spiritual head of our Sufi order Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari. In September 2021, a Sufi trip in Andalusia was organized from 22 September 2021 to 26 September 2021. The program is an international Sufi gathering of the Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi orders from USA, UK, Germany, South Africa, Mauritius, Canada and anyone interested in learning Sufism. Due to COVID-19, the attendance was restricted to a smaller number than usual. The program included the visits of religious sites across Andalusia, the Sufi teaching of the spiritual head of our order Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari and also the networking with other Sufi groups of the Ansari Qadiri Rifai Tariqa as well as anyone who comes in peace and who wish to explore the sights visits and the teaching program along the way. The theme of the 2021 Andalusia Sufi study trip was "Following the Footsteps of Ibn Arabi" and was successfully attended by 13 persons who visited Granada, Cordoba and Seville.

In addition, we have continued supporting isolated and ill students and members by regular phone contacts.

Work to relieve poverty

Being a very small charity, this aspect of our charitable objectives during the COVID-19 pandemic was dramatically impacted due to the loss of donation and also the availability of our volunteers. This is still an area which we aim to expand despite the COVID-19 pandemic that has negatively impacted our ability to fundraise and apply for funding. We have developed an emergency programme through which families and individuals experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness and who need emergency support are provided with food and essential goods upon assessment. We collected and donated clothing to refugee groups in 2021.

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Financial review

AQRT UK had total receipts of £12,500 as shown on the Receipts and Payments Accounts. For the year ended 31 March 2022, there were net receipts of £998 (2021: net payments £495). All AQRT UK assets are held for the furtherance of its objectives and are adequate and sufficient to meet its objectives. AQRT UK did apply for grants during the year ended 31 March 2022 but was unsuccessful. AQRT UK does not employ any staff and trustees do not receive any remuneration. Trustees and volunteers can receive reasonable travel allowance subsistence cost.

Reserves policy

The trustees review the reserve policy of the organisation annually. Their decision on the level of the reserve depends on the level of the unrestricted funds available. For this year, they decided that the current level of reserve should be maintained at least at a level equivalent to approximately three months' expenditure (excluding the collection and distribution of Zakat, Fidyah, ninety percent of tithing and our community activities and programme). The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of any significant drop in the organisation's funding, they will be able to continue AQRT UK's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This leaves free reserve at 31 March 2022 of £662 which is equal to around 5 months average expenditure during the year ended 31 March 2022.

Principal funding sources

The current Charity's main source of income is through individual donations, donations at zikr, zakat, fidya and ten percent on each tithing collected by members. The total amount donated at Zikr was £nil.

Restriction on funds

Restricted income includes ninety percent tithing payable to the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA, linked to the teaching, training, spiritual development and individual support provided to the Charity's members.

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The trustees' annual report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 30 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Amina Jappie

Chair of the Ansari Qadiri Sufi Order of the UK

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
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Charity Name

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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**Independent
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Signed:

Date: 30/1/2023

Name:

Irfan Hussain BFP FCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales


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ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2022

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE		1172565		CC16a
	UNITED KINGDOM				
	Receipts and payments accounts				
	For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-21	To	Period end date 31-Mar-22	

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					
Donations	1,861	-	-	1,861	492
Tithing	1,062	9,557	-	10,619	9,590
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	20	-	20	580
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,923	9,577	-	12,500	10,662
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,923	9,577	-	12,500	10,662
A3 Payments					
Premises rent	360	-	-	360	600
Teaching program	2,458	-	-	2,458	-
Bank charges	172	-	-	172	151
General expenses	712	-	-	712	806
Zakaat and Fidyah	-	-	-	-	-
Tithing paid	-	7,800	-	7,800	9,600
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,702	7,800	-	11,502	11,157
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,702	7,800	-	11,502	11,157
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 779	1,777	-	998	- 495
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,441	3,580	-	5,021	5,516
Cash funds this year end	662	5,357	-	6,019	5,021

ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

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Year ended 31 March 2022

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	Bank Account	662	5,357	-
				-
	Total cash funds	662	5,357	-
	Details			
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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 liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	600	31 January 2023
			-	
			-	

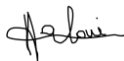

Notes to the accounts

(i) Under a signed agreement, 90% of tithing received by the charity is payable to a related organisation, Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA. During the year £7,800 was paid to Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas (2021: £9600). A balance of £2,417 (2021: £660) remained payable at the year end.

(ii) The Spiritual Head of both the charity and the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas, Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzzeyen Ansari, delivered Sufi training programs during the year and were paid £1,838 including Covid related testing costs (2021: nil).

(iii) Trustees, Aminah Jappie and Sayyed Goolamhossen, were paid £519 and £112 respectively for reimbursement of expenses paid on behalf of the charity. This includes an overpayment of £56 to Aminah Jappie which was repaid to the charity post year end.

(iv) There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Fadila Laloui	29/01/2023
		Aminah Jappie	29/01/2023

ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

England & Wales - Charity number 1172565

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1172565

**ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

**Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
31 March 2021**

ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

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ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

Trustees' Annual Report

31 March 2021

Reference and Administrative information

Registered charity name: Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the United Kingdom

Charity registration number: 1172565

Principal Office: 6 Sanderstead Close
London SW12 0AQ
England

Board of Trustees: Amina Jappie (Chair)
Sukainah Jauhar (Secretary)
Fadila Laloui (Treasurer)
Faghrie Jappie (Deputy Treasurer)
Rita Ali
Sayyed Goolamhossen

Independent Examiner: Irfan Hussain BFP FCA
ASL Partners
14 Honister Gardens
Stanmore HA7 2EH
England

Banking: HSBC UK
Retail Unit 8,
38 Canada Place
Canary Wharf
London E14 5AH

Background

The Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order of the UK commonly referred as AQRT UK has been operating as an informal group since 2002 and was registered by the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) in April 2017 (registration number 1172565).

The trustees present their annual report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The legal status of the charity is that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which is subject to its governing document, the Constitution that took effect on the 12 April 2017.

Trustees

Management of the charity is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. The trustees come from diverse backgrounds, skills, expertise and experiences. The trustees board meet on a regular basis and between meetings communicate by emails.

Trustees are aware of their legal obligations under charity law, the aims and objectives of the charity, its governing frameworks, decision-making processes; strategic plans and financial performance etc.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees will be elected and co-opted by members at the annual general meeting in accordance with the Constitution. No new trustees were recruited during this period.

Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees will undergo orientation and will receive a trustee information pack and the opportunity to attend in-house and/or external training relevant to their roles.

Partnerships

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, in 2020/2021 AQRT UK continued to work with a range of partners including other faith groups, community groups and voluntary organisations. This included the West London Synagogue, the South London Interfaith Group (SLIG) and the Africa Advocacy Foundation (AAF). AQRT UK is also a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO).

AQRT UK has also a Memorandum of Understanding in place with the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas a registered church in the United States.

Organisational structure and decision-making

The trustees are responsible for setting strategies and policies and ensuring that they are implemented.

Volunteers

AQRT UK recognises that volunteers play a key and integral part in service delivery. We have recruited 10 volunteers from within our membership including trustees. They have a diverse range of experience, skills and backgrounds in terms of culture and language. All our trustees are DBS checked and our other volunteers are currently always supervised by trustees and will be DBS checked when appropriate.

We aim to support our volunteers in their roles and receive regular feedback about their performance.

Risk Management

The main risk facing the charity is currently maintaining income at a sufficient level to carry out all the activities and services. In addition to the current policies in place, the trustees have reviewed and assessed the risks to which the charity may be exposed with particular reference to those relating to the operations and finances. The charity has set up a risk management strategy, which comprises:

An annual review of the risks the charity may face.

The establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the review; and the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

In the meanwhile, the trustees remain satisfied that all insurable risks have been identified and adequately dealt with and that the charities exposure to other risks is kept at a minimum by good working practice by the trustees and volunteers.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Public benefit

The trustees are required to comply with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 and consider the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, "Charities and Public Benefits".

Our Charitable Objectives are:

1. To advance the religion of Islam, in particular Sufi practices and teachings, for public benefit, by organising regular prayer meetings, lectures, celebration of religious festivals and literature on Sufism to educate others about Islam and Sufism.
2. The promotion of religious harmony for the benefit of the public by promoting knowledge and mutual understanding and respect of the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths through the organisation, participation and support of interfaith events and partnership activities within the United Kingdom.

3. The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or another disadvantage.

Our activities are consistent with national and local strategies and action plans to enhance religious harmony and relieve poverty. Our activities aim to promote equality and diversity, wellbeing and social outcomes and the independence of service users. We are committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults from harm and isolation. We work to empower and encourage our service users to actively participate in activities and processes that improve their circumstances and positively contribute to their communities.

Achievements and performance

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on many charities and AQRT UK has faced major challenges and restrictions in continuing to deliver our charitable objectives. AQRT UK immediately responded to the situation by moving its weekly congregational zikrs (Sufi meditation) online via Zoom. This enabled us to continue providing spiritual meditation, support and Sufi teachings. This offered much support with mental wellbeing and social isolation and loneliness.

Overall, we provided services to more than 1,200 individuals through the following activities:

Congregational Zikr

AQRT UK board of Trustees decided on 13 March 2020 to suspend all the weekly zikrs held at the Unitarian Essex Church due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Monday weekly zikr moved online via Zoom from 17 March 2020. The format of the online UK weekly zikr remained the same and was open to everyone who came in peace. A short talk on Sufism was given prior to each zikr. The topics covered a range of Sufi teachings. The online Monday zikr was advertised on Meetup and Eventbrite. We regularly had attendees from different faiths and no faith and also from abroad. Those present are welcome to participate or simply observe. After the meditation we pray for Love, Peace, Togetherness, Unity and Prosperity for all humanity. From 24 April 2020, an additional weekly congregational zikr was held online from Basildon (Essex) every Sunday. This zikr is advertised to all the murids. From April 2020 to March 2021, we held a total of 111 zikrs online via Zoom. The total number of attendees for these zikrs was 1,235 (486 men and 789 women).

Interfaith and Intra-faith work

The COVID-19 pandemic during April 2020 and March 2021 had a significant impact on AQRT UK's ability to undertake the full range of Interfaith and Intra-faith work we are usually involved in as most of the activities entailed face to face, group and community-based meetings which were not possible due to government restrictions introduced. However, AQRT UK responded to the challenges by making use of Zoom and other online methods to continue to engage with Faith and Community Groups. We have also been involved with Health and Local Authority agencies in sharing knowledge, addressing myths in relation to COVID-19 and encouraging COVID 19 testing and vaccination.

Unfortunately, religious intolerance continues and this has included the dissemination of a negative and incorrect view of Islam as well as anti-Semitism. We have taken part in joint discussion groups and activities aimed to combat/challenge these belief systems, help differentiate cultural practices from religious practices and promote Islam and Sufi teachings which promote Love, Peace and Togetherness. We have attempted to be inclusive in our activities by trying to ensure we provide factual information to all interested people, and to collaborate with other Community and Faith Groups with whom we share common principles and aims.

During 2020/21, we focused on promoting religious harmony and mutual understanding by trying to continue to maintain networks and links and develop and share knowledge and respect for the beliefs and practices of different religious faiths.

This has proved challenging as many of the existing networks were not active especially during the early stage of the COVID-19 restrictions. Consequently, we were able mainly through telephone, email, Zoom and other means to become involved and participate in interfaith events and partnership activities. A few examples are highlighted below:

- We have continued to maintain links with the West London Synagogue (WLS) albeit informally and where possible to give a Sufi perspective on a number of topical issues in the WLS Inter Faith programme including the Holocaust and Genocide. We look forward to expanding our input particularly with the Women's Group as conditions return to normality.
- We have continued our active membership mainly thorough Zoom meetings and events of the South London Interfaith Group (SLIG) which aims to tackle important topical issues from a multi-faith or intra-faith perspective
- AQRT was invited to take part in the NHS SE London CCG Engagement forum on COVID-19 which looked at effective engagement methods with Faith and Community Groups to brief on the local COVID situation, and tackle mis-information and barriers to accessing services. We took part in a number of targeted events to support this work in Muslim Communities including development of resources.

Promotion of Islam and Sufism

The promotion of Sufism and Islam took place online via Zoom every Monday and Sunday at the weekly congregational zikrs. This was performed through talks followed by questions and answers before or after each zikr where principles, methodology, practices, stories and culture of Sufism are discussed and taught. Spiritual teaching by the AQRT UK chaplains was also provided online after the Monday congregational zikr on a one-to-one basis, as well as in depth phone calls to discuss Sufism. Further opportunities for contact, as well as email discussions come via social media. We also use our Inter Faith work as an opportunity to promote Islam and Sufism.

The spiritual head of our Sufi order Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzeyyen Ansari provided online weekly talks and Zikrs from 24 March 2020 on YouTube. These events were also advertised to both our members and our regular public who also had the opportunity to interact directly with our spiritual leader during these difficult times.

In addition, we have supported isolated and ill students and members by regular phone contacts.

Work to relieve poverty

Being a very small charity, this aspect of our charitable objectives during the COVID-19 pandemic was dramatically impacted due to the loss of donation and also the availability of our volunteers. This is still an area which we aim to expand despite the COVID-19 pandemic that has negatively impacted our ability to fundraise and apply for funding. We have developed an emergency programme through which families and individuals experiencing hunger, poverty, homelessness and who need emergency support are provided with food and essential goods upon assessment.

We are committed to develop the work stream and we are attempting to attract funding and form partnerships with like-minded voluntary organisations who are already working in this field. This will include recruiting, training and placing our trained volunteers to support activities such as soup kitchens, foodbanks, drop-in centres, night shelters etc.

Our membership and trustees have diverse cultural backgrounds and include social workers, medical professionals, and Safeguarding consultants. We also have links to the Sufi and wider Muslim community. Consequently, we are able to respond quickly by providing support to address and meet urgent needs. We have experience of working in partnership including local Social Services and other voluntary sector organisations. We are currently restrained by limited funding and availability of volunteers.

Future aims and objectives

Our charity objectives will continue to shape the trustees' future plans with a target to expand our activities especially on work to relief poverty. Being a very small charity with limited funding solely based on individual donations at this stage, we intend where possible to focus on partnership bids which will maximise resources by preventing duplication. However, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic presents major challenges both operationally and financially, as well as increasing the need for services as more people face poverty and isolation.

Financial review

AQRT UK had total receipts of £10,662 as shown on the Receipts and Payments Accounts. For the year ended 31 March 2021, there were net expenses of £495 (2020: net receipts £3,011).

All AQRT UK assets are held for the furtherance of its objectives and are adequate and sufficient to meet its objectives. AQRT UK did not apply for any contracts during the year ended 31 March 2021. AQRT UK does not employ any staff and trustees do not receive any remuneration. Trustees and volunteers can receive reasonable travel allowance subsistence cost.

Reserves policy

The trustees review the reserve policy of the organisation annually. Their decision on the level of the reserve depends on the level of the unrestricted funds available. For this year, they decided that the current level of reserve should be maintained at least at a level equivalent to approximately three months' expenditure (excluding the collection and distribution of Zakat, Fidyah, ninety percent of tithing and our community activities and programme). The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of any significant drop in the organisation's funding, they will be able to continue AQRT UK's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

This leaves free reserve at 31 March 2021 of £841 which is equal to between 4 and 5 months average expenditure during the year ended 31 March 2021

Principal funding sources

The current Charity's main source of income is through individual donations, donations at zikr, zakat, fidya and ten percent on each tithing collected by members.

The total amount donated at Zikr was £nil.

Restriction on funds

Restricted income includes ninety percent tithing payable to the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA, linked to the teaching, training, spiritual development and individual support provided to the Charity's members.

Restricted income includes zakat and fidya and these funds are to be used solely for the relief of need, financial hardship and for AQRT UK activities.

Investment Policy

There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest but as we do not have available funds to make investments this is not an immediate issue for us.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the Receipts and Payments Accounts ("financial statements") in accordance with applicable law and receipts and payments accounting.

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the receipts and payments of the charity for that period.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that 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.

The trustees' annual report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 January 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Amina Jappie

Chair of the Ansari Qadiri Sufi Order of the UK



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Ansari Qadiri Rifai Sufi Order Of The United Kingdom

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2021	Charity no (if any)	1172565
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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

28/1/2022

Name:

Irfan Hussain BFP FCA

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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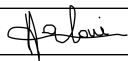
Year ended 31 March 2021

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		Receipts and payments accounts			
	For the period from	Period start date 01-Apr-20	To	Period end date 31-Mar-21	
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 £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	492	-	-	492	5,893
Tithing	959	8,631	-	9,590	7,641
Zakaat and Fidya	-	580	-	580	1,509
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,451	9,211	-	10,662	15,043
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,451	9,211	-	10,662	15,043
A3 Payments					
Premises rent	600	-	-	600	1,467
Teaching program	-	-	-	-	3,177
Bank charges	151	-	-	151	174
General expenses	806	-	-	806	1,714
Zakaat and Fidya	-	-	-	-	-
Tithing paid	-	9,600	-	9,600	5,500
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,557	9,600	-	11,157	12,032
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,557	9,600	-	11,157	12,032
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 106	- 389	-	- 495	3,011
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,547	3,969	-	5,516	2,505
Cash funds this year end	1,441	3,580	-	5,021	5,516

ANSARI QADIRI RIFAI SUFI ORDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2021

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		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	600	31 January 2022
			-	
			-	
Notes to the accounts				
<p>(i) Under a signed agreement, 90% of tithing received by the charity is payable to a related organisation, Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas based in New York, USA. During the year £9,600 was paid to Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas (2020: £5500). A balance of £660 (2020: £1629) remained payable at the year end.</p>				
<p>(ii) The Spiritual Head of both the charity and the Islamic Sufi Order of Qadiri Rifai Tariqa of the Americas, Shaykh Taner Ansari and his wife Shaykha Muzzeyen Ansari, delivered no Sufi training programs in London during the year (2020: £3,177).</p>				
<p>(iii) A trustee, Sayyed Goolamhossen, was paid £206.76 for reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the charity.</p>				
<p>(iv) There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.</p>				
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Fadila Laloui	28/01/2022	