

CAMBOURNE CRESCENT

England & Wales - Charity number 1174750

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2017-09-20

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

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Activities

Objects: A)THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ISLAMIC FAITH FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TENETS AND DOCTRINES OF ISLAM AND IN SUCH OTHER WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT;B)TO FURTHER OR BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF CAMBOURNE AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID RESIDENTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS;C)EACH CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE.

Activities: Fulfilling the social and spiritual needs of families living in Cambourne and the surrounding areas;Liaising with Parish and District Council for a community centre building open to all communities and groups;Islamic and Arabic Language School;Participating and promoting all local charitable causes

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Cambridgeshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£187,335	£58,519	-	-
2023-12-31	£184,818	£45,234	-	-
2022-12-31	£69,465	£18,727	-	-
2021-12-31	£54,450	£18,982	-	-
2020-12-31	£32,218	£23,780	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
AFTAB AHMED		2011-02-03
Arshad Siddiqui		2017-07-25
Jakir Chowdhury		2022-07-29
Lobna Rihawi		2017-09-13
Sabana Parvin Rahim		2019-03-12
Sobia Zaman		2022-07-29

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

Name	Date of appointment	Other trusteeships
Muhaiyuddin Raza Amode	04-Aug-22	None on record
Hinar Mostafa	29-Jul-22	None on record
Jakir Chowdhury	29-Jul-22	None on record
Sobia Zaman	29-Jul-22	None on record
Sabana Parvin Rahim	12-Mar-19	None on record
Nishat Akhter	13-Oct-17	None on record
Abdellatif Salah	13-Oct-17	None on record
Lobna Rihawi	13-Sep-17	None on record
Arshad Siddiqui	25-Jul-17	None on record
Aftab Ahmed	03-Feb-11	None on record
Muhaiyuddin Raza Amode	Resigned on 23-Oct-24	

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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The charity spends its money for

- Fulfilling the social and spiritual needs of families living in Cambourne and the surrounding areas.
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The Charity is dependent on donations from individuals for its funding.

REVIEW OF PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2024 was another exciting year where we continued with our basic services, and we managed a number of ad-hoc functions. We also continued to gain financial stability for Cambourne Crescent.

Cambourne Crescent Annual Report

Some of the highlights of the year were as follows

Event	Date	Brief detail about the event
Ladies' coffee	7-Jan-24	Coffee evening for ladies
Family bring and share dinner	13-Jan-24	Family bring and share dinner with quiz and prizes
Cambourne Community IFTAR	17-Mar-24	Bring and share IFTAR
EID AL FITR	10-Apr-24	Event of Eid Prayers
EID AL ADHA	16-Jun-24	Event of Eid Prayers
Eid Al-Adha Get-Together	6-Jul-24	EID and end of school year celebration
Back to School meet up	14-Sept-24	Family get together and Seerah competition

Financial review

Going concern

The charity has maintained its financial sustainability by means of continuous donation via standing order donation and face-face collection. This has resulted in regular inflow of funds to maintain charity activity. We have managed to maintain healthy reserves and therefore, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue its operational existence for the period to December 2025. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Reserves policy

The Trustees regard the equivalent of three months operational expenses as an appropriate level of reserves. The present level of funding is considered adequate by the trustees to run the activities of the charity.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Cambourne Crescent

I report on the accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 8 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement


My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Date: 30th Oct 2025

Name: Bilal Iqbal

Relevant professional qualification: Management Accountant

Address: 6 Pine Grove, Farnworth, BL4 0BJ

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Statement of Financial Activities

For year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Income			
Restricted Donations		108,248	73,170
Unrestricted Donations		79,087	111,648
Total		187,335	184,818
Expenditure			
Charitable activities - restricted	2	(5,096)	(10,349)
Charitable activities - unrestricted	2	(53,422)	(34,885)
Total		(58,519)	(45,234)
Net Income		128,817	139,584
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		241,669	102,115
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		370,516	241,669

All amounts relate to continuing activities of the charity.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes to the accounts are shown on pages 10 to 11.

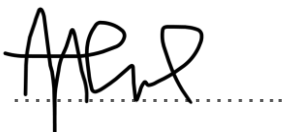
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Current Assets			
Cash and bank balances	3	370,516	241,699
Total		370,516	241,699
Creditors			
		-	-
Net Assets		370,516	241,699
Funds			
Restricted Funds		296,329	222,338
Unrestricted Funds		74,187	19,361
Total Funds		370,516	241,699

The notes to the accounts are shown on pages 10 to 11.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 30th Oct 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Aftab Ahmed

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation of financial statements

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Fund accounting

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Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

2. Charitable activities

	2024	2023
Congregation expenses	2,487	3,934
School running expenses	38,203	26,526
Events and Catering	6,734	4,039
Zakat / donation	10,986	10,735
Other	109	-
Total	58,519	45,234

3. Cash and bank balances

	Restricted	Unrestricted
Balance as at 31 December 2023	222,338	19,361
Income during the year	140,731	119,359
Expenses paid during the year	(16,647)	(114,626)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2024	346,422	24,094

Income and expenses include transfers within the restricted and unrestricted accounts.

4. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023: £Nil)

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Ladies Coffee Evening	Several times during the year	When do you need an Obstetrician/Gynaecologist? A talk about life journey through Women's Health.
Cambourne Community IFTAR	08-Apr-23	Cambourne Community IFTAR in aid of Cambourne Community Project
EID AL FITR	21-Apr-23	Event of Eid Prayers
EID AL ADHA	28-Jun-23	Event of Eid Prayers
Eid Al-Adha Get-Together	29-Jun-23	EID day celebration arranged for the community
Wills Workshop	30-Sep-23	Event to discuss Will making ways as per Islamic guidance
Rabi' al-Awwal Meet-Up	30-Sep-23	Seerah Competition & family get-together
Salah Challenge	03-Dec-23	Salah challenge prize distribution

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	Notes	2023	2022
Income			
Restricted Donations		73,170	12,474
Unrestricted Donations		111,648	42,821
Total		184,818	55,295
Expenditure			
Charitable activities - restricted	2	(10,349)	(7,349)
Charitable activities - unrestricted	2	(34,885)	(21,909)
Total		(45,234)	(29,258)
Net Income		139,584	26,037
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		102,115	76,078
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		241,699	102,115

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BALANCE SHEET

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Current Assets			
Cash and bank balances	3	241,699	102,115
Total		241,699	102,115
Creditors			
		-	-
Net Assets		241,699	102,115
Funds			
Restricted Funds		222,338	82,056
Unrestricted Funds		19,361	20,059
Total Funds		241,699	102,115

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2. Charitable activities

	2023	2022
Congregation expenses	3,934	3,681
School running expenses	26,526	15,560
Catering and Food	4,039	4,006
Zakat / donation	10,735	11
Other	-	6,000
Total	45,234	29,258

3. Cash and bank balances

	Restricted	Unrestricted
Balance as at 31 December 2022	82,056	20,059
Income during the year	140,282	-
Expenses paid during the year	-	(698)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2023	222,338	19,361

4. Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

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INTRODUCTION

2022 was another exciting year where we continued with our basic services and we managed a number of ad-hoc functions. We also continued to gain financial stability for Cambourne Crescent.

Some of the highlights of the year were the seerah competition, treat your neighbour and a number of bring and share functions.

The Cambourne Ramadan iftar was one of our largest ever gathering with over 600 people coming together to break their fast.

This year we also made a plan to increase our financial strength during the course of the next five years. The target is to raise half million pounds by the end of 2027.

As well as our regular activities we had a selection of functions, some of which are detailed over the next few pages.

I. SELECTION OF EVENTS HELD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

EVENTS

MoodBoard Contest

POSTED ON 26TH OCTOBER 2022

EVENTS

Coffee and Conversation

POSTED ON 9TH OCTOBER 2022

Sisters, we would like to invite you for a Coffee and Conversation event on: 📅 Sat, 15th October, 6 to 7.30 pm
📍 New Cricket Pavilion The event is for the lovely ladies and girls to get together. _____ 6.00 pm – Arrival 6.15 pm – Maghreb Salah together 6.30 pm – "Me and Islam" [...]

EVENTS

Seerah Competition & Bring a Dish

POSTED ON 6TH OCTOBER 2022

Please join us for the Seerah Competition & family get-together coming Saturday. 🌞 Saturday 8th Oct 📅
Time: 5:30-10 pm (food will be served at 6:30 pm) 📍 Cambourne HUB – map

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EID AL-ADHA 2022

POSTED ON 6TH JULY 2022

Eid Day We will be praying the Eid Salah in football ground this year, In'sha Allah. Please be at the venue by 9.15 am as Jama'at will be at 9.30 am prompt. Venue: Cambourne Sports and Social Club Ground, CB23 6FY – map Date: Saturday 9th July 2022 Time: 9:15 – [..]

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Treat Your Neighbour

POSTED ON 26TH APRIL 2022



Given our busy schedules, we do not always have the time or energy to reach out to our neighbours. We will be making food parcels during the Ramadan for you to collect and distribute to your neighbours. Please come along and treat your neighbour. Approximate cost will be about £3 for a box, and you [..]

EVENTS

Eid Get-Together – Bring A Dish

POSTED ON 10TH JUNE 2022



Please come along for family 'Bring a Dish' gettogether. 📅 Saturday, 11th June 🕒 1 - 5 pm 📍 Cambourne Village College (CVC) – map 🗺️ Please bring a main dish, dessert and a bottle of drink to share 🍷 Please bring food that is ready to be served along with any serving spoons that may [...]

2. SELECTION OF LOCAL NEWS

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COMMUNITY

Eid Mubarak

What is Ramadan?

Ramadan is considered the holiest month in Islam. It is the month of communal prayer, devotion to the Quran, and internal reflection. Islam follows the lunar calendar instead of the Gregorian calendar, which is why the start date for Ramadan changes every year. This year, the first day of Ramadan was April 2 which was determined by visual sightings of the crescent moon.

From dawn until dusk, Muslims practice self-restraint to uphold one of the basic tenets of Islam - fasting. This daily practice includes abstaining from food and beverage and all forms of immoral or any unkind behaviour.

Ramadan stimulates the ethos of sharing and caring, extra generosity, respect and giving preference to fellow human beings.



Many mosques hold food drives or fundraisers for charity during Ramadan. Many mosques also host open houses for their friends and neighbours of other faiths to join them for their fast-breaking dinner at the end of the fasting day. This year, over 450 residents attended an annual big Iftar event organised by Cambourne Crescent. Ramadan is also a time for significant community and family spirit and providing support. Many individuals and families will

pray and eat together and support each other in many ways throughout this month. The end of Ramadan is a celebration known as Eid al-Fitr, one of the major holidays for Muslims. Families and friends get together, and there is a special communal prayer to mark the end of Ramadan. People often dress up in traditional clothing and eat traditional foods. The greeting Eid Mubarak means "blessed holiday!".

Ramadan reflection

For me, this year's observance of Ramadan promises a particularly exciting, though almost unfamiliar, return to the spiritual community.

It marks my first big communal iftar - the meal to signify the conclusion of the daily fast - and my first taraweeh prayers - the set of community-led, nightly prayers distinct to the month of Ramadan - in three years. Perhaps most exceptionally, this will be my first-time celebrating Ramadan with the Muslim community in Cambourne.

Spending time with family and friends, both at home and at mosques, is a common custom during Ramadan. Ramadan is to me a metaphor for unity across boundaries. It reminds me that multiplicity and diversity are a blessing. With most of the year spent feeling busy and stuck in a routine, Ramadan demands that we reach out to our local community to build a brighter future of cohesion, understanding and solidarity.

I always see Ramadan as that special time when we can enter a holy quarantine to better ourselves as human beings. It is a time to reflect on our aspirations and endeavours, to renew our sense of faith and refocus on our ultimate goal.



Dr Yomna Helmy

3. FINANCE

Total income for financial period from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022
£69,465

Total expenditure for current financial period from 1st January 2022 to 31st December
2022 £18,727

Main expenses were comprised of:

Payment to Cambourne Village College for hire of facilities £7,411

Payment to Cambourne Town Council for hire of facilities £3,181

Catering for events and functions £3,376

Stationary and printing £551

Books for schools £1,247

Payment for online learning portal £1,119

Teaching related expenses £4,905

Insurance £118

Main current account end balance as at 31st Dec 2022 £20,044

Savings account for New Community Project:

End balance as at 31st Dec 2021 £30,396.

Total Income and money transferred from current account to savings for the year
£51,660

End balance for saving account as at 31st Dec 2022 £82,056.

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INTRODUCTION

2021 was another exciting year for Cambourne Crescent, as we slowly came out of lockdown measures. During the summer of 2021, we were able to resume most of our pre-coronavirus activities.

Much anticipated Arabic Cultural event was a huge success, further details can be found later in this report.

As we came out of lockdown, the work of Cambourne Volunteers Task Force continued but in a reduced capacity. We continued to help with individual request for help.

I. CAMBOURNE VOLUNTEER TASK FORCE

Volunteer Task Force

CVTF has been serving the community for more than a year now and has brought together volunteers from diverse background. Recently Cllr Aidan Van de Weyer & Cllr Ian Sollom (South Cambs District Council) and Cllr Stephen Drew (Cambourne Town Council) visited us. Anthony Browne MP, Cllr Ruth Betson & Cllr Shrobona Bhattacharya (South Cambs District Council) also visited us. We are also pleased for getting a commendation certificate from Chairman of Cambridgeshire County Council, Cllr Mac McGuire.

We have been supported by local supermarkets in the form of public donations. We received corporate donations and goods from Morrisons and were able to distribute some of the items to other charities (such as PARCA and Jimmy's Homeless Shelter) in addition to local households.

A large amount of pet food and accessories were delivered by CVTF to Wood Green animal charity in Godmanchester. Some food and cleaning products were delivered to Jimmy's homeless shelter in Cambridge. We delivered evening meals for the homeless at Jimmy's shelter on Bank Holiday Monday.

CVTF has been operating a weekly food parcel service to people who were able to collect food parcels and to those who were not. We started off at the Blue School and now we have been running the weekly packing and delivery/collection sessions from Lower Cambourne Cricket Pavillion, thanks to the Cambourne Cricket Club and Cambourne Town Council. Going forward, we will operate a shop-and-deliver model for new requests. Our grocery shopping and prescription delivery services continue as normal. We will also remain available for telephone chats with anyone feeling isolated and continue to respond to the needs of any family in distress referred to us by the Council or other referring bodies. We will also continue to support Cambourne Food Bank. It has been great to get help from secondary school students (from CVC) volunteering to earn Duke of Edinburgh Award. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Cambourne residents for their generosity in supporting us.

■ We can be reached via on-line contact form at www.CambourneCrescent.org/vtf, email info@cambournecrest.org or call 07593 396855.



2 CAMBRIDGE FESTIVAL OF ARAB CULTURE

Introduction

The Cambridge Festival of Arab Culture event is an event organized by Cambourne Crescent and sponsored by Qatar Foundation International.

The event is open to the wider community to explore and understand Arab culture. It took place on Sunday 19th September and around 3500 visitors attended the event throughout the day. It is the first Arab culture open event to take place in the Cambridge area. It included many activities like Arabic Music, Arabic food and drinks, entertainment for kids, and many other activities.



مهرجان كامبريدج
للثقافة العربية

Cambridge Festival Of Arab Culture

OPEN EVENT, EVERYONE WELCOME

◆ ARAB TRADITIONAL
FOOD AND DRINKS

◆ ARAB ARTS AND
CULTURE DISPLAY

◆◆◆ AND MORE ACTIVITIES ◆◆◆

ORGANIZED BY  SPONSORED BY 

SUNDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER
CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

Expenses

The QFI grant fund was used as described in the table below, which is very aligned with what was initially planned and presented to QFI.

The total amount of the grant was £2,893.

A. Expenses of The Cambridge Arab Culture Festival

Date	Description	Amount (£)	Comments
27/09/21	Venue Hire CVC	465	total venue hire £465
10/09/21	Shure SM58 vocal microphone bundle	125	from PMT music Cambridge
15/09/20 21	alto mixer, AKG wireless Mic, cables	285.97	Order from Andertons Music
15/09/20 21	Storage boxes for transport safekeeping	50.97	from Robert dyas
08/09/21	Festival A3 Poster Printing (solopress)	28.37	
08/09/21	Festival Roller Banner Printing (solopress)	93.41	
08/09/21	Festival Roller Banner Printing (solopress)	37.07	
14/09/21	Printing A3 Arab Culture posters for display (doxdirect.com)	75.53	
15/09/21	Printing A3 Arab historical monuments (doxdirect.com)	39.35	
15/09/21	Printing A3 Arab historical monuments (doxdirect.com)	30.67	

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14/09/21	400 Pcs Push Pins Colored	7.49	
14/09/21	Scotch Transparent Tape 508	6.23	
16/09/21	bouncy castles X3	300	from choles-castles, one soft play area and 2 bouncy castles
17/09/21	milk, water	11.5	
18/09/21	Biscuits and stirrers	16.08	
19/09/21	Hall cleaning	20	(cleaning tip)
	Estimate for Disposables, tea coffee cups etc. from CC storage	100	These had been pre-purchased
19/09/21	Bilal dance group	700	Paid £200 and £500
19/09/21	Food Ordered by sister Lobna	504	
	Grand total	2896.64	

Impact on the community.

- Around 3500 people attended the Cambridge Festival of Arab Culture and enjoyed learning about the Arab Culture and enjoyed the delicious food and the lovely Music, most of them from the wider community.

- □ BBC Radio Cambridge (96.0 MH) Breakfast show : Lobna Rihawi (a Cambourne Crescent trustee) was speaking to Louise Hlland about Cambridge Festival of Arab Culture.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p09szfv9>
- Media Coverage
 - <https://cambridge105.co.uk/event/cambridge-festival-of-arab-culture/>
 - http://cambournecrier.org/pdf-archives/2021/CambourneCrier_2021-11.pdf

- Article Published in the local Cambourne Crier Magazine

COMMUNITY

Cambridge Festival of Arab Culture



Taste buds were tickled, senses awoken, traditions explored and fun was had on Sunday 19th of September at Cambourne Village College thanks to the 1st Cambridge Festival of Arab Culture, hosted by Cambourne Crescent and kindly sponsored by the Qatar Foundation International.

The open event was a huge success with a steady stream of locals visiting the many exhibits throughout the afternoon.

Local Cambourne residents represented a variety of Arab countries such as Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria and Tunisia through music, food stalls, hot drinks, arts, crafts and clothing. Younger visitors were entertained on bouncy castles and had the opportunity to have some traditional Middle Eastern tattoo henna art work applied.

We all know that tea is central to English culture, but tea (and coffee) also play a central role in the Arab world. Stall holders displayed ornate tea and coffee sets used to serve and entertain family and friends. Tea not only serves to aid digestion after a large meal, it serves to show the generosity of the host as it is traditional to keep your tea cup constantly topped up. As with visiting family and friends, tea is rarely served alone. This was certainly the case at the Arab Culture Festival, as the amount of sweet treats on offer was vast and generous. Local school children commented: "The food was just so delicious. I loved the flavours," and "I had no idea that the music would create such a party atmosphere. It was really fun." We look forward to the next exciting event from Cambourne Crescent.



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1. FINANCE

Total income for current financial period from 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021 £54,450.

This includes a grant of £2,893 from Qatar foundation International for an Arab Cultural festival.

It also includes an interest free loan of £6,000 which will be returned upon demand.

Total expenditure for current financial period from 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021 £18,982

The main items of expenditure were Arab cultural festival £2,897.

A total of £3,411 was paid to Town council for our regular bookings.

A Total of £2,568 was paid to Cambourne Village College for our school bookings, these are reduced amounts as school was closed due to Covid for half of the year.

Equipment and stationary, books for schools amounted to £2,115.

Other expenses include organizing our various events and functions, administration expenses for our schools, website hosting related fees and insurance.

Main account end balance as at 31st Dec 2021 £42,787

New Mosque Project End balance as at 31st Dec 2020 £30,396.

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INTRODUCTION

2020 was a very busy year for Cambourne Crescent, but certainly not in a manner which we could have anticipated. In many ways, most of our normal activities were curtailed, things such as congregational prayer, Islamic school and Arabic language school were not able to function in their usual manner. However, we did manage to set up and run the Islamic school online.

Main achievements:

- Set up Volunteers task force
- Organized a highly efficient food bank
- Continued essential medical supplies
- Provided telephone support to the most vulnerable
- Partnerships with Morrison and Co-op
- Online Islamic School for academic year 2020/2021

1. CAMBOURNE VOLUNTEER TASK FORCE

Cambourne's Volunteer Task Force Responds to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Roger Hume, one of the first residents of Cambourne, laid the foundations for, what is now a true community spirit in Cambourne.

Today we can all be proud to be part of Cambourne for many reasons, but we can be inspired with the local community spirit and energy over the last several days.

Cambourne Crescent (a local community charity) launched a small initiative called 'Volunteer Task Force', to assist the most vulnerable in our society against COVID-19 pandemic.



Cambourne Task Force Volunteers Abdellatif Salah, Bill Miller, Kasia Wasielewska, Cllr Nishat Akhtar, Natasha Johnson, Hassaan Touheed, Karla Parker and Cilal Aftab Ahamed

Arshad Siddiqui, who is leading this initiative commented, "The response has been overwhelming with dozens of people from all walks of life signing up to volunteer on the first day, we really were not expecting or even prepared for this response.

The volunteer group already includes members from Cambourne Crescent, Cambourne Church, the Town Councillors, community groups, local supermarkets and most importantly, many ordinary local residents."

The Volunteer task force was primarily set up to unite individuals into a cohesive unit who can be easily approached by local official bodies and especially those in need to assist in this time of crisis, with the Corona virus (Covid-19) being at the top of the agenda.

A team of people will be available and prepared to volunteer their time to assist as and when required. This could be as simple as keeping an eye on an elderly neighbour, shopping for essential supplies or speaking over phone for anyone that is feeling isolated and lonely.

Distributing Food to people is an essential service which is being provided by the Task Force, particularly at times of panic buying, where food is simply not available on the shelves to buy.

Cambourne Crescent will be discussing contingency plans with local service providers and our growing team of volunteers.

For further information and regular updates please visit our website: www.CambourneCrescent.org

If you need help or would like to volunteer, please get in touch via the website:-

www.cambournecrescent.org or send an email with your name and phone number to: info@CambourneCrescent.org



If you do not have access to the internet, you may call or leave a message at:
0759 3396 855 or 01954 201808

Food Bank Collections and Volunteering

The Cambourne Volunteer Task force does have volunteers who can visit our most vulnerable people to distribute the donations, but needs more.

This is also an appeal to help local elderly people, people in self-isolation and people concerned about going out. You can help these most vulnerable members of Cambourne by donating as many items as reasonably possible from the list below.

The items most in demand at present are:-

- Canned food: vegetables, fruits, soups, tuna, meat, pasta sauce etc.
- Dry food: rice, pasta, beans, cereal, chips, snacks, biscuits
- Drinks: UHT milk, coffee, tea
- Cooking oil
- Hygiene Products:- Handwash liquid, soap, toilet paper, tissues, dish soap, laundry detergent, etc.
- Baby Food and Nappies
- Pet food and pet supplies



Upper Cambourne Co-op Staff with some of the items generously donated by residents

Look out for the trolleys where you can donate items in the Co-op Stores in Upper and Lower Cambourne and in Morrisons supermarket.

CAMBOURNE VOLUNTEER TASK FORCE

Cambourne volunteer task force is still here

We are living in times of difficulty and many families are struggling to feed themselves. CVTF represents the Cambourne community that stands by its members in distress. We can provide you with food parcels. If you are in need or know of someone else in need, please be assured we are here to help. In particular, we want no child facing hunger or malnutrition.

We run the food bank session every week as per the following schedule:

Time: Saturdays 10:00 - 11:00AM

Venue: Blue School, Eastgate, Great Cambourne
CB23 6DZ

If you are isolating or have mobility issues, we might be able to deliver to you. We are reachable via:

www.CambourneCrescent.org/vtf

Phone: +44 7593 396855

Email: info@cambourmecrescent.org



Co-op is helping our CVTF

How does the Co-op Local Community Fund work?

Register for Co-op membership and you get 5% cashback (when you use your points card while shopping Co-op branded products).

Select "Cambourne's Volunteer Task Force" as your chosen charity. Co-op donates 2% to #CVTF (after signing in, see web-link)

Please help #CVTF as the cause to support by signing into Co-op membership account and choosing Cambourne's Volunteer Task Force -

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/43690>



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South Cambs MP Anthony Browne (right) visits Cambourne Crescent volunteering group, including Trustee Arshad Siddiqui (left) as they prepare food parcels at The Blue School in Eastgate, Great Camboorne

Volunteers' mission to help vulnerable during lockdown

ARMY OF HELPERS HELP PEOPLE IN NEED WITH THEIR FOOD PARCELS AND PRESCRIPTIONS

By CHARLOTTE PAGE
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A TEAM of volunteers have responded to 500 requests from some of the most vulnerable during Covid-19, including supplying food parcels, collecting prescriptions or simply a phone call.

Cambourne Crescent, a community charity, launched an initiative called Volunteer Task Force to assist those most in need during the coronavirus pandemic.

The charity, which formed a decade ago, has been running the initiative for four months with the help of at least 75 volunteers, including members from Cambourne Crescent, Cambourne Church, town councillors, community groups, local supermarkets and residents.

On Saturday, South Cambridgeshire MP Anthony Browne spent the morning with the team, who came together once again to assist the community.

Mr Browne was given an insight into what the group has been doing since the pandemic

Cambridgeshire Coronavirus Community Fund

Together we are strong

maintaining a safe distance.

Food donation trolleys are located in Cambourne Merrisons and Upper Camboorne Co-Op, where residents can drop off their donations.

All the volunteers are registered and insured by Cambourne Town Council, carry an ID badge and follow government guidelines on social distancing at all times.

For more information, visit cambourne.org or call info@cambourne.org.

Cambourne Crescent is able to run the Volunteer Task Force thanks to a £14,000 donation from the Cambridgeshire Coronavirus Community Fund.

The fund is managed by Cambridgeshire Community Foundation and supported by the News as media partner and has made 171 grants to different charities and groups, helping the most vulnerable during the pandemic.

The appeal has a goal of raising £1 million to continue this support and has so far raised nearly £37,000.

To donate, go to juggling.com/campaign/Coronaviruscommunityfund.

TUESDAY

£1,000 for every ticket in these winning postcodes

BN1 3FS	CF44 0BA	L20 3AH	S40 2DD
BN17 7FX	CO3 0AS	N4 4ST	S84 4HD
BN27 2JH	EN6 4RN	NP18 2HJ	SS8 7JZ
CB9 6BN	GL1 1BT	RG22 5EH	W87 6PP
CB9 6LR	KT8 3DD	RM26 3DA	WR14 2NH

"On behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council, I would like to thank you for your contribution and I am delighted to attach a Chairman's commendation certificate as recognition of your services and support during the Covid-19 pandemic.

We also plan to honour the organisation publically on the County Council website as part of a 'roll of honour' and plan to mention the work you have done as part of our ongoing media updates about how Cambridgeshire came together and supported each other during this time.

Again, my congratulations and thanks."

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENDATION

COVID-19 PANDEMIC 2020

This is to commend the remarkable efforts of

Cambourne's Volunteer Task Force

In supporting Cambridgeshire through the COVID-19 Pandemic



Signed

Councillor Mac McGuire
Chairman of Cambridgeshire County Council



COMMUNITY

Cambourne volunteers continue to help those in need

South Cambridgeshire MP Anthony Browne spent Saturday morning of June 27th meeting with the Cambourne Volunteer Task Force (CVTF), who have come together from across



Cambourne to assist those in the community.

Anthony was given insight into what the group have been doing since the pandemic began. He also helped deliver some food packages and spoke to some of the recipients about how lockdown has been for them, as well as finding out how important this voluntary support is to them.

The volunteering group has been running for the last four months and has over 75 volunteers. CVTF includes members from Cambourne Crescent, Cambourne Church, the Town Councillors, community groups, local supermarkets and residents. Over the last 4 months, volunteers have served over 600 requests from Cambourne and neighbouring villages. Many food parcels are delivered weekly. CVTF also offers grocery



deliveries, prescription collection for anyone self-isolating or shielding. The volunteering group started with a mission to not neglect anyone who is in need, especially the elderly and vulnerable in Cambourne. The team of volunteers has continued to ensure that they are there for anyone who needs them.

CVTF's most challenging and important task has been the preparation and delivery of food parcels to residents in Cambourne and its surrounding villages. Currently they are delivering around 70 bags of food each week. This effort is massively supported by Morrisons through their weekly corporate donations. Thanks to Vanessa Williams and the store manager Michael Iannou in particular, CVTF has been a major recipient of these donations. The donations have gone a long way towards sustaining the volunteers' efforts and fulfilling the increasing demand.

CVTF are also grateful for the help of many other staff members including Tom and Luke (pictured below) who were instrumental in facilitating CVTF collections. In addition, Morrisons kept the donations trolley for people to contribute within easy access.

Morrisons has also been helpful in putting up CVTF signs for those in need to reach out. Lately, they have also been preparing donation packs with the food items most needed for food parcels for people to buy and donate. Thanks to the efforts of Morrisons staff, people know they are donating the right items.



Morrisons has also taken other steps to help the community. In the early days of lock-down, when certain items were difficult to obtain, Morrisons managed this by putting limits on the number of items people could buy in a single shopping transaction. These restrictions were lifted as soon as supply matched demand. The hour immediately after store opening was also reserved for NHS staff to help our heroes and heroines at the heart of the battle against Covid-19.

If anyone needs help, from CVTF they can fill the form on the website - www.CambourneCrescent.org/vtf

2. CCST

We had a great start to our Science and Technology club, but then due to the lockdown our activities were severely curtailed for the club.

CCST 2020



Cambourne Crescent Science and Technology Club has kicked off with the school term. This year the children are preparing to participate in the First® Lego® League, a global science and technology challenge. The challenge invites kids from all around to undertake Lego building and programming projects to demonstrate their ingenuity. Competitions are held regionally, and top teams can then compete at international level. The challenge is designed to encourage young people to take an interest in real-world issues and develop problem-solving skills. There are three parts: the Robot Game, the Project, and the Core Values. The project is based around Robotics and Lego. It is a structured program with mentor-led activities. Teams operate under and are asked to demonstrate the FIRST signature set of

Core Values: celebrating discovery, innovation, impact, inclusion, teamwork and fun. CCST runs free of charge and is open to everyone. With the help of donations, this year's themed Lego set (named BOOMTOWN BUILD) and several WeDo 2.0 sets have been purchased and kids are busy building.

Tech Club is run by volunteers who work with different technology companies in the local Science Park bringing with them experience and knowledge. Volunteers and parents form a team to mentor groups of children with the aim to prepare young children for teamwork and develop STEM skills.

The club is held on alternate Sundays at 3pm in the Blue School, please contact CCST for more details or to join at - info@cambourne crescent.org



3. OTHER ACTIVITIES

During this difficult year for everyone, we continued with our normal services wherever possible, congregational prayer arrangements were made when conditions allowed. The Islamic school went online from September 2020 until July 2021.

4. FINANCE

Total income for current financial period from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020 £32,218. (This number includes the £14,000 grant detailed below)

Total expenditure for current financial period from 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020 £23,780 (The £12,648.90 amount returned, detailed below is included here)

Total covid related expenses including the return of the grant were £14,510.

The remaining expenses are primary venue hire, purchase of equipment and books, insurance and other small expenses.

Coronavirus related funding

We received a £14,000 coronavirus grant from Cambs Coronavirus Community Fund

We only spent £1,351.10.

Remaining £12,648.90 was promptly returned.

The main reason for not utilizing the grant was that our local supermarkets Morrison and Co-op kindly stepped in and provided regular generous food donations which we were able to distribute.

Initially in the very early days of the pandemic, a just giving fund page was aslo set up. Details as follows:

Total income from Just giving page	2614.95
Total spent	509.73
Balance	2105.22

Again, we did not need to utilize this fund due to the generous local donations of food from our local supermarkets. The small amount spent was on fresh produce and on any specific dietary requirements. The remaining money will be used during 2021.

Main back account

Main account starting balance as at 1st Jan 2020 £31,080

End balance as at 31st Dec 2020 £35, 518

On 23rd of September 2020 a separate savings account for the New Mosque Project was established.

Closing balance as at 31st Dec 2020 £1,895.

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