



CAMBOURNE CRESCENT ACCOUNTS

2022



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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: ① 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 ①
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 2020 £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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