

COMPANY CHARITY NUMBER: 1180406
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: CE015435



AL FIKR

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD
22 OCTOBER 2021 TO 21 OCTOBER 2022**

Quba Accountancy Limited

**14 Mayne Avenue
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UK**

CHAIRMAN MESSAGE

Dear Donors,

AsalaamuAlaykum,

Global recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic put further pressure on the cost of living to rise in the year 2021/2022. Since 2018, Al-Fikr's work has been focused on assisting the most vulnerable people.

During this financial year, we have been able to deliver food parcels with a total of 40,000 meals to our local community, which included the essential necessities to feed around 40 local families experiencing food insecurity each week. During 2022 it became apparent that many members of the local community were living in sheltered housing, hostels or temporary accommodation with no means to cook for themselves. Taking this into consideration, we launched a cooked food program, delivering freshly cooked ready meals to those suffering in the local community on a bi-weekly basis. Our response to this hunger crisis has been shaped by listening to the insights and experience of frontline staff working in the communities they serve. Our Uganda humanitarian journey was a success, with over 100,000 meals, sanitary goods, and mosquito nets distributed. In addition, we were able to construct water wells and restore non-functional water wells. It is our aim to provide safe, clean water which is accessible to impoverished communities tackling thirst and stopping the spread of disease. We have been able to install over 500 water facilities in some of the world's most disadvantaged nations. During the holy month of Ramadan 2022, we distributed food packs, freshly cooked meals, and basics to the local destitute. We were able to deliver over 150,000 meals to those in need around the world. Furthermore, we conducted humanitarian distribution missions in Africa, India, and Pakistan.

As this report demonstrates, we are intensifying our efforts and diversifying our tools and approaches in response to increased and varied humanitarian needs. While the challenges are great, the amazing support of our donors, partners and the communities we serve inspires us to do everything we can to save and change lives around the world.

Ma'am Salaam,
Umar Manzoor
Chairman

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The trustees, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 22nd October 2021 to 21st October 2022.

INCORPORATION

The CIO was incorporated on 22nd October 2018.

Charity Registration Number

1180406

Company Registration Number

CE015435

Registered Office

73 Pullman Close
Redditch,
B97 6HR

Trustees

Mr Umar Manzoor	Chairman	- appointed 22.10.18
MR Amir Manzoor	Trustee	- appointed 22.10.18
Mr Manzoor Hussain	Trustee	- appointed 22.10.18
Mr Mohammad Israr Hussain	Trustee	- appointed 15.01.19

Independent Examiner

Quba Accountancy Limited
14 Mayne Avenue
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Principal Bank

Lloyds Bank
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees sets our future aims and priorities focusing on strategic planning and governance and also evaluates our performance and progress in our work to alleviate poverty and suffering.

The Board of Trustees appraises the Senior Management Team and can make appointments to it as well as dismissals. The Board of Trustees also make sure that we satisfy the regulatory requirements on us as a charity and works with key stakeholders.

Recruiting and Appointing Trustees

All our trustees are volunteer, chosen because they all have the diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience that we need to respond to the challenges of today. Stakeholders and partners may nominate trustees and sometimes we will make a personal approach to potential candidates.

Key Personnel

The Secretary is accountable to the Board of Trustees and is responsible for our day-to-day management. The Secretary chairs the Senior Management Team, which is made up of the Programmes, Fundraising and Finance Departments and all the policies are implemented through our staff and volunteers.

Governing document

AL-FIKR refers to the charity incorporated organisation with a governing document known as CIO constitution by association originally incorporated on 22 October 2019.

Responsibilities of Trustees

The annual Report and Financial statements are prepared according to the relevant law and approved by the trustees.

The trustees keep adequate accounting records and they show and explain our transactions. The records also disclose our financial position with reasonable accuracy at any time and enable trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with Charity Commission Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2015.

Grant Making Policies

We provide grants to projects if the request meets our charitable objectives and criteria. Project grant making is managed according to a designated process, which is documented in our Operational Risk-Management Framework". We aim to treat all grant applications professionally, equally and fairly. We make the final decision as to eligibility to receive a grant, at our discretion.

Public Benefit

We develop strategic plans to make certain that we provide maximum public benefit and achieve our strategic objectives, which fall under purposes defined by the Charity Act 2006.

Where We Work

AL-FIKR has development projects in Pakistan and Liberia. AL-FIKR is striving to reach out to vulnerable communities in many other countries of the world as well.

OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES FOR THE BENEFIT

The objects of the charity are set below:

1. TO ADVANCE THE ISLAMIC RELIGION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF MEETINGS, LECTURES [PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF RELIGIOUS FESTIVALS] PRODUCING AND/OR DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON AND TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE ISLAMIC RELIGION.
2. TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND HELP YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH: (A) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE; (B) PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS.

Our Compassion and Transformation Strategy sets out how we are putting our faith into action to secure the greatest possible positive impact on the people we serve. We are guided by the timeless values and teaching of Islam, with challenging aims designed to facilitate real social change.

In addition, we are fulfilling a set of core promises throughout our work:

Strengthening Local Capacity:

- We empower communities to manage their own affairs and develop the capacity of civil society itself through partnerships.

Education and Capacity Building:

- We educate communities and build capacities to minimize their dependency and help them in building their own society by planning access to their basic rights like water, health and other services.

The Charity Carried out the following activities in the year 2021-2022

Local food parcels

During 2022, we recognised the increased numbers of local families struggling to make ends meet, due in part to the significant cost of living increases. In reaction to this, we, at al Al-Fikr expanded our local food parcel project so that we now support an average of 40 local families per week suffering from food poverty. Every Saturday our team of volunteer's pack crates of long-life foods with some fresh fruit and vegetables, containing enough food to provide a minimum of 14 meals, which we then deliver on the same day to the families we support. We currently rely on donations at several local food drop-off points and utilise a paid for service with the FareShare organisation to provide the food for our parcels.

Throughout the year, we provided food parcels to our community containing a combined total of 40,000 meals.



Local cooked food

We have become increasingly aware of the increased numbers of people living in sheltered housing in our community, either staying at hostels, hallway houses or in temporary accommodation, but with no means to cook for themselves. We also work closely with several local food banks to identify those members of our community who may be struggling to support themselves with fresh food or risking malnutrition. With this in mind, during 2022 we started a cooked food program, delivering freshly cooked ready meals on a bi-weekly basis to those people most in need in the community.



Uganda aid mission

Throughout 2022, we initiated an aid program Uganda and to date have built 2 x new water wells, reinstated 5 x non-functional water wells and delivered a wide range of shorter-term aid to help the community of Jinja. Recognising the dire need of aid in Uganda, which has an overwhelming proportion of the population living under the global extreme poverty line, we decided to conduct an aid mission to the country in November, delivering long life food, sanitary products and mosquito nets to some of the poorest members of the region.

We completed our aid mission in 5 days, distributing over 100,000 meals worth of long-life food parcels in addition to education materials for the local children and the establishment of several longer-term sustainability projects which we aim to fulfil during 2023.



Water

Over 500 water facilities, including hand pumps and water wells, have been installed by Al-Fikr benefiting over 10,000 people in underprivileged and destitute villages. 790 million people lack access to clean water. Regrettably, this is reality of 40% of the world's population. Al-Fikr charity continues to work with some of the world's most disadvantaged and water-stressed populations, including Tanzania, Pakistan, and India, to provide accessible, safe, and clean water. We are on a continuous mission to break this poverty cycle around the most disadvantaged areas in the world.



Ramadan 2022

At Al-Fikr it is our desire to help alleviate food poverty in the UK and worldwide. During the holy month of Ramadan in 2022, we were able to accomplish this locally by feeding over 3000 people living in poverty and assisting the homeless. Foods parcels were provided which contained approximately 7 meals, large enough to support a small family. Hot cooked meals, warm clothes, sanitary products and other essential items on an ad hoc basis including tents and sleeping bags were provided for the homeless. We were able to distribute food and water internationally across 10 countries providing over 150,000 meals to widows, orphans and those who were most in need. We conducted aid missions to Africa, India and Pakistan to help support and deliver aid directly to the hands of our struggling brothers and sisters.



Achievements and Performances

Al-Fikr achieved the following success in its performance as a charitable organization in the year 2021-2022.

Local Food Parcels: The charity achieved the expansion of the local food parcel project, supporting an average of 40 local families per week facing food poverty. They provided a total of 40,000 meals through donations and partnerships with FareShare.

Local Cooked Food: Al-Fikr successfully initiated a cooked food program to cater to individuals in sheltered housing, hostels, and temporary accommodation. They deliver freshly cooked ready meals bi-weekly to address food accessibility and malnutrition concerns.

Uganda Aid Mission: The charity accomplished an aid mission in Uganda, building two new water wells and restoring five non-functional wells. They distributed over 100,000 meals worth of long-life food parcels, provided education materials to local children, and established sustainability projects for the future.

This was all possible due to the generous donors and donations, which enabled al Al-Fikr to make a significant impact in addressing food poverty and providing vital support to communities in need, both locally and internationally.

Financial Review

The charity received sum of **£90,079** in donations from various sources.

Funds in Deficit:

No funds are in deficit at the balance sheet.


Funds in Surplus:

The funds are in surplus by **£51,186** at the balance sheet.

Small Company Provisions:

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to small companies' exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 03rd June, 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


Signature:
Name: Umar Manzoor
Position: Chair
Date: 03/06/2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 22 OCT 2021 TO 21 OCT 2022 TO THE TRUSTEES

I report on the accounts for the period 22nd October 2021 to 21st October 2022 set out below.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the period (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements have not been met;
- or
- (2) To which. In my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent Examiner



Signature: Mr Dawood Masood AFA, MIPA

Date: 03/06/2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Al-Fikr

No (if any)
1180406

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 22-10-2021	To	Period end date 21-10-2022
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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	56,073	12,911	-	68,984	102,090
Gift Aid	21,095	-	-	21,095	224
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	77,168	12,911	-	90,079	102,314
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	77,168	12,911	-	90,079	102,314
A3 Payments					
Charitable Activities	21,817	44,902	-	66,719	66,955
Governance Cost	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000
Admin Cost	7,393	-	-	7,393	25,727
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	30,210	44,902	-	75,112	93,682
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	30,210	44,902	-	75,112	93,682
Net of receipts/(payments)	46,958	- 31,991	-	14,967	8,632
A5 Transfers between funds	- 31,991	31,991	-	-	27,587
A6 Cash funds last year end	36,219	-	-	36,219	-
Cash funds this year end	51,186	-	-	51,186	36,219

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	Cash in hand & at bank	51,186	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	51,186	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Umar Manzoor	03/06/2023