

COMPANY CHARITY NUMBER: 1180406
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: CE015435



AL FIKR

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD
22 OCTOBER 2022 TO 21 OCTOBER 2023**

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 2022/2023. 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 2022 to 21st October 2023.

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 Zib Atkins	Trustee	- appointed 01.11.23
Mr Nassar Hussain	Trustee	- appointed 01.11.23

Independent Examiner

Quba Accountancy Limited
14 Mayne Avenue
Luton,
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Principal Bank

Lloyds Bank
Lloyds Court
Milton Keynes
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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.

Reflecting on 2023, Al-Fikr's vision to alleviate suffering amidst enduring global challenges has notably intensified. This year, our initiatives have not only persisted but have also expanded in scope and impact, thanks to your continued support.

Within our community, we've continued our commitment to provide support to those struggling with food poverty, extending our local food parcel service to provide sustenance to approximately 200 individuals each week. These parcels have become a critical lifeline, especially for families facing the stark reality of choosing between heating and eating. In the winter months, our campaign to distribute warm clothing and blankets helped safeguard our community against the cold, ensuring warmth and comfort when they were most needed. The 50,000 meals we have delivered locally signify more than food; they symbolise hope and the continued presence of communal support in times of need and have been gratefully received and appreciated by all our service users.

The continuation of our cooked food program has offered another beacon of stability for those living in hostels, hotels or without the means to cook for themselves. This program has been a testament to our belief that no individual should face the night uncertain of where their next meal will come from.

Our youth engagement activities have taken a front seat in our strategy help ensure we provide a positive impact on the younger generation. We've worked specifically with deprived areas to offer

teenagers meaningful activities, aiming to divert their energy and potential from the hazards of street life into avenues that promise a better future. These programs have given local youth the tools to build self-esteem, develop life skills, and forge connections within their communities.

On an international scale, our horizons have broadened to now include Kenya, Tanzania, and Zanzibar. Here, our work goes beyond mere aid—it's about establishing sustainable solutions to poverty. By constructing new water wells and repairing existing ones, we've brought simple facility of clean water to thousands, fundamentally changing community health outcomes and preventing the spread of waterborne diseases. Our distributed long-life food parcels have provided a buffer against hunger, while our support for orphans and orphanages has instilled a sense of family and security in the lives of the most vulnerable.

Our ongoing commitment in Uganda and Pakistan has evolved with significant milestones. In Uganda, the inception of a 100-child orphanage and school stands as a beacon of education and sanctuary. Women's empowerment projects in Uganda, such as training in sewing and soap-making, have begun reshaping the local economic landscape, enabling women to earn a sustainable income for their families avoiding the need for children to be working to support the family.

In Pakistan, the completion of our women's sewing school not only equips women with skills but also imbues them with the confidence to contribute economically to their households.

As we look ahead to 2024, the challenges that lie ahead are matched only by the opportunity for impact.

Each initiative, meal provided, well-constructed, and life empowered contributes to a collective vision of a world free from suffering. Your continued support is the foundation upon which this vision is built and realised.

Financial Review

The charity received sum of **£148,117** 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 **£62,145** 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 04th April, 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


Signature:
Name: Umar Manzoor
Position: Chair
Date: 04/04/2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 22 OCT 2022 TO 21 OCT 2023 TO THE TRUSTEES

I report on the accounts for the period 22nd October 2022 to 21st October 2023 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: 08/04/2024

 <div>CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES</div>	Charity name		No (if any)		CC16a
	Al Fikr		1180406		
	Receipts and payments accounts				
	For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date	
	22-Oct-22		21-Oct-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					
Donation	107,043	14,331	-	121,374	68,984
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	107,043	14,331	-	121,374	68,984
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	107,043	14,331	-	121,374	68,984
A3 Payments					
Charitable Activities	2,000	80,860	-	82,860	43,641
Administrative expense	39,332	-	-	39,332	30,471
Governance cost	-	-	-	-	1,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	41,332	80,860	-	122,192	75,113
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments					
Net of receipts/(payments)	92,455	-66,529	-	25,926	14,966
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	51,185	36,219
A6 Cash funds last year end					
Cash funds this year end	92,455	-66,529	-	77,111	51,185

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
B1 Cash funds	Cash in hand & at Bank	128,674	-88,529	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total Cash funds	128,674	-88,529	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK


	Details	Unrestricted funds To nearest £	Restricted funds To nearest £	Endowment funds To nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Funds to which assets belong	Cost (Optional)	Current value (Optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Funds to which assets belong	Cost (Optional)	Current value (Optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Funds to which liability belong	Amount due (Optional)	When due (Optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Umar Manzoor	04/04/2024

