

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1185566

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Introduction

The Prophet Muhammad said: 'Feed the hungry.' – Narrated by Imam Bukhari

Sufi Abdullah Khan (ra) came to the UK in 1962 and for the past 63 years, Sufi Sahib, his descendants and followers have worked to meet the various needs of Allah's creation down to the very basics such as a daily meal.

Sufi Abdullah Foundation has categorised Sufi Sahib's work into three broad objectives and we work to achieve them to continue his legacy.

We are a non-governmental, non-profit, non-political organisation registered with the Charities Commission (England and Wales) to continue Sufi Sahib's legacy in serving to help the spiritual and material well being and comfort of all those in need.

Our charity work is funded with 100% donations and the sincere voluntary work of our team.

In 2023 and with your continued support and generous donations, we worked to support our community through the cost of living challenges and served thousands of people in dire need across the UK and the world.

This report offers an overview of how we worked to achieve our objectives.

1. Advancement of Islam

2. Education

3. Relieving poverty

1. Advancement of Islam

a. Milad

On 17th September 2023, we held our 52nd annual procession. We walked the paths which had been set by Sufi Sahib since 1973 and concluded at Ameer – e – Millet Masjid at Shakespeare Street. Many scholars and lovers of the Prophet attended the event from across the UK.

b. Urs

2023 marked 62 years since Sufi Abdullah Khan (ra) began the annual Urs gathering of Naqshbandi Khawajghan in the UK. Due to the unprecedented weather conditions, we celebrated the Urs at the Maqaam of Sufi Sahib (ra) on 13th February 2023 which also coincided with eight years since his passing. Many mureeds and devotees of Sufi Sahib were in attendance and took part in the prayers.

c. Dhikr / Ghiyarvi Sharif

Our weekly Dhikr gathering which is the UK's longest and consistent gathering continued throughout this year. These gatherings take place every Saturday at 8pm at our masjid on Warwick Road.

We also held the monthly Ghiyarvi Sharif events throughout the year and invited various local Ulama who have supported Sufi Sahib's work since the 1970s to speak about Islam, Sufism and contemporary challenges faced by our community. We have received excellent feedback from our community for this.

d. Dalail ul Khayrat

Every Monday, the 201 names of the Prophet Muhammad compiled by Imam al-Jazuli are recited at the Maqaam of Sufi Abdullah Sahib (ra) and the gathering is concluded with a recitation of Durood Taj and a special dua for the Ummah and our beneficiaries who request prayers.

e. Laylat ul Bara'ah

We held our 38th annual Laylatul Bara'ah (Night of Deliverance) event where our students recited the entire Qur'an from the Maqaam of Hadrat Sufi Abdullah Khan (ra).

f. Daily prayers, Jummah and Taraweeh

The Masjid has continued to serve the community for the daily prayers, Taraweeh and Jummah. Many of our current and former students have taken part in leading prayers. The Masjid has offered space for local families to conduct Khatms and Duas for their deceased.

g. Moonsighting

Each month, our team of dedicated volunteers go out and attempt to sight the moon. Our moon sighting announcements are followed by a number of Masjids and organisations across the country.

2. Education

a. Adult classes

Every Saturday, Shaykh Muhammad Danyaal delivered lessons on Seerah and Shamail and to date, he has delivered numerous lectures.

Molana Dr Hafiz Atiq ur Rahman continued to deliver online Arabic classes.

b. Monthly Discourses

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Each monthly event includes two lectures; one in Urdu and one in English. These lectures are titled according to the events of educational importance for our community. We invite subject matter experts to deliver talks on how our community can apply teachings in their daily lives. Our attendees numbers have now exceeded our maximum capacity and people are asking for additional space.

c. Hifz classes

Hifz classes continued throughout the year and we have approximately 30 students and one student graduated.

3. Relieving poverty

a. Housing Advice

This year, due to local concerns exacerbated by the cost of living crisis, Shelter entered a partnership with with us as Sparkhill is an area of high deprivation. We provided expert housing advice and guidance to people facing poor housing conditions or homelessness. Previously Shelter were unable to connect effectively with the South Asian community; and our partnership bridged this gap.

We hosted monthly one-to-one housing advice clinics for our beneficiaries, who came from across Birmingham. Through this partnership with Shelter, we empowered hundreds of people facing a range of housing issues, from temporary accommodation to homelessness. We also began translating six key Shelter documents into Urdu and Bengali and we continued this collaboration throughout 2024.

b. Household Support Fund Grant Due to our extensive reach within the community, several organisations entered partnerships with us to support local residents. A key highlight of our collaborative efforts was being selected by the Birmingham Voluntary Service Council as a Trusted Partner to administer the Household Support Fund to vulnerable households in Birmingham. The grant provided £200 per household to help with energy and food costs, which was crucial during the cost of living crisis.

c. Place of Warm Welcome To combat loneliness and people sitting in the cold at home, each week people are able to attend and sit for a few hours at Sufi Abdullah Foundation. Over a cup of tea, they can speak with our team or with other members of the community. Many people, especially the elderly have mentioned that they appreciate these session feel mentally better. We also provide guidance by signposting to organisations who can assist with particular issues such as debt management, mental health and domestic abuse.

d. Laptops We offer laptops to the community. This service is free of charge and has been a means of people overcoming issues with finding employment, accessing benefits, and locating food banks.

There are a number of other projects which we can do, some in partnership with other organisations, however we are confined by the space we have.

e. Turkey Sufi Abdullah Foundation served hot meals and blankets for the victims of the earthquakes in which over 2000 people lost their lives and hundreds of thousands were displaced.

f. Madinah, Syria, and Afghanistan During Ramadhan, food parcels were distributed to families on a daily basis. The intervention left a positive impact and provided timely assistance to hundreds of families.

g. Palestine We worked with Medical Aid for Palestinians to deliver free meals in South Gaza. Thanks to your kind donations we helped donate towards MAP in serving 31,100 meals to thousands of families in December.

h. Pakistan Our generous beneficiaries made a significant impact on the lives of those in need in Lahore. We were able to establish a feeding program near Data Darbar, providing daily meals to hundreds of people.

i. Qurbani Each year, millions of Muslims fulfil the Sunnah of the Prophet Ibrahim (alayhis Salaam). Alhamdulillah, we are honoured to serve and assist you in fulfilling this obligation each year. All the Qurbani orders we received this year were performed in Tanzania where many people only have access to meat at this time of year. Videos and photos were shared with the donors.

j. Sadqa and Aqiqah sacrifices On behalf of our beneficiaries we performed many Sadqa and Aqiqah sacrifices in Tanzania. Each sacrifice serves 50 meals and we have noted that these communities only have access to meat through overseas donations like these.

k. General sadqa/Zakat We distributed Sadqa and Zakat donations throughout the year.

Closing remarks

The work we carried out this year was entirely due to your ongoing donations, support and encouragement. We hope to continue our work to serve as many people locally and internationally as possible.

We ask Allah to accept everyone's donations and increase blessings in your wealth.

We ask Allah to include everyone in His Promise to recompense each and every donor and to include all the beneficiaries of Sufi Abdullah Foundation.

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Report of the Trustees

for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a charitable incorporated organisation.

Reference and administrative details

Registered Charity number

1185566

Principal address

38 Warwick Road

Sparkhill

Birmingham

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Trustees

Independent Examiner

CWP Accountants & Tax Advisors


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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29/10/24 and signed on its behalf by:


M H Akhtar - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Sufi Abdullah Foundation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Sufi Abdullah Foundation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Sufi Abdullah Foundation (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 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').

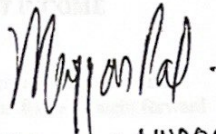
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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 no concerns and 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.



CWP Accountants (WAQQAS PAL)
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 30/10/2024

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	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.12.23 Total funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £
Income and endowments from					
Donations and legacies		110,227	110,149	220,376	218,244
Other income		24,486	-	24,486	64,722
Total		<u>134,713</u>	<u>110,149</u>	<u>244,862</u>	<u>282,966</u>
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		646	1,750	2,396	95,976
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		59,875	107,898	167,773	52,141
Other		-	-	-	7,294
Total		<u>60,521</u>	<u>109,648</u>	<u>170,169</u>	<u>155,411</u>
NET INCOME		<u>74,192</u>	<u>501</u>	<u>74,693</u>	<u>127,555</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		37,997	84,705	122,702	(4,853)
Total funds carried forward		<u>112,189</u>	<u>85,206</u>	<u>197,395</u>	<u>122,702</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

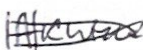
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Balance Sheet

31 December 2023

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.12.23 Total funds £	31.12.22 Total funds £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5	154,029	-	154,029	-
Current assets					
Cash at bank		41,318	85,206	126,524	203,932
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(3,158)	-	(3,158)	(1,230)
Net current assets		38,160	85,206	123,366	202,702
Total assets less current liabilities		192,189	85,206	277,395	202,702
Creditors					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	(80,000)	-	(80,000)	(80,000)
NET ASSETS		112,189	85,206	197,395	122,702
Funds	9				
Unrestricted funds				112,189	37,997
Restricted funds				85,206	84,705
Total funds				197,395	122,702

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
and were signed on its behalf by:


MH Akhtar - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property - in accordance with the property

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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3. Staff costs

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Staff	207,442	31,12,23
	(£ 14,500)	2

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

4. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
Income and endowments from			
Donations and legacies	84,808	133,436	218,244
Other income	64,722	-	64,722
Total	149,530	133,436	282,966
Expenditure on			
Raising funds	95,976	-	95,976
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	3,410	48,731	52,141
Other	7,294	-	7,294
Total	106,680	48,731	155,411
NET INCOME	42,850	84,705	127,555
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	(4,853)	-	(4,853)
Total funds carried forward	37,997	84,705	122,702

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5. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
Cost			
Additions	267,443	1,150	268,593
Disposals	(114,564)	-	(114,564)
At 31 December 2023	152,879	1,150	154,029
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	152,879	1,150	154,029
At 31 December 2022	-	-	-

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Trade creditors	2,189	-
Other creditors	969	1,230
Total	3,158	1,230

7. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

The charity has received an interest-free loan of £100,000 on 19th November 2020.

8. Loans

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable otherwise than by instalments:		
Other loans more 5yrs non-inst	80,000	80,000
Total	80,000	80,000

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9. Movement in funds

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	37,997	74,192	112,189
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	84,705	501	85,206
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>122,702</u>	<u>74,693</u>	<u>197,395</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,713	(60,521)	74,192
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	110,149	(109,648)	501
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>244,862</u>	<u>(170,169)</u>	<u>74,693</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(4,853)	42,850	37,997
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	84,705	84,705
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,853)</u>	<u>127,555</u>	<u>122,702</u>

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9. Movement in funds - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	149,530	(106,680)	42,850
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	133,436	(48,731)	84,705
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>282,966</u>	<u>(155,411)</u>	<u>127,555</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(4,853)	117,042	112,189
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	-	85,206	85,206
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(4,853)</u>	<u>202,248</u>	<u>197,395</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	284,243	(167,201)	117,042
Restricted funds			
Restricted funds	243,585	(158,379)	85,206
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>527,828</u>	<u>(325,580)</u>	<u>202,248</u>

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10. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

	2023	2022
Income and expenses		
Donations - (Income)	75,775	54,787
Donations - Relief work	65,720	117,128
Matchmaking fees	11,230	1,806
Grants	35,747	-
Gift Aid income	35,511	1,472
	<u>203,083</u>	<u>275,293</u>
Other income		
Gain on sale of surplus fixed assets	24,485	62,722
Total income received	<u>227,568</u>	<u>338,015</u>
Expenditure		
Other trading activities		
Material expenses	345	49
Organisational costs expenses	1,005	472
	<u>1,350</u>	<u>521</u>
Charitable activities		
Charitable donations	185,505	42,147
Support costs		
Management		
Staff wages	13,162	13,124
IT software & consumables	1,570	119
Legal fees, rates	1,717	1,475
Postage	1,249	1,636
Telephone	1,402	1,495
Advertising	1,763	1,617
Bank fees	1,451	33
Subscriptions	354	427
Repairs and maintenance	1,157	25,604
	<u>31,382</u>	<u>43,535</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	1,036	519
Government grants		
Administrative and legal fees	24,485	1,484

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	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Donations - General	79,578	84,160
Donations - Relief work	65,733	117,336
Madrasah fees	11,310	14,836
Grants	28,542	-
Gift Aid income	35,213	1,912
	<u>220,376</u>	<u>218,244</u>
Other income		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	24,486	64,722
	<u>244,862</u>	<u>282,966</u>
Total incoming resources		
Expenditure		
Other trading activities		
Masjid expenses	340	48
Organisational work expenses	2,056	472
	<u>2,396</u>	<u>520</u>
Charitable activities		
Charitable donations	107,898	52,141
Support costs		
Management		
Staff wages	13,882	13,124
IT software & consumables	3,570	119
Light, heat, rates	1,712	1,478
Insurance	1,399	1,638
Telephone	1,402	1,495
Advertising	1,753	1,817
Sundries	1,691	83
Subscriptions	394	427
Repairs and renewals	8,189	75,995
	<u>33,992</u>	<u>96,176</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	1,076	918
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	24,807	5,656

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	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Total resources expended	170,169	155,411
Net income	74,693	127,555

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