



UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY

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Reference & Administration Details

Charity Details:

Name(s): UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY

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Address: Room 309 Balfour House, 741 High Road, London, N12 0BP

Names of the Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity

| Trustee Name | Office | Appointed | Resigned |
|--------------------|--------|-----------|----------|
| Maira Aisaeva | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Shukhrat Issabayev | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Kerim Zair | N/A | N/A | N/A |

Names & Addresses of Advisors:

| Role | Name | Address |
|------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Bank | CashPlus | 6, London Wall, London EC2Y 5EB |

Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document:

Constitution

How the Charity is Constituted:

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Selection Methods:

Any gaps identified in the knowledge and expertise of the existing Trustees is used to identify the preferred characteristics of new Trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration and management of UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY. All potential

trustees must have a formal interview with the existing Trustees to understand their motivation to be appointed and their skills and experience.

How New Trustees are Inducted and Trained:

All new Trustees will be provided with a copy of the Governing Document (Constitution) and the most recent Trustees' Annual Report & Financial Statements (if available). In addition, they will also be provided the 'Fundamental Principles of the UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY', which is a document

that sets out the 8 values and principles of UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY including: Integrity, Open-mindedness, Respect, Innovation, Loyalty, Excellence, Positivity, and Independence. This ensures that all trustees understand the values that UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY stands for and what is expected of everyone involved with UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY.

Objects

The Charity will aim to save Uyghur identity, culture, heritage, customs & traditions, language and history. Will introduce Uyghur culture, history and social values to the world and bring forward all the difficulties they are facing due to violations of their human rights in East Turkistan. Will organize community events, seasonal Uyghur language school and publication of educational magazine.

Statutory Declaration on Public Benefit

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

Activities, Achievements & Performance

The Pandemic has given a chance to our Charity to re-assess its values, objectives, and aspirations.

Since March 2021 UK Community had been looking forward to setting the board panel with members that would run the community. In November 2021 as a result of the election the community had chosen a president of the community and board members. Later in November 2021 the community opened a London based Uyghur School which is located in Enfield.

The very first in person event was organised for the National Day of East Turkistan that the community celebrates on 12 of November each year. The purpose of the event was to introduce the guest and the young generation the history of the established two governments of East Turkistan 1930s and 1940s. To introduce to our children the generation that fought for us and that we must keep the history of our ancestors.

This event was repeated on 12/11/2022

The next event we held was the New year (01/01/2022) that we also celebrate every year on 01 January. The new year and the beginning helps us to build plans for the rest of the years and spread roles across the selected board. Financial review has also taken plan to budget the expenses for the London Uyghur school

The following event also happens each year on 5th of February. It was the Ghulja Massacre 1997. Each year the community commemorates the event and the people (relatives, friends) who died in the massacre by holding a protest outside the Chinese Embassy. There expenses occur to print relevant posters, information and cost of travel.

On 21 February (happened in 2022 and 2023) The community celebrated the International Language day. To preserve the Uyghur language - mother tongue, we have been working hard to keep our London Ughur language school (LULS) running. To make sure our children lurch their mother tongue and literature. The LULS will be participating in the Uyghur Language Cultural event in Berlin in April 2023. We have set a group of students and teachers for the event and all plans on travels are in arrangements.

It is very important for us to save out language as the ongoing Uyghur genocide destroys all literary work in Uyghur. There have been no books left on the language curriculum in Uyghur language as all has been erased back in East Turkistan. The Uyghur teachers in exile have been working hard to create a curriculum on Uyghur language that all Uygur children across the globe could use. Once it's ready the LULS will be registered to the programme too.

The LULS is not only open to the UK Uyghur Community. We have been trying to encourage other communities to join the school for a smaller fee. We have been unable to run it for free due to resources but are willing to fundraise or find a stable donor to facilitate the language course for others. We have been having expenses for stationary and printing facilities. There are 3 teachers who run the school. They are all volunteers. DBS checkers carried out.

The Community for the first time celebrated 8th of March 2023 International women's day. As part of the programme we have been aiming to educate our next generation on what famous, brave and dedicated women there in Uyghur history and at present the Uyghur Nation have. We have been also invited to the International Women's day celebrating programme by Barnet Council. We had a stall there where we presented some items that belong to our culture and identity. One of our community members has been chosen as an inspirational person and their picture was published on a stand.

Every year in March the Uyghur community, along with the other Central Asian Nations, celebrates Nowruz - The arrival of spring and new year. (the last event was held March 2022). We dress up in our traditional clothing, singing songs, and poems. Children perform little sciences from Uyghur films. We explain what the Nowroz is about, we invite lots of guests from other communities to treat with our traditional delicious food (such as Polo) as well as desserts. The community is also invited every year to the Main quad of UCL to celebrate and participate with other Central Asian countries. We have been performing on the stage with beautiful Uyghur Dances, songs that were presented by our talented young Uyghur man. We are able to present our culture and prove our existence and a nation with a

rich and beautiful culture and traditions. Last year we were selling different stuff including souvenirs, books, clothes, toys and it all was in a very traditional Uyghur style, patterned with an Etles- the traditional authentic, ethno -fabric. We have been able to present our Food stall to the Uyghur restaurant owner who is part of the community. They have been presenting live the preparation of an Uyghur dish called Leghmen. It was very fascinating and captured by many media.

For the last two years just after we celebrated Nowroz it was time for Ramadan. Last year during April 2022 we were fasting. During the holy fasting months the community gathers together at LULS and we have Iftars there. We teach our children praying, the meaning of Ramadan and more importantly, we have been able to share our food among us and those who are in need most. During this period we organize a fundraising which might be Fitr or Zakat that also helps as a contribution to the Charity to maintain and carry on with the needs. At the end of the fasting period we organize a big event for the whole community with presents for children and to celebrate the festive season as Eid. The same celebrations we organize for the second Eid in the year which comes after 70 after the Ramadan.

On 05 of May each year we Uyghurs celebrate the Doppa Day - Uyghur traditional hat worn by men and women. It comes in very colorful, bright patterns and is hand made. The Doppa is an irreplaceable part of the Uyghur identity. We all, including kids, are wearing Doppa on the day and telling stories about it, showing fashionable presentations, dancing and end up eating traditional food. This year we are planning to hold it on May 19th or 21 with other communities that have similar or same stories of traditional headdress.

At the end of June we close our LULS for the summer holiday and organize a trip to the cinema, forest or other places where the parents and children have interest to go to.

Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves

Currently, the charity operates digitally with the help from volunteers. This means there are minimal costs associated with the running of the charity. All associated software and IT costs are predictable as they are incurred on an annual subscription basis. Therefore, there is no charity policy on reserves. As UK UYGHUR COMMUNITY expands to offer physical projects, an appropriate Reserve Policy will be implemented.

Details of Any Funds Materially in Deficit

The Trustees declare that the charity had no funds which were materially in deficit at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

State of the Charity's Finances

The main sources of income for the charity is donations by Trustees and the general public. The only source of expenditure was donation to Uyghur Tribunal.

There are no Restricted or Designated Funds.

Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by the Charity

The Trustees declare that the charity has given no guarantee where potential liability is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt

The Trustees declare that the charity has no outstanding debts which are secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the charity at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the above report and authorised that it be signed on their behalf.

Accounts

| Account | Amount |
|-----------------|------------|
| Donations | £7,000.26 |
| School Rent | -£1,855.00 |
| Venue Rent | -£634.00 |
| Other Expenses | -£2,149.25 |
| Net Of Receipts | £2,362.01 |