

## Arakhan Rohingya Organisation UK

### **Trustees Annual Report and Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2025 .**

The trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2025 and confirm that it complies with the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Reference and Administrative Information**

**Charity Name:** Arakhan Rohingya Organisation UK

**Charity Registration Number:** 1190894

**Principal Office:** 41 Saint Michaels Road  
Bradford  
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#### **Board of Trustees**

Mr. Deen Muhammad Noori

Mrs. Arefa Begum

Mr. Mohammed Rashid

#### **Principal Administrator**

Deen Muhammad Noori

# **Arakhan Rohingya Organisation UK**

## **Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2025**

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

Arakhan Rohingya Organisation is constituted as a CIO charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020 under charity number 11-90-894. It is governed by a charity's CIO constitution documents that outlines how the charity operates, detailing the rules for trustees, membership, and how the charity's assets will be managed and distributed, particularly in the event of dissolution. The charity constitution was last updated last updated on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

#### **Charitable Objects**

The relief and assistance of people in any part of the world, including but not exclusively, The Arakhan Rohingya Region of Myanmar who are the victims of war or natural disaster, trouble or catastrophe in particular by the supply of food parcels and medical aid to such persons.

#### **Organisational structure**

The charity trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. The trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other financial benefits.

The trustees meet together as a body monthly and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to running of the charity in community and assess the requirements and need of communities and provide facilities and the activities .The assistance is provided locally ,nationally and internationally in any part of the world including but not exclusively The Arakan Rohingya region of Myanmar who are victims of war ,natural disaster by supplying of food parcels and basic medical aid to people available to all minority ethnic regardless of different religion belief of the individuals .

The day-to-day management of local events based on education and community facilities involving books/toys to children are ongoing projects are usually organised by to volunteer members of community.

#### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment of new trustees but in so doing the trustees seek the views and recommendations of both elders and community leaders. The trustees believe this approach ensures that new trustees are respected members of the faith and local communities and ensures that good relations are fostered between the Mosque and the people of the local community that we serve.

In selecting new trustees, we seek to identify people who regularly attend events and functions organised by the charity and are willing to volunteer to help in our broader community work. Potential trustees are invited to attend trustees' meetings as observers and are given more details of the charity's aims and activities and, if all agree, they are then proposed as new trustees at the subsequent trustees' meeting. This process allows due consideration of the person's eligibility, personal competence, specialist knowledge and skills.

### **Induction and training of trustees**

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their new role and given copies of the charity constitution and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also provided including the guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of the public benefit. This ensures that new trustees are aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act. Initially, new trustees work with an existing trustee assisting on particular activities and projects run by the charity. After satisfactory feedback from existing trustees, they are then given the task of leading a particular activity or project, reporting progress at trustees' meetings.

### **Risk management**

The trustees have assessed the risks the charity faces and have drawn up a risk matrix which identifies the major risks by area of activity, the nature of those risks, the likelihood of the risks happening and the measures taken to manage them. The trustees review this risk matrix regularly at their meetings and at meetings of the two subcommittees on finance and buildings. The trustees are satisfied that systems are in place, or arrangements are in hand, to manage the risks that have been identified. In particular, insurance cover is in place and the finances of the Mosque are kept under review. Appropriate Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) checks, supported by regularly reviewed policies, are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the Mosques or community centre or an even gathering at different locations.

### **Objectives and activities**

#### **Our aims**

The objects of the charity are set out in the charity's constitution deed and are summarised as follows:

- To advance the betterment for the benefit of the public of all age groups in particular through the holding community events particularly around religious festivals other community meetings, lectures to bring awareness of different local, national and international issues. This helps communities to understand the local issues that can help vulnerable member of communities to stay safe and this provides the opportunity to discuss any significant events of exploitation and fear generally. The frequent public gathering allows us to listen to community concerns and bring people of different faith and religious back ground by celebrating religious & cultural festivals. This brings great opportunity to distribute literature, toys, books to enlighten others and to make community aware of current issues locally and internationally. This also provides opportunity to raise charity funds to help others with funds., and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare to vulnerable.

### **Our objectives**

Our objectives are set to reflect our commitment to community at large. Each year our trustees review our objectives and activities to ensure they continue to reflect our aims. In carrying out this review the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its supplementary public guidance on the advancement public benefit to local communities from all ethnic background.

Our dual aims remain to provide a facility to specifically more vulnerable such as old age, children from all communities' background by providing food parcels, books and toys particularly to children. Our long-term ambition is to build the self-confidence of in their social wellbeing, and through our community facilities and activities help make community to come forward and this will help develop a peaceful, vibrant and harmonious community.

### **Strategies**

We want to make our religious centres from all faiths an accessible and welcoming venue where all religious and non-religious can gather together to learn about the help and support, we provide to all age groups. We are also fortunate to have facilities for women who want to discuss any issues of domestic abuse or any concern that they might have about their relatives or immediate family abroad. We also organise day out trips to allow people to enjoy and relax the mind for their well-being and mental health and to achieve a better social integration by sharing their thoughts and experiences. This helps individuals to achieve inner peace and overall helps communities to grow economically at local and national level.

### **Use of volunteers**

Volunteers are an important resource in community work. We encourage all members of our community to be involved in voluntary activities and to share their skills with others.

### **Activities and achievements**

#### **How our activities deliver public benefit**

The charity carries out a wide range of activities in pursuance of its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide benefit both to those who attend at our chosen location usually local community centres, or any religious worship places such as mosques, church depending on accessibility and availability.

**Festivals:** The Mosque prepares food during Ramadan for those attending Mosque who wish to break their fast together or we provided food parcels during Covid19 open all public in need. Eid was also celebrated at community centres and further food parcels and toys and books to children were distributed to those families that are usually otherwise not afford to purchases.

### **Safe Recruitment**

AROUK is committed to recruiting staff, volunteers and other representatives safely. All

application forms, interviews and references must address Safeguarding and equality requirements and attitudes in line with the Recruitment Policy. Recruitment for all applicants to roles supervising Adult at Risk Volunteers or working directly with child beneficiaries must follow Safeguarding Adults Guidelines, particularly that:

All applicants must be asked to disclose all criminal convictions in keeping with the parameters of local employment law;

We are not able to offer volunteering opportunities to anyone with spent or unspent convictions for sexual offences or any form of vulnerable adult abuse;

During their inductions, adults at risk must be told who is responsible for their safety and how to raise concerns. Managers must ensure appropriate supervision arrangements are clearly set out and agreed in advance with each person who will supervise adult at risk volunteers.

### **Training**

All AROUK staff and other representatives must receive training on Safeguarding Adults commensurate with their role. This training will be carried out by specialists on a regular basis and will include information about AROUK policy positions, reporting and investigation procedures, and how embed Adult Safeguarding across the organisation. Overall responsibility for ensuring that staff receives regular training and messages about Safeguarding lies with managers. Adults at Risk require training to ensure that their capabilities and competencies are at a level where they can operate without putting themselves and others at risk.

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The safeguarding procedures and policies cover all aspects of individuals safety that provides protection to beneficiaries as well as to Trustees and partner. The safeguarding provides help to understand to avoid any conflict of interest and how to deal with them in case something arises. Trustees have also read guidance on charity website and considered other online searches to complete the safe guarding policies.

With safeguarding policies Trustees believe that it provides frame work to work in safe environment and that partners and volunteers are confident and satisfied with their role to provide as much help as possible for the benefits of beneficiaries.

All staff including trustees are checked against immigration rule that they are allowed to work in UK and potential employee or volunteers are also checked for their identity, right to work in UK with further documentary evidence such as fixed address for last three months such as utility bill, bank statements or driving. License. DBS is also considered to rule out any criminal convictions

## **Financial review**

### **Reserves policy**

The trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charity. Their policy is to hold enough funds to meet any future charities activities in order to meet charity's objectives.

### **Investment policy and objectives**

The charity has no long-term investments. Our cash reserves are held in charity current bank account.

### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing an annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the CIO. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees for the purposes of charity law who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Deen Muhammed Noori









