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MUSLIM FUTURES

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Freeda Yousaf	
	Naveed Siddique	(Resigned 5 th November 2022)
	Salma Haq	
	Saud Khan	(Resigned 5 th November 2022)
	Ummar Yousaf	
Charity number	1191868	
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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31st July 2023.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 to the Financial Statements and comply with the charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "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 1st January 2019).

Objectives and Activities

The Muslim Futures vision continues to be centred on the concept of the alleviation of poverty and hardship through education and learning for all, where opportunities are created for personal development, self-empowerment, and societal improvement.

To fulfil this vision, Muslim Futures has established its Aims and Objectives as 'Objects' as defined in the amended Constitution. The Objects of the charity are,

"The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship, the relief of sickness, and the advancement of education anywhere in the world as the Trustees deem fit by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty, relieve sickness, or advance education."

There has been no change in these during the year.

In delivering these Objects, Muslim Futures continues to work with communities across the UK and internationally, in providing education, literacy, skills and training opportunities through support, development, sponsorship and empowerment, with a specific emphasis on child development, juvenile and youth support and supporting the sick, disabled, homeless, widowed, and orphaned.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding which activities the charity should undertake.

During 2022-2023, Muslim Futures carried out many activities in conjunction with one or more partner organisations. Some are listed below:

- Extensive and co-ordinated food-pack distribution to needy communities across multiple locations across Afghanistan and Pakistan.
- Sacrifice (Qurbani) meat / food distribution in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Palestine, Uganda, and Yemen.
- Hot food distribution programmes in hospitals in Pakistan, the poor and needy in Afghanistan.
- Child & Orphan Sponsorship programmes in Tanzania.
- Education support for a local charitable trust in Ilford, Essex to help develop a religious teaching programme for its youth.
- Welfare & Dignity programme to support female empowerment through the provision of training and micro-finance opportunities in a vocation skills centre in Pakistan.
- Provision of sewing machine kits and home-tailoring packs to widows and dispossessed women.
- Liaised with local charities to share children's Eid gifts in Afghanistan, Palestine, and Yemen.
- Provision of household level water installations to rural, poor, and needy communities in Pakistan.
- Construction and installation of a water RO plant in south Punjab, Pakistan serving over 10,000 people in a water scarce community.

Achievements and Performance

For a small charity with a limited income and a small core donor membership, achievements can often be difficult to quantify. With so many worthy causes, each donation is very highly regarded, and every penny spent is carefully considered. Despite this the Trustees are pleased to share some successes here;

- A total of £82,504 raised in voluntary income in 2022-2023.
- £16,087 claimed in Gift Aid, and £9,830 raised through additional grants, compensation payments and donation matching schemes, to achieve an overall 2022-2023 income of £108,421.
- An 83/17 percentage split in income raised between restricted and un-restricted income, demonstrating the strength of our legitimacy as a charity that is trusted to distribute funds directly to a specified project.
- Increased our reach to donors massively through improved engagement on fund-raising platforms from 375 donors to 574 donors in just 1 year, with a corresponding increase in our email marketing reach and capability.
- Trustee project visits to Afghanistan and Pakistan allowed the trustees to meet and verify project delivery partnerships and carry out further due diligence on proposed projects.
- Ongoing orphan sponsorship agreements for orphans in Tanzania.
- Food Security projects through local volunteers and partners in 5 different countries, helping the poor and needy, orphans and refugee families.
- Following a successful appeal, Muslim Futures supported poor and vulnerable female led families with empowerment and income generation livelihood opportunities for the first time.
- Embarked on a programme of water and sanitation project installations to deliver water security in Pakistan with multiple types of installations across rural communities.
- Eid-ul-Adha was another success this year with 172 individual shares offered producing over 2,855 kg of meat. Qurbani 2023 Appeal allowed Muslim Futures to raise £7,010 (not including the Gift Aid) providing 28,550 meals for over 1,420 households and nearly 8,550 of the poorest people in needy communities with meat in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Palestine, Uganda, and Yemen.
- Continued collecting good quality second-hand clothes and shoes, including blankets and winter-wear, with onward distribution being prepared to send to our local volunteers and partners on the ground in Pakistan.
- Upgraded our IT resilience, improved our IT security, and work on policies and procedures is progressing well.
- Established and significantly improved our Memorandum of Understanding, Due Diligence, and project reporting protocols and procedures to improve accountability and transparency.
- Improved and strengthened our donor engagement channels utilising direct email marketing campaigns and social media.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance on public benefit contained in documents produced by the Charity Commission, when reviewing the aims and objectives of the charity and planning future activities.

Financial Review

Our overall objectives in relation to fundraising was to maximise the amount of voluntary income raised and to ensure that we did so at a reasonable cost to income ratio.

- Our total income for the year was £108,421 (2021-22; £151,952), inclusive of Gift Aid.
- Our direct charitable expenditure (donations distributed) during the year was £80,234 (2021-22; £126,624).
- Our administration and expenditure costs were £14,612 (2021-22; £3,204) which also included an exceptional one-off charge for the design and development of a professional website.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between 3- and 6- months' expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to such major risks.

Future Development

The Trustees are satisfied with the continued progress and development of the Charity in relation to its stated objects. The Charity was established in August 2010 to prevent or relieve poverty or financial hardship, relieve sickness, and advance education, and the Trustees are satisfied that the focus of the work meets these criteria.

Muslim Futures intends to continue its focus on organisational efficiency aimed at increasing investment in key long-term development projects and focus on fewer countries to further enable effective and efficient utilisation of resources. This means that our activities in the future will remain focused on areas of key impact and change to people's lives, within specific locations, in pursuit of our aims and objectives, with a greater emphasis on education, literacy, learning, skills development, training and job creation. We believe our activities over the last 12 months is achieving these objectives, and our work in strengthening our existing links with our project partners in Africa, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Palestine and developing new relationships with new partners in Afghanistan and Yemen reflects this approach.

The Trustees intend to continue their work to further enhance existing and new project activities based on the relationships and working models built with their project implementation partners. These relationships with our partners are vital to the long-term development and success of Muslim Futures and we recognise the value they bring to our team in helping us to deliver the donor's intentions. The Trustees strive to work harder in this respect and develop a closer bond with each of the partners.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is currently an Unincorporated Association and is governed by its document of governance, entitled "Constitution", drafted, and amended in accordance with guidance from the Charity Commission of the UK, dated as adopted on the 16th of October 2020, replacing the previous document of governance dated 27th August 2010.

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the Financial Statements were:

Freeda Yousaf
 Naveed Siddique, who resigned on 5th November 2022
 Salma Haq
 Saud Khan, who resigned on 5th November 2022
 Ummar Yousaf

New Trustees are appointed by majority decision. Normally Trustees are people who already have an existing involvement with, and knowledge of, the charity. Induction meetings for new Trustees are held prior to their first Board meeting. The Trustees meet at least two times each year. Other ad-hoc meetings and telephone conferences involving either the whole Board or selected members of The Trustees are also held as required. Office bearers are responsible for the day-to-day running of the charity and manage the staff and volunteers of the charity on behalf of the Trustees. The charity has the following office-bearers:

Chair of Trustees	- Ummar Yousaf
Secretary	- Freeda Yousaf

The Trustee's Report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Ummar Yousaf
Trustee

30 May 2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MUSLIM FUTURES

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Muslim Futures, (the charity) for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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 to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Forhad Ahmed, FCA

30 May 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023*

		Restricted 2023	Un- Restricted 2023	Total Funds 2023	Restricted 2022	Un- Restricted 2022	Total Funds 2022
	Notes			£			£
Income from:							
Donations and Legacies	3	89,341	18,858	108,199	123,787	28,142	151,929
Interest Receivable	4	222	-	222	-	3	3
Total income		<u>89,563</u>	<u>18,858</u>	<u>108,421</u>	<u>123,787</u>	<u>28,145</u>	<u>151,932</u>
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	77,095	18,025	95,120	125,961	4,230	130,191
Total Expenditure		<u>77,095</u>	<u>18,025</u>	<u>95,120</u>	<u>125,961</u>	<u>4,230</u>	<u>130,191</u>
Net income for year / Net movement in funds		12,468	833	13,301	(2,174)	23,915	21,741
Reconciliation Funds:							
Fund balance 1 Aug 2022		(2,174)	49,439	47,265	-	25,524	25,524
Fund balance 31 Jul 2023		<u>10,294</u>	<u>50,272</u>	<u>60,566</u>	<u>(2,174)</u>	<u>49,439</u>	<u>47,265</u>

MUSLIM FUTURES**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31 JULY 2023**

		2023	2023	2022	2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11		820		1,093
Current Assets					
Cash at Bank and in hand		<u>59,746</u>		<u>46,172</u>	
Net Current Assets			59,746		46,172
Total Assets less current liabilities			<u>60,566</u>		<u>47,265</u>
Income Funds					
Restricted Funds			10,295		(2,174)
Unrestricted / General Funds			50,271		49,439
Total			<u>60,566</u>		<u>47,265</u>

The Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees on 30th May 2024



Ummar Yousaf
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023*

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Charity information

Muslim Futures, is an Unincorporated Association and is governed by its document of governance, entitled "Constitution", drafted, and amended in accordance with guidance from the Charity Commission of the UK, dated as adopted on the 16th of October 2020, replacing the previous document of governance dated 27th August 2010.

1.2. Accounting convention

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Constitution, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 1st January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cashflows.

The Financial Statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, which is referred to in the Regulations, but which has since been withdrawn.

The Financial Statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these Financial Statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.3. Going concern

At the time of approving the Financial Statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Thus, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements.

1.4. Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the stated charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions defined by donors at the point of donation as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted and unrestricted funds are set out in the notes to the Financial Statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.5. Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.6. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity.

- i. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity.
- ii. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.
- iii. Central staff costs are allocated based on time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.7. Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance basis.
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The gain or loss arising from the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8. Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9. Cash and Cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.10. Financial Instruments

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the

effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligated to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

De-recognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are de-recognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and Legacies

	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations and Gifts	108,199	151,929

4 Interest Received

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
Interest Receivable	222	3

5 Charitable Activities

	Charitable Expenditure 2023 £	Charitable Expenditure 2022 £
Direct Costs		
Depreciation & Impairment	273	364
Donations Made	80,234	126,623
	<u>80,507</u>	<u>126,987</u>
Share of support costs (see note 6)	14,613	3,204
	<u>95,120</u>	<u>130,191</u>
Analysis by Fund		
Restricted	77,095	125,961
Un-Restricted / General	18,025	4,230
	<u>95,120</u>	<u>130,191</u>

6 Support Costs

	Support Costs 2023 £	Governance Costs 2023 £	Total Costs 2023 £	Total Costs 2022 £
Advertising & Promotion	6,419	-	6,419	262
Printing & Stationery	85	-	85	55
Postage & Delivery	168	-	168	15
Processing Services	1,272	-	1,272	863
Professional Fees	35	-	35	35
Travel	2,876	-	2,876	33
Telecoms & Data Services	225	-	225	175
Utilities	595	-	595	288
Rent & Rates	2,500	-	2,500	1,458
Miscellaneous Expenses	438	-	438	20
	<u>14,613</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,613</u>	<u>3,204</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	14,613	-	14,613	3,204

7 Net Movement in Funds

	2023 £	2022 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging / (charging):		
Depreciation of owned fixed tangible assets	<u>273</u>	<u>364</u>

8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any person connected with them) received any remunerations or benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Employees

	2023 Number	2022 Number
The average monthly number of employees during the year was:		
Total	- _____	- _____

There were no employees whose remuneration was more than £60,000.

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects and all income is applied for charitable purposes.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £
Cost	
At 1st August 2022	1,457
Additions	-
At 31st July 2023	1,457 _____
Depreciation & Impairment	
At 1 August 2022	364
Depreciation charged in the year	273
At 31st July 2023	637 _____
Carrying Amount	
At 31st July 2023	820 _____
At 31st July 2022	1,093 _____

12 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Other Debtors	- _____	- _____

13 Restricted and Unrestricted Funds

The charity records the income received in both restricted and unrestricted categories.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions defined by donors at the point of donation as to how they may be used.

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used.

These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Current year	At 1 August 2022	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	At 31 July 2023
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	- 2,174	89,564	- 77,095	10,295
Unrestricted / General Funds	49,439	18,857	- 18,025	50,271
Total	<u>47,265</u>	<u>108,421</u>	<u>- 95,120</u>	<u>60,566</u>
 Previous year	 At 1 August 2021	 Incoming Resources	 Resources Expended	 At 31 July 2022
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds	-	123,787	- 125,961	- 2,174
Unrestricted / General Funds	25,524	28,145	- 4,230	49,439
Total	<u>25,524</u>	<u>151,932</u>	<u>- 130,191</u>	<u>47,265</u>

14 Trustee and Related Party Transactions

During the year a charge for rental was paid to Mrs Freeda Yousaf, who is a Trustee of the charity, of £2,500 (2021-2022; £1,458) which was an arm's length charge for the use of her property as an office.