



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **Period start date** 6/12/2023 - **Period end date** 15/12/2024

Charity name: SUDANESE COMMUNITY IN OXFORD & OXFORDSHIRE

Charity registration number 1193819

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Sudanese Community in Oxford & Oxfordshire aims to support, empower, and unite the Sudanese community in Oxford, while also fostering positive relationships with the wider local population. The charity's core purpose, as set out in its governing document, is to promote social inclusion for the public benefit by working with individuals in Oxford and Oxfordshire who are socially excluded due to their ethnic origin, religion, belief, ...etc particularly members of the Sudanese community. To achieve these aims, the charity: • Provides a local network group that encourages and enables members of the Sudanese community to participate more effectively with the wider community. • Increases and coordinates opportunities for members of the Sudanese community to engage with service providers, enabling those providers to adapt services to better meet the needs of the community. • Offers education and training in English language and vocational skills. • Organizes social, cultural, and recreational facilities and events involving the local community. Through these activities, the charity seeks to relieve the needs of those who are socially excluded and assist them to integrate into society. All initiatives are designed to empower individuals, foster cultural understanding, promote social integration, and provide support through community programmes and outreach efforts.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes	Para 1.17 and 1.19	During the reporting period, the Sudanese Community in Oxford & Oxfordshire undertook a

for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.		range of activities designed to support its charitable objectives for the public benefit. The charity organised cultural events to promote understanding and celebrate Sudanese heritage, facilitated social gatherings to foster integration within the wider Oxford community, and provided educational workshops and support sessions aimed at enhancing opportunities for community members. Additionally, outreach programmes were implemented to assist those in need, including advice services, language support, and access to essential resources. All these initiatives directly contributed to the charity's mission of empowering and uniting the Sudanese community and members of the wider community, while also strengthening social cohesion and wellbeing across Oxford and Oxfordshire.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when exercising their duties and in planning the charity's activities. They have ensured that all initiatives and services delivered during the reporting period were in line with the Commission's guidance, with the aim of providing tangible benefits to the Sudanese community and the wider public across Oxford and Oxfordshire.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	During 2024, the charity has made significant strides in delivering its objectives, creating a tangible and positive impact for its beneficiaries. Through dedicated programmes and targeted interventions, the charity has improved the quality of life for those it serves, addressing their specific needs and fostering opportunities for personal growth and well-being. Notably, the charity's initiatives have empowered beneficiaries from age groups to overcome challenges, develop essential skills, and access vital resources. Beyond the direct support to individuals, the charity's activities have also produced broader benefits for the wider community. These include fostering a stronger sense of social cohesion, raising awareness of key social issues, and encouraging volunteerism. By engaging with stakeholders and collaborating with other organisations, the charity has contributed to building a more inclusive and supportive society. Overall, the achievements over the period demonstrate the charity's commitment to making a meaningful and lasting difference both for its beneficiaries and for society as a whole. The trustees confirm that all activities are planned and delivered in accordance with Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, ensuring tangible benefits for both the Sudanese community and the wider public across Oxford and Oxfordshire.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Membership annual/monthly fees . as main source of funding to run activities. Well together funding received £5000 Aug 2024 to run a women wellbeing project expenses to hire the hall and pay the Afro dance instructor. Sessions run on a weekly basis in the local community centre. Women from the wider community have joined from all walks of life , socially and ethnically diverse ,
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	None held
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	None held
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees are clearly set out in the charity's governing document. Typically, trustees may be elected at the Annual General Meeting by members of the charity, or may be appointed by a named individual or organisation as specified in the trust constitution. In some cases, the governing document also allow for co-option of trustees by the existing committee , to fill vacancies that arise between general meetings. appointment are outlined in the constitution, ensuring transparency and compliance with regulatory requirements.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	SUDANESE COMMUNITY IN OXFORD & OXFORDSHIRE
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1193819
Charity's principal address	Address: The Source 1 Floyds Row OXFORD OX1 1SS Phone: +447598350222 Email: admin@sudaneseinoxford.com

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Ahmed	Chair	Nov 2022-Jan 2025	Election
2	Bashir Ahmed	General Secretary	Nov 2022-Jan 2025	Appointed
3	Nazar Yousif	Media and Comm	Nov 2022-current	Appointed
4	Sana Adlan	Chair	Jan 2025- Current	Appointed
5	Mansour Elagab	Treasurer	March 2022-Current	Appointed
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NA
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Sarah

Sana

Full name(s)

Sarah Ahmed

Sana Adlan

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Chair 2022-Jan 2025
Trustee

Chair Jan 2025- until now
Trustee

Date

12.10.2025