

Annual Report

Overview

Trustees:

1. Zahdah Majid
2. Omar Majid
3. Othman Shoukat Majid

Charity number: 1194351

Charitable Objectives

The prevention or relief of poverty for the public benefit in the UK by providing items, services and grants to individuals in need and, or the provision of grants to educational institutions which are conducting research into poverty and supporting research into factors that contribute to poverty and the most appropriate ways to mitigate these.

The promotion of religious and racial harmony for the public benefit by: promoting knowledge and mutual understanding between different religious and racial groups ; advancing education and raising awareness about different religious and racial groups to promote good relations between persons of different religious and racial groups through grant funding research; and working towards the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of religious belief and race.

Introduction

This report covers the Charity's activities during the year under review. The Charity remains small and trustee-led, with no paid staff and limited administrative capacity. As such, activity during the year was intentionally focused and measured, with the trustees prioritising impact, governance, and responsible stewardship of funds over expansion.

While overall activity levels were lower than initially envisaged when the Charity was established, the trustees believe the approach taken during the year was appropriate given prevailing constraints.

Activities and Achievements

During the year, the Charity undertook a single, targeted fundraising effort:

- The Charity raised slightly more than £6,000.
- 100% of funds raised were donated to Cambridge Muslim College (CMC) to support students experiencing financial hardship.

The trustees selected Cambridge Muslim College as a recipient due to its established governance, trusted track record, and direct support for individuals facing economic hardship within higher education.

No further fundraising campaigns, grant rounds, or events were undertaken during the year. The trustees considered it preferable to focus on a single, high-confidence deployment of funds rather than pursue additional activity without sufficient capacity to manage it effectively.

Risk Management

The Charity continues to maintain appropriate governance and risk management arrangements proportionate to its size and activities. Relevant policies remain in place, including:

- Grant Making Policy
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Safeguarding policies

Given the limited operational scope during the year, the trustees assessed the Charity's overall risk exposure as low. Financial risk was mitigated by limiting fundraising to amounts that could be deployed promptly and transparently.

Financial Overview

Costs

The primary cost was maintenance of our website.

Income

Total income for the year amounted slightly more than £6,000, raised through donations from friends and family within the trustees' personal networks in the UK.

Challenges and Constraints

The year under review presented a number of challenges for the Charity:

- **Capacity and bandwidth:** The Charity is entirely trustee-run, and the trustees faced competing professional and personal commitments during the year. This significantly limited the time available to plan, execute, and manage broader fundraising or charitable activities.
- **Sustainability of activity:** As a small charity, there is an ongoing challenge in balancing ambition with operational reality. The trustees were conscious of the risks of over-extension and therefore chose to limit activity to what could be delivered responsibly.
- **Macroeconomic environment:** The wider UK economic environment remained challenging, with continued cost-of-living pressures affecting both potential donors and beneficiaries. This constrained fundraising potential and reinforced the trustees' cautious approach.
- **Operational scale:** The Charity does not yet have a volunteer base or administrative support structure beyond the trustees themselves, which limits the scope and frequency of activities that can be undertaken.

The trustees consider these challenges structural rather than temporary and have therefore shaped the Charity's approach accordingly.

Plans Going Forward

Looking ahead, the trustees expect the Charity's activities to remain modest in the near term. Future fundraising and grant-making will be undertaken on a selective, opportunistic, and capacity-led basis, rather than through large-scale campaigns.

The trustees will continue to prioritise:

- Responsible stewardship of funds
- Transparent deployment aligned with charitable objectives
- Partnerships with credible institutions where impact can be achieved efficiently

Any expansion of activity will be contingent on increased capacity, whether through additional trustee time, volunteers, or improved operational infrastructure.

Structure and Governance

There were no changes to the Charity's structure or governance during the year. The trustees believe the current governance arrangements remain appropriate given the Charity's size, resources, and level of activity.

In the longer term, should activity increase meaningfully, the trustees will consider strengthening organisational capacity, including the potential involvement of volunteers. However, no changes are anticipated in the immediate future.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Lady Zahdah Foundation

1194351

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

4/1/2024

To

3/31/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donation	3,896	-	-	3,896	
	25	-	-	25	-
	167	-	-	167	-
	105	-	-	105	-
	5	-	-	5	-
	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,198	-	-	6,198	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,198	-	-	6,198	-
A3 Payments					
Website Maintenance	401	-	-	401	
CMC Donation	6,000	-	-	6,000	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,401	-	-	6,401	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,401	-	-	6,401	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 203	-	-	- 203	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	208	-	-	208	
Cash funds this year end	5	-	-	5	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in Bank	5	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	5	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	Omar Majid	Omar Majid	1/31/2026	