

Ahmadiyya Anjuman Ishaat Islam Lahore (UK)

Woking Muslim Mission Heritage

(AAIIL–UK: *Registered Charity No. CIO 1195956*)

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Annual Report for the year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

This CIO, Ahmadiyya Anjuman Ishaat Islam Lahore (UK), was registered at the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 28 September 2021. It replaces the unincorporated charity, The Ahmadiyya Anjuman Ishaat Islam Lahore (UK), Reg. no. 278963.

This is the annual report for the first full year of the CIO. The transfer of functions and funds from the unincorporated charity was completed during this year.

1. Monthly Meetings

1. An open meeting of members and guests, at which usually two talks are given, is held at our Centre on the first Sunday of each month starting at 3.00 pm. With the end of the national Covid-19 lockdown, meetings in person were resumed at the Centre. The meetings could also be joined on Zoom, and were also broadcast in audio on the Internet radio Mixlr. Recorded talks are made available to those who could not attend.
2. Here is a summary of the monthly meetings during the period of this report:
 1. April-May: Due to Ramadan starting on 3rd April 2022, the normal Sunday monthly meetings for April and May were not held, but replaced by Ramadan and Eid-ul-Fitr activities.
 2. 5/6/22: At the time of the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee, a talk was given on how, in 1897, the Founder of the Ahmadiyya Movement had marked the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria by publishing a booklet he wrote for the occasion which he sent to the Queen to enlighten her about the teachings of Islam. Another talk was on Spiritual Ailments, presented by a member who is a medical professional.
 3. 3/7/22: This meeting was not held due to the close proximity of Eid-ul-Adha on 9 July.
 4. 7/8/22: Due to re-appearance of Covid infections, this meeting was restricted to Zoom only. The meeting was joined by Dr A.K. Saeed, world-wide Head of the Lahore Ahmadiyya Movement who was visiting the UK. He spoke to the meeting on the martyrdom of Hazrat Imam Husain. Another speaker gave a talk on 'Allah is the Light', and explained that the Holy Prophet Muhammad was the greatest recipient of this Light. A third speaker spoke on 'Islam and Science: A New Perspective'.
 5. 4/9/22: Talks were given about the recent renovation of our Movement's almost century-old mosque in Berlin (Germany) by two persons who had attended the

renovation opening ceremony at that mosque in August.

6. 2/10/22: This meeting was also joined by Dr A.K. Saeed, world-wide Head of the Lahore Ahmadiyya Movement who was visiting the UK, over Zoom. In October is the anniversary of the death of Maulana Muhammad Ali in 1951, the first Head of the Ahmadiyya Anjuman Lahore. A talk was given about his life, qualities and work.
7. 6/11/22: A Christian guest speaker presented his poem on the topic of God being One. Another talk was on the chapter 'The Time' of the Quran. A third talk was on the importance of self-discipline.
8. 4/12/22: The main talk was on 'The view of Islam on asking and answering questions'.
9. 8/1/23: The main talk was by Dr. Ole Jensen from the Open University on: 'Making Muslim burial space in the UK — The history of minority burial grounds in Brookwood Cemetery, Surrey'. (See also below under 'Woking Muslim Mission Heritage' work.) The month being January, another talk was on the subject of 'Veganuary and Moderation within Islam'.
10. 5/2/23: A member of the Movement from Trinidad presented a talk over Zoom under the title 'Life after Death with reference to chapter 82 of the Holy Quran'.
11. 5/3/23: Two of our young members, who are still at school, gave talks, one on the importance of Zakat, and the other on the Islamic Prayer.

2. Other regular religious functions

1. The Daily Ramadan Quran Studies were produced in text form as in previous years and circulated to a wide mailing list of people in the UK and abroad and were much appreciated. These were also read out on video and uploaded to a YouTube channel.
2. Eid-ul-Fitr held on 2 May 2022 was the first Eid after the Covid-19 pandemic that we were able to hold in full at our Wembley centre. The whole function was also broadcast on our YouTube channel and radio channel. Rev. Alison Taylor of the local St James' Church, Alperton, also accepted our invitation to attend. We are also grateful to Rev. Alison Taylor for allowing our members and visitors to use her church car park for our bigger gatherings, as at the two annual Eids.
3. Eid-ul-Adha was held on 9 July 2022 and again the whole function was also broadcast on our YouTube channel and radio channel. Invited guests included Dr Lucy Talbot, Community Engagement Officer at Brookwood Cemetery, Woking, Surrey (see also below under 'Woking Muslim Mission Heritage' work).
4. As usual, Friday *khutbas* and prayers were broadcast live in video on the YouTube channel 'Ahmadiyya Lahore' and simultaneously broadcast in audio on Internet radio Mixlr on the channel 'Lahore Ahmadiyya UK'. The text of each *khutba* was in most cases uploaded to our website www.aaail.uk after the *khutba* had been delivered. Links to the recorded videos and audios remain permanently on this website.

5. Ramadan 2023 started on 23 March and Eid-ul-Fitr was on 21 April. Although these fall partly after the end of this reporting period, they are covered in this report. The Ramadan fasting ending gatherings on Saturdays were resumed after suspension since 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. A full Eid-ul-Fitr gathering was held.
6. The Daily Ramadan Quran Studies were produced in text form as in previous years and circulated to a wide mailing list of people in the UK and abroad. This year a new form of presentation was used on our YouTube channel. The text was converted to Power-Point slides and accompanied by an audio reading of the same.

3. Book publication

A book *Introduction to the Holy Quran*, consisting of 244 pages was published on Amazon on their print-on-demand service. It merges two writings of Maulana Muhammad Ali.

4. First Annual General Meeting

The first AGM of the CIO was held on 5 February 2023 at our Centre, with members also joining in over Zoom. During January an e-mail ballot of the members had been conducted to elect the trustees of AAIL(UK). The results were announced at this meeting. All the votes cast were in favour of the motion to re-elect the existing trustees, and no nomination was received for anyone else to stand for office of trustee. Consequently, the existing six trustees were elected for a term of three years, starting on 5 February 2023.

5. Report on the work of Woking Muslim Mission Heritage

1. We continued to help and advise researchers who contact our websites. Four queries relating to the history of the Woking Muslim Mission were answered.
2. In March 2022, Dr Ole Jensen, an Open University lecturer, extended an invitation to join him at the Surrey History Centre to discuss his research on the history of the minority burial ground at Brookwood Cemetery, focusing on 'Roots and Routes.'
3. Participation in Dr Jensen's Research:
 - i. A two-part talk by Dr Jensen on 23 April 2022, and 14 May 2022, was attended by our trustee Mr Azhar Ahmad and his wife, our volunteer, Samira.
 - ii. Afterwards, Dr Jensen invited Mr Azhar Ahmad to assist with a guided tour of Brookwood's Muslim section on April 24, 2022. There were approximately 45 participants.
 - iii. An online seminar organized by, Dr Jensen was attended in June 2022 on the topic *The living and the dead: Exploring minority burial grounds in Brookwood Cemetery, Surrey*. Before the seminar we prepared a 2-page paper about the interest of our organisation in the old Muslim section of Brookwood Cemetery and circulated it in advance to the three speakers due to speak at the seminar.
4. On 7 May 2022 we participated in 'Surrey History Day' at Brookwood Cemetery,

conducting a knowledgeable tour for around 10 attendees in the Muslim section, which was particularly beneficial for first-time visitors.

5. On 17 July 2022, Mr Azhar Ahmad and Mrs Samira Ahmad attended the yearly Commemoration Service at Horsell Common Peace Garden, representing our charity AAIIL(UK). A detailed report was subsequently submitted by them to our charity.
6. On Sunday, 20 November 2022, we participated in a gathering organized by the 'Lord Mohammad Sheikh Trust', notably attended by Dr Ole Jensen.
7. Collaborations: We are currently collaborating with the following organisations as AAIIL (UK) and Woking Muslim Mission Heritage:
 - i. Surrey History Centre, Woking
 - ii. Lightbox Woking
 - iii. National Muslim War Memorial Trust
 - iv. Everyday Muslim
 - v. Brookwood Cemetery Management
 - vi. Brookwood Cemetery Society

In conclusion, these engagements and collaborations have strengthened our ties with various organizations, furthering our mission to promote awareness of cultural heritage and history within the community. We look forward to future endeavors in the pursuit of our shared objectives.

6. Charity work

1. In September 2022 our members raised £1625 for flood relief in Pakistan. This was transferred to our Central organisation in Lahore who were carrying out flood relief work on the spot.
2. In February 2023 our members raised £1550 for earthquake relief in Turkey. This was donated by our charity to Unicef.

7. Building related work

1. A considerable amount of building repair work was done, including roof and ceiling repairs, damp remedial work, replacement of showers, and toilet repairs.
2. A new gas central heating boiler was installed and the system was flushed.
3. Gas prices during this period, particularly after the annual contract renewal in November 2022, were considerably higher than in previous years.
4. A considerable amount of time and funds were spent in reaching agreement to extend the lease on flat 17D Stanley Avenue with the freeholder of 17 Stanley Avenue.



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01.04.2022

To

31.03.2023

Important note: This is the first full year of the operation of the *incorporated* charity. Last year was part year.


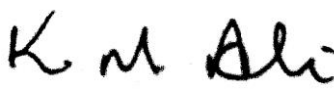
The transition to the incorporated body started in December 2021.

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Direct donations	7861	-	-	7861	1329
Donations received through CAF (inc. Gift Aid of £3646)	15694	-	-	15694	995
HMRC Gift Aid for direct donations	443	-	-	443	0
Donation from the AALF charity	4350	-	-	4350	0
Donations for cemetery plots	7800	-	-	7800	600
Rent from flat 17D Stanley Avenue	10425	-	-	10425	1770
Interest from bank accounts	242	-	-	242	
Internet income	5	-	-	5	17167
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	46,819	-	-	46,819	21,861
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Transfer of funds held by our previous, unincorporated charity, regd. 278963	57,305	-	-	57,305	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	57,305	-	-	57,305	-
Total receipts	104,125	-	-	104,125	21,861
A3 Payments					
Utility bills	6,579	-	-	6,579	2,479
Renovation/Maintenance of 15 Stanley Avenue	3,393	-	-	3,393	1,419
Building improvements at 15 Stanley Avenue	11,975	-	-	11,975	10,310
New gas boiler & radiator flush	4,904	-	-	4,904	-
Public liability insurance premium	832	-	-	832	-
Cost of lease extension on flat 17D Stanley Avenue	10,672	-	-	10,672	-
Legal fees for lease extension flat 17D	11,491	-	-	11,491	-
Donations to various charities	4,560	-	-	4,560	430
Fees	-	-	-	-	107
Post & stationary	73	-	-	73	-
Hospitality for functions held at 15 Stanley Ave	1,838	-	-	1,838	65
Sub total	56,316	-	-	56,316	14,810

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	56,316	-	-	56,316	14,810
Net of receipts/(payments)	47,809	-	-	47,809	7,051
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,051	-	-	7,051	-
Cash funds this year end	54,860	-	-	54,860	7,051

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	Natwest Current Account 80564232	2,060	-	-
	Natwest Reserve Account 80593712	1,725	-	-
	Natwest Reserve Account 80564267	42,674	-	-
	Natwest Current Account 80564259	8,400	-	-
	Total cash funds	54,860	-	-
	(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	
	 	ZAHID AZIZ KEN MUSTAQ ALI	15/09/2023 15/09/2023	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Ahmadiyya Anjuman Ishaat Islam Lahore (UK)

On accounts for the year
ended

31.03.2023

Charity no
(if any)

1195956

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

05/10/2023

Name:

Mr Shabeer Khan

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Retired Bank Branch Manager
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	Chigwell,
	Essex, IG7 5JD

Section B	Disclosure
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.