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## AI FIKR REPORTT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 22 OCTOBER 2019 TO 21 OCTOBER 2020

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### CHAIRMAN MESSAGE

#### Dear Donors,

Assalamu Alaykum,

Alhamdulillah over the past year, Al-Fikr's reach has grown extensively. We are now actively operating across 8 countries in South Asia and Africa with the ability to offer aid in response to various emerging humanitarian crises. In doing so, we have established relationships with NGOs and charities based in those countries to identify ways in which we can collaborate and assist those most in need quickly. Aside from extending our global reach, we have also grown our UK reach through establishing further teams throughout England and Wales. This has allowed us to offer aid UK wide and, in doing so, the Al-Fikr charity name has become further established and known. We have reached out to nearly 30,000 vulnerable people with immediate relief through supporting the homeless, installing hand water pumps, water wells, handing out food packages and distributing education packs including school supplies. None of these projects would have been possible without the help of our generous donors and volunteers. Our latest projects in Pakistan saw the opening of a soup kitchen in January 2021, providing free meals for approximately 1000 people every week and the construction of a mobile school. We hope to expand both of these projects across the countries that we work in. This annual report highlights some of our recent achievements and activities whilst documenting our financial statements for the year ended 21 October 2020. As another year unfolds, we hope you can find inspiration in our mission so that together, we can continue to bring lasting change to deprived communities. Ma'a Salaam, Umar Manzoor

Chairman



### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

The trustees, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the period 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 to 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

### INCORPORATION

The CIO was incorporated on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018.

# **Charity Registration Number** 1180406

### **Company Registration Number** CE015435

### **Registered Office**

73 Pullman Close Redditch, B97 6HR

### Trustees

Mr Umar Manzoor MR Amir Manzoor Mr Manzoor Hussain Mr Mohammad Israr Hussain Self-Employed Banker Factory Worker Self-Employed appointed 22.10.18
appointed 22.10.18
appointed 22.10.18
appointed 15.01.19

### Independent Examiner

Quba Accountancy Limited 14 Mayne Avenue Luton, Bedfordshire, LU4 9LS

### **Principal Bank**

Lloyds Bank Lloyds Court Milton Keynes MK9 3EE

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### **Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees sets our future aims and priorities focusing on strategic planning and governance and also evaluates our performance and progress in our work to alleviate poverty and suffering.

The Board of Trustees appraises the Senior Management Team and can make appointments to it as well as dismissals. The Board of Trustees also make sure that we satisfy the regulatory requirements on us as a charity and works with key stakeholders.

### **Recruiting and Appointing Trustees**

All our trustees are volunteer, chosen because they all have the diverse range of skills, knowledge and experience that we need to respond to the challenges of today. Stakeholders and partners may nominate trustees and sometimes we will make a personal approach to potential candidates.

### **Key Personnel**

The Secretary is accountable to the Board of Trustees and is responsible for our day to day management. The Secretary chairs the Senior Management Team, which is made up of the Programmes, Fundraising and Finance Departments and all the policies are implemented through our staff and volunteers.

### **Governing document**

AL-FIKR refers to the charity incorporated organisation with a governing document known as CIO constitution by association originally incorporated on 22 October 2019.

### **Responsibilities of Trustees**

The annual Report and Financial statements are prepared according to the relevant law and approved by the trustees.

The trustees keep adequate accounting records and they show and explain our transactions. The records also disclose our financial position with reasonable accuracy at any time and enable trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with Charity Commission Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2015.

### **Grant Making Policies**

We provide grants to projects if the request meets our charitable objectives and criteria. Project grant making is managed according to a designated process, which is documented in our Operational Risk-Management Framework". We aim to treat all grant applications professionally, equally and fairly. We make the final decision as to eligibility to receive a grant, at our discretion.

### **Public Benefit**

We develop strategic plans to make certain that we provide maximum public benefit and achieve our strategic objectives, which fall under purposes defined by the Charity Act 2006.

### Where We Work

AL-FIKR has development projects in Pakistan and Liberia. AL-FIKR is striving to reach out to vulnerable communities in many other countries of the world as well.

## **OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES FOR THE BENEFIT**

The objects of the charity are set below:

- 1. TO ADVANCE THE ISLAMIC RELIGION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF MEETINGS, LECTURES [PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF RELIGIOUS FESTIVALS] PRODUCING AND/OR DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON AND TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE ISLAMIC RELIGION.
- 2. TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND HELP YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH: (A) THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDED IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE; (B) PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS.

Our Compassion and Transformation Strategy sets out how we are putting our faith into action to secure the greatest possible positive impact on the people we serve. We are guided by the timeless values and teaching of Islam, with challenging aims designed to facilitate real social change. In addition, we are fulfilling a set of core promises throughout our work:

## Strengthening Local Capacity:

• We empower communities to manage their own affairs and develop the capacity of civil society itself through partnerships.

## Education and Capacity Building:

• We educate communities and build capacities to minimize their dependency and help them in building their own society by planning access to their basic rights like water, health and other services.

## **SOUP KITCHEN**

On 31st January 2021, we launched a soup kitchen in Pakpattan in the province of Punjab about 170 km from the city of Lahore predominantly for the benefit of widows, orphans, disabled and elderly individuals. We currently open every other day providing meals for between 200 to 400 people.





The kitchen is fitted out to enable a large-scale operation and has facilities to store up to 3 months of food supplies.

## **SPONSOR AN ORPHAN**

Innocent children become orphans by no fault of their own. Living without choices and struggling for survival, they require the hand of love and affection to support them. Al-Fikr's one-to-one orphan sponsorship programme supports orphaned and vulnerable children by providing them with healthcare, education, accommodation and food.





You can sponsor an orphan in a choice of several countries where you will be provided with a photograph and an annual progress update of how your orphan or child is performing in terms of their education and healthcare.

## WATER PUMPS

In rural parts of less economically developed countries such as Tanzania, Pakistan and India, women can spend up to five hours every day in search of water, which is often contaminated. Al-Fikr recognised this and it is our mission to help these individuals have access to water. Al-Fikr has to date installed 80 water facilities including hand pumps and water wells. This has benefited over 1800 individuals located in poor and impoverished communities





## **HELPING THE HOMELESS**

From the very outset, a branch of the charity has been focused on helping the local homeless population under our" Help the Homeless" project scheme. This project sees our volunteers distributing hot meals, basic hygiene kits, medical kits and clothing to the local homeless population on a weekly basis. Over the course of several months, our team have built strong relationships with many of the homeless individuals in the area and, in doing so, have been able to provide them with advice and support. We are now in the process of developing a strategy to work with key local agencies to get as many of the homeless population off the streets prior to the onset of winter.



**PAKISTAN AID RELIEF** 

Over 60 million people live in poverty in Pakistan which equates to one third of Pakistan's population.

The Al-Fikr team flew out to Pakistan in October 2020 as part of an appeal to help the less fortunate. The work carried out during our trip to Pakistan included supplying monthly food packages, providing wheelchairs for the disabled, supplying hand water pumps, funding marriages of those less fortunate, funding eye surgeries, providing medical aid, upgrading homes to a habitable condition, distributing hot food to orphanages and schools for vision impaired children.





## **CHARITY FUNDRAISER EVENT**

Al-Fikr organised a successful fundraising event in Milton Keynes in March 2020. The event raised funds towards helping the homeless in Milton Keynes and furthering our water/food projects in Pakistan.



## WHEELCHAIR DISTRIBUTION

Al-Fikr donates wheelchairs, tricycles, crutches and other support tools to disabled individuals in the UK and abroad. Along with providing health, education & career support, we also organise different recreational activities to provide fun and fellowship to disabled persons.



## **RAMADAN FOOD PACKAGES**

Throughout the holy month of Ramadan in 2020, we were able to help the needy locally and internationally. Locally we were able to feed over 2,000 people living homeless and in poverty. We have supported the NHS on a weekly basis with hot food, 2000 masks and 15,000 gloves. We were also able to provide care packages to the MK Willen Hospice as well as providing an individual service for those self-isolating. Internationally we were able to distribute food and water aid across 10 countries and, in doing so, provided over 150,000 meals to widows, orphans, disabled and those in need within those countries.



### AL FIKR TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

## **Achievements and Performances**

### **Financial Review**

The charity received sum of **£73,240** in donations from various sources.

### Funds in Deficit:

No funds are in deficit at the balance sheet.

### Funds in Surplus:

No funds are in surplus at the balance sheet.

### **Small Company Provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to small companies' exemption.

The trustees' annual report was proved on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Signature: Name: Umar Manzoor **Position: Chairman** Date: 07/05/2021

### AL FIKR INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 22 OCT 2019 TO 21 OCT 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended **21/10/2020.** 

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination, 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.

### **Independent Examiner**

Quba Accountancy Limited Mr. Dawood Masood AFA, MIPA

## AL FIKR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
Incoming Resources:					
Incoming resources from generating funds					
Voluntary Income	5	46,523	23,077	69,600	80,201
Activities for generating income		3,640	-	3,640	-
Total Income Resources		50,164	23,077	73,240	80,201
Resources Expended:					
Cost of generating funds					
Charitable Activities	6	38,851	24,883	63,734	61,820
Governance Cost		300	-	300	-
Total resources expended		39,151	24,883	64,034	61,820
Net incoming resources before transfer		11,013	-1,806	9,207	18,381
Net movement of funds:					
Net Income for the year		11,013	-1,806	9,207	18,381
Total funds brought forward		-	-	18,381	-
Net funds carried forward		11,013	-1,806	27,588	18,381

## AL FIKR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

ASSETS	Notes		2020 £		2019 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	2		-	-	-
Current Assets:					
Cash at bank and in hand		27,588		18,381	
	-	27,588	-	18,381	
Creditors: Amount falling due within 1 year	3	-		-	
Net Current Assets/Liabilities			27,588		18,381
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			27,588	-	18,381
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				-	
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Funds	4		29,394		18,381
Designated Funds			-1,806		-
			27,588	-	18,381
Difference on Accounts				-	

U Signature:

Name: Umar Manzoor Position: Chairman Date: 07/05/2021

## AL FIKR NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

### 1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 73 Pullman Close, Redditch, B97 6HR.

### 2. Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102. 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be qualified with reasonable accuracy.

### **Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under heading that aggregate all cost related to the category. When costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operation leases are charged to the Statements of Financial Activities on straight line basis over the period of the lease.

## AL FIKR NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

2- Tangible Fixed Assets	Fixture & Fittings	Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost:			
As at 22/10/2019	-	-	-
Depreciation:			
As at 01/11/2019	-	-	-
For the Year	-	-	-
As at 31/10/2020	-	-	-
Net Book Value:			
As at 31/10/2020	-	-	-
As at 31/10/2019	-	-	-

3- Creditors falling during one year	2020	2019
Other Creditors	-	-
	-	-

4- Unrestricted Funds	Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer £	Carried Forward
	£	£	£		£
Designated Funds	-	23,077	24,883	-	-1,806
General Funds	18,381	50,164	39,151	-	29,394
	18,381	73,240	64,034	-	27,588
5- Incoming Resources Incoming resources grante Grants:	d funds		2020 £		2019 £
Voluntary Income		35,934			
Gift Aid		10,589	46,523	10,297	10,297
Grants:					
Activities for generating fur	nds	3,640		-	
			3,640		-
			50,164		10,297

## AL FIKR NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2020

6- Resources Expended	2020	2019
	£	£
Cost of generating funds		
Charitable Activities:		
Charitable Donations	8,946	-
Homeless	3,620	1,953
Event	1,196	-
Ramadan Aid	9,400	-
Health	451	-
Ultimate Healing (Umrah)	-	13,195
Sports Activity	-	685
Printing & Stationary	456	383
Videography	5,520	-
Insurance	377	-
Travel	2,958	3520
Support Cost	5,925	5,403
	38,851	25,139