

# **BAHJA INITIATIVE**

**Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the  
Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**Charity No: 1169309  
21 Askrigg Close, Accrington, BB5 6SD**

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT:**

The Trust was established by trust deed dated 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016 . The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the period January 2020 to December 2020. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are;

- Mr Abubakar Siddique Bashir
- Mr Afwad Hanif
- Mr Imran Abid
- Mr Matloob Ayub
- Mr Mohammed Haseeb Munir
- Mr Tariq Mahmood

### **Appointment of new Trustees:**

Members of the existing board of trustees suggest a few names and those agreed upon by majority are appointed.

## **OBJECTIVES and ACTIVITIES:**

Bahja Initiative was established with the intention of:

1. THE PREVENTION OR RELIEF OF POVERTY IN HYNDBURN, LANCASHIRE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THROUGH THE PROVISION OF ESSENTIAL FOOD ITEMS TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED.
2. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION THROUGH PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL COURSES WHICH PROMOTE, SUSTAIN AND INCREASE INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING ON TOPICS RELATED TO ISLAMIC THEOLOGY, JURISPRUDENCE AND SPIRITUALITY.
3. TO ADVANCE THE ISLAMIC FAITH THROUGH THE HOLDING OF WEEKLY PRAYER MEETINGS WHERE PEOPLE GATHER TO SING ISLAMIC HYMNS IN PRAISE OF GOD AND THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD.
4. THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTHY RECREATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF PENDLE, LANCASHIRE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA IN PARTICULAR BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR ARCHERY, HORSE-RIDING, SWIMMING, FOOTBALL AND WRESTLING.

During the year, the charity continued to provide services in accordance with the objectives and to raise funds by collections and donations.

## **PROGRESS:**

It has been an unprecedented and difficult year with the covid 19 virus and the lockdown. We were restricted in the services that we provided but we focused on helping the community where help was needed the most.

We continue to provide a hot lunch, every Sunday, to the homeless. When lockdown began, we had to stop providing lunches where people would be sat and served. We moved to packed lunches and provided a takeaway service to our regular attenders. We increased in providing food packs to vulnerable families, working with the local council in targeting the most in need.

Our regular Archery, Swimming and Wrestling courses had to stop due to the restriction and reservations we had about public safety.

#### **FUNDRAISING:**

We continue to fundraise, primarily from the local community with one off donations or setting up standing orders from individuals to receive a regular donations on a monthly basis.

#### **TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR END 31 DECEMBER 2020:**

The Trust has regular donations coming through the standing orders plus we charge for the sports courses which covers the costs of the courses. It is envisaged that this regular funding will continue into the foreseeable future. It is the Trust policy that unrestricted funds which have not been specifically designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level above three to six months expenditure. The Trustees consider reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant unexpected drop in donations, they will be able to continue the Trust's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

#### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then
- apply them consistently
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, 2006 and 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board of Trustees

Trustee .....



Name TARIQ MAHMOOD

28/10/21

**BAHJA INITIATIVE**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**12 MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Incoming resources from generating funds:				
Voluntary/Funding Income	11,097	14,989	26,086	36,002
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<u>11,097</u>	<u>14,989</u>	<u>26,086</u>	<u>36,002</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable Activities	-4,256	-14,917	-19,172	-33,131
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	<u>-4,256</u>	<u>-14,917</u>	<u>-19,172</u>	<u>-33,131</u>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE TRANSFERS</b>	<u>6,841</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>6,913</u>	<u>2,871</u>
Transfer between funds	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	5,171	-	5,171	2,300
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>12,012</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>12,084</u>	<u>5,171</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities



Tariq Mahmood  
Trustee

Date: 28/10/21

**BAHJA INITIATIVE**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**12 MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2020**

		2020	2019
	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand	12,083.95		5,170.84
	<u>12,083.95</u>		<u>5,170.84</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		12,083.95	5,170.84
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>12,083.95</u></u>	<u><u>5,170.84</u></u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted Income Funds		12,012.29	5,170.84
Restricted Income Funds		71.66	0.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u><u>12,083.95</u></u>	<u><u>5,170.84</u></u>



Tariq Mahmood  
Trustee

Date: 28/10/21

**BAHJA INITIATIVE  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Bahja Initiative**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Bahja Initiative (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 20120.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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29.10.2021