

RANE Annual Report 2020/21

Background on Rohingya Action North East (RANE)

In 2015 a group of Newcastle human rights activists and councillors held a public meeting with British Rohingya Community (BRC), this was followed by a public demonstration at Newcastle City Centre campaigning for the Rohingya cause. In February 2017 four Newcastle City Councillors and human rights activists visited the Rohingya refugee camp and witnessed the devastation themselves and it was from this visit the North East Solidarity with Rohingya People took shape and the campaign became stronger and stronger. In 2019 we rebranded and renamed the organisation, pursuing charitable status as Rohingya Action North East (RANE). In late 2019 we submitted our application for Charitable status and by March 2020 RANE became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). RANE, since its initiation back in 2016, has raised and distributed over £ 20k worth of aid at the refugee camp and is actively raising funds for their aid work as well as continuing with the political campaign for justice for the oppressed Rohingya people.





Political Campaign in the UK

One of RANE's main objective is to continue with the political campaign, to raise public awareness and we have continued to organise demonstrations/rallies and public meetings with members of the public as well as with local, national and international politicians and government ministers. RANE regularly provides updates from all of its visits to the Refugee camp and all its relief work.

Collaboration and joint working

RANE works closely with the British Rohingya Community (BRC), this organisation is based in Bradford. RANE Trustees regularly join and attend BRC's activities and events. RANE also works closely with the Burmese Rohingya Organisation UK (BROUK). Both of these organisations regularly attend all of RANE's activities and events and we often work collaboratively in relief work at the Refugee camp. RANE Trustees have attended and continue to support various organisations, delivering presentations and or supporting establishing events such as the Newcastle City Council and Voluntary Organisations organising the Holocaust Memorial day events highlighting every the Rohingya people.

Fundraising for the building of the Women's Centre at the camp

RANE is actively fundraising to establish a safe women's centre at the camp in various ways. RANE organised the 'Rise with Rohingya' fundraiser in October 2019, which was attended by British MPs, the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, the president of BROUK and the Chair of the Newcastle Buddhist Centre as well the CAP Foundation - a British based charity which RANE helped to establish a 'maternity clinic' at the camp.

Our Funders

We are grateful and thank all our funders : the generous members of the public, worshippers at local mosques, temple, Gurdwara, churches, those attending and donating during and at our events and those donating via various platforms. We say a huge thank you for all your kind and generous donations, please continue with your support.

Relief work at the camp

RANE often responds to urgent plea for support with winter food/clothing, flood and disaster appeal, emergency appeal and Ramadan food/clothing appeal

Thank you

A big thank you to Northumberland branch of Unison for their support, initially financially supporting RANE with its setting up expenses and contributing to our administrative expenses. We would also like to say a big thank you to Vertex Design and Constructions who have been one of our biggest individual funders, providing administrative expenses and large donations to each and every urgent and emergency relief work.

Finally a huge thank you to Amad Ali and his family for choosing RANE as one his charities for which the family fundraised whilst fighting Covid taking the 'A Million Steps to Fight Covid' - thank you for raising and donating the amazing amount of £4,131.72

We bid goodbye to one our Trustees and RANE founder members, Councillor Nigel Todd. Nigel, who was one of RANE's founder members and an important member of our team, sadly passed suddenly, but peacefully at his home aged 72 on the 26th march 2021. Nigel's input, wisdom and experience that he brought to the team will be dearly missed. We mourn him dearly and we wish and pray that he Rests In Peace. Ameen

Rohingya Action North East
Projected Income & Expenditures
For The Period 01 Apr 2020 To 31 Mar 2021

Balance carried forward	£7,196.57
Public Donation	£5,698.92
Total	<u>£12,895.49</u>

Less Expenses

Wages & Salary	£0.00	
Web designer	£1,410.00	
Rent, Rate, Power	£0.00	
Phone & Stationery	£0.00	
Relief Work	£3,500.00	
		£4,910.00
Excess income over Expenditure		<u><u>£7,985.49</u></u>