



Indian Muslim Welfare Society

57th

Annual Report

2013 - 2014

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INDIAN MUSLIM WELFARE SOCIETY

All members are invited to attend the 57th Annual General Meeting on:

Date: Saturday 28 February 2015 - Time: 7.30 p.m.

Venue: Al-Hikmah Centre, 28 Track Road, Batley

Dinner will be served from 6.30 pm until 7.15 pm
(Isha namaaz 7:20pm)

AGM AGENDA

1. Tilawate Quran
2. Welcome and Address by the Chair
3. Approval of Minutes of last AGM / SGM
4. Matters Arising
5. Approval of Annual Report
6. Approval of Accounts
7. Re-appointment of Auditors
8. Proposal to increase Membership Fees
9. Any Other Business
10. Election of 4 Executive Trustees & Chair
11. Dua

Foreword by the Chair

Assalaamu Alaikum W. W.

This is my first year as the Chair of the organisation. I feel honoured and indebted to the members who put their trust in me as the Chair. I do not feel myself worthy of such an esteemed position in the community.

It has been a long road, as the role is very demanding and full of surprises. I have learnt a lot throughout my first tenure. I consider myself lucky to have worked with so many committed and caring people, both in paid and unpaid positions. In advance I apologise for any shortcomings or to anyone who I may have upset.

My predecessor reminded us last year about the heritage left to us by our elders, who were the pioneers, and I have to agree with him. IMWS is such a fine and a unique institution in the UK and we, the members, are very fortunate to have such a wonderful unique resource. There are many issues that need to be tackled and these can only be done by working together.

Whilst serving the organisation the demand of being dynamic is very real. This can be demonstrated by the terrible events that took place in Gaza, Palestine. As we were engrossed in the mundane work of organisational management, the Gaza conflict erupted. The slaughter of innocent victims including women and children demanded that we become much more pro-active in both fund raising and organising awareness events about the Palestine issue where general members could have the opportunity to participate in a forum. We organised a well-attended public event which was packed with prolific speakers. This took hours of planning and a lot of resources. So, at IMWS no one day is the same. There is a different challenge every day.

As ever I have continued with the tradition of working with the partner organisations such as Rabatah, BMC, local masaajids etc. I strongly believe that joint working enables everyone to deliver better

services and demonstrates a sense of community. I would reach out to anyone who is doing good for the benefit of all the community.

The UK economy is just starting to recover but the recovery is still very fragile. Over the last twelve months the gloomy economic picture prevailed. It was still very difficult to attract new funding to develop projects, as the local authority as well as the grant awarding bodies were (and still are) implementing many cost saving measures. We, the Executive Committee, have taken the trust put in us very seriously, and we too are looking how we can cut cost on an ongoing basis. The Executives worked hard to identify the areas where we could work much smarter, and find ways of delivering services which have an integrated element of 'value for money' concept.

Following the SGM to implement the Charitable Incorporation Organisation (CIO), the committee is working tirelessly. An application has been submitted with the Charity Commission and we are liaising with them to conclude the matter. However, it is proving difficult as we are trying to preserve most of the relevant clauses of our old constitution. But we are confident that we will be able to conclude the matter within the next few months.

We do hold events for women, but the women's participation in organising these events has been lacking. We have been trying hard to form a women's committee who can feed back to the Executives about women's issues. This year we have been very fortunate to have a women's learning co-ordinator who has taken responsibility in forming such a group who meet regularly to feedback their issues. They have developed an action plan which we will be delivered over the next twelve months. In addition to this, we also introduced a women's supplement; An Nisa, in our monthly publication Paigaam which is planned and composed purely by women volunteers. The

committee is very grateful to those women who have taken time out of their busy schedules to volunteer for the betterment of the ladies in our community.

As a result of a few small service level agreements, after a brief lull in adult learning provision, we have restarted offerings of short courses such as information technology for beginners, English language courses, child care courses etc. We are hoping to build on this in the future.

The young people's sub-committee have been very active and have been meeting regularly. They have been instrumental in creating more provisions at the centre for the young people in our community.

The Elected Members group have been meeting every three weeks to manage, develop new provisions and to oversee the work of the Society. The sub-committees have been working very hard to plan and to deliver various events and activities. I am very grateful to all the Elected Members, sub-committee volunteers and the staff.

We also acted on the suggestion to create an advisory group put forward at the AGM. First meeting was called which was attended by our elders and ex-chairs whose names were recommended.

I would now like to highlight some of the events and work that have been carried out in the last twelve months:

1. As mentioned before we organised an awareness raising event about the Gaza conflict which was very well attended. In addition to the public event, on behalf of the members we organised a petition and also wrote to various stakeholders including the Prime Minister and the Israeli Embassy expressing our concern. This was backed up by the fund raising appeal which attracted a substantial fund (in excess of £120,00) which was distributed through our partner organisation in Gaza.

2. As ever the Charity sub-committee have been very pro-active and various appeals

were launched, of which the collected donations were distributed. The major appeals include; Somerset flood relief, Kashmir flood relief, Muzaffar Nagar (India) riot appeal, Syria appeal etc. The success of all the appeals is a culmination of hard work by all the area masjids as well as three masaajids from Dewsbury who joined our Somerset flood appeal. So we are thankful to everyone who helped us with these.

3. One of the major achievements this year has to be the launch of Radio IMWS. We have set up an internet based radio that broadcasts 24/7 and is available anywhere in the world provided that there is an internet connection. The programmes include topical debates on current affairs, health, Islamic programmes, a popular Gujarati programme, Kids' zone etc. the radio has proved very popular and it is an effective tool to communicate with our members as well as the local community. I thank all the volunteers and staff who give their time and commitment in making Radio IMWS a success.

4. A Khatme Nabuwat conference was organised by the elected members which was led by a renowned scholar from overseas.

5. A Seerat conference was organised in May. Many prolific speakers delivered the account of our beloved prophet (pbuh) and both Urdu and English language listeners were catered for.

6. The youth sub-committee organised an annual fun day for men at the centre which was attended by approximately fifteen hundred people in a short span of time. There was something for all age ranges and it proved hugely successful.

7. As a character building event the youth sub-committee also organised a weekend country retreat for young people. About forty young people along with ten

volunteers including two esteemed local scholars attended. The feedback was five star and those who attended commented that this was the best event IMWS have ever done and it should be annualised.

8. The cricket coaching for young people took place at the centre for a period of ten weeks. As usual this proved very successful.

9. We have also opened up a youth activity session on a weekly basis. This is slowly gathering momentum.

10. The women volunteers organised a fun day just before Ramadhan. This proved hugely successful and it included rides for young children, different stalls, other recreational activities etc. A big thank you to all those ladies who helped out in organising the fun day.

11. As a result of feedback from the new comers to Islam (reverts), we organised an event exclusively for them, so that the integration process of those new comers with the existing local Muslims becomes much easier and they feel a part of the community.

12. Due to popular demand from our members we held a Gujarati Mushaira for the very first time at the centre. This proved a big hit and we will continue to hold similar Mushairas every year.

In addition to these events there are other services that we provide on a regular basis which include a weekly women's session which we funded from our own resources, where the local elderly women come together once a week to meet in a dedicated hall made available for them. We also hold a service level agreement with the Kirklees council to deliver services for young people (both boys and girls) at our centre during which various activities take place.

The committee, as always, is working hard to improve the other facilities and resources. The com-

mittee members are always looking at various ways of improving the services offered. We are also looking at ways of cost reduction and making the organisation much more streamlined. We are very fortunate to have those people who are willing to give up their time in helping the community. However, I still believe that there is a lot of talent out there in our community and I would urge those people to come forward to help deliver an even better service for our members, as well as the other centre users. Contrary to the perception of a 'closed doors' policy, we are indeed very open and welcoming to new volunteers. Remember, in order to join the sub-committees you do not have to be serving on the elected members' group or the Executive committee. If you feel that you have something to offer and if you want to make the difference please come forward and help us achieve greater things than ever.

We have got many more plans for the future and we need many more volunteers! Some of these plans include the following:

- > Developing an outdoor football facility
- > On site / off-site library
- > Development of a heritage centre
- > An Islamic match making service for people looking for partners
- > Credit Union
- > Introduction of different banqueting style wedding packages

Finally, my thanks go to every volunteer, staff, and general member who contributed to the Society's work.

**Mohamed Mulla
Chair
IMWS**



Centre Manager's overview

We live in an era where success and failure is measured in many different ways but ultimately the Al-Hikmah Centre will always be judged for the value of service it provides to the people it serves and rightly so.

As this review will highlight, our work has been about getting the right balance between necessary short term action and sensible long term planning for the future. During the year, we continued to make progress and efficiency improvements throughout our core business and maintained delivery of our existing services. However, there remains much work still to be done which will provide the basis for tackling the challenges which the Society will ultimately face in the future.

We have ahead of us many financial challenges to maintain and improve our impressive facilities and services at the centre. This will require striking the right balance between growing the organisation whilst ensuring that we retain the capacity to deliver on our existing core service provisions.

Adult Education:

We re-started our delivery of adult educational classes from the centre targeting in particular women from the most disadvantaged in our community. We had a successful year and delivered a range of courses to meet the needs of those wanting to get back into learning. The ESOL courses have been very popular and learners have made good progress in learning the English language. Introduction to IT courses have also been well attended and many have learnt the basics of using a computer and their new found skills have opened up exciting opportunities for further learning and employment. Sewing, mehndi and cake decorating courses have been over subscribed and many learners have now considered becoming self employed. Our learners have gained valuable skills, improved their confidence, developed their language and personal skills and have progressed onto further learning. We will continue to provide excellent adult learning provision at the Centre and develop valuable progression opportunities for our learners in the future.

Working with Young People & Women in the Community:

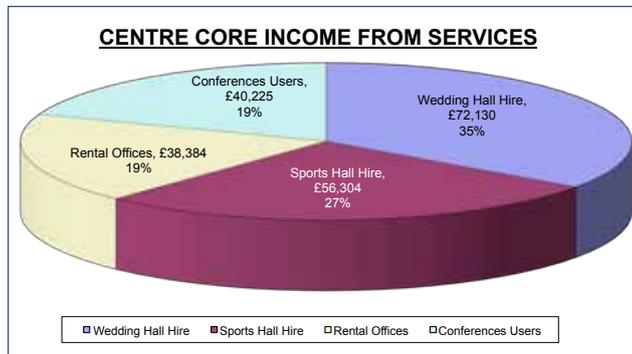
There have been a number of initiatives we have explored during the year engaging young people from our community. Currently we have sporting and recreational classes running in our sports hall on Saturday afternoons for our junior boys from the ages of 8 till 12 years (3 pm-4.30 pm) followed by senior boys taking over from the ages of 12 till 16 years (4.30 pm – 6.00 pm). Whilst on Sunday afternoons (1.30 pm – 3.30 pm) we have special sessions for young girls from the age of 8 years upwards.

We promised to continue providing Monday sessions for elderly women and we have done this throughout the year. We are hoping to expand the range of services we provide in the next few months and would encourage more and more women to come along and participate.

Other activities which have continued at the centre include special tajweed classes for women on a Monday and Tuesday afternoons (1.15 pm – 2.45 pm); the ever popular aerobic classes on a Tuesday evening (5.15 pm – 6.15 pm); Keep fit classes on a Wednesday evening (7.00 pm – 8.00 pm) and intense circuit training on Friday evening (8.00 pm – 9.00 pm).

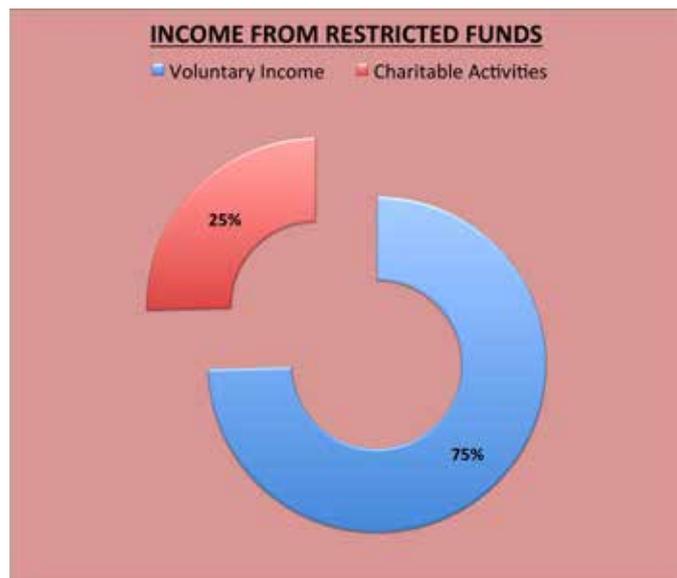
Finally, it is impossible to highlight all the activities and successes in this review but I hope this provides a good snap shot. I would like to thank my colleagues for their unstinting support, dedication and hard work and to all those people inside and outside the organisation who have offered their valuable assistance to me. As always, if you have any ideas or suggestions on improving the centre or services then the Society is keen to hear from you as this type of feedback and dialogue is essential for the Society to develop a more focus and forward thinking strategy.

Musa Kazi
Centre Manager

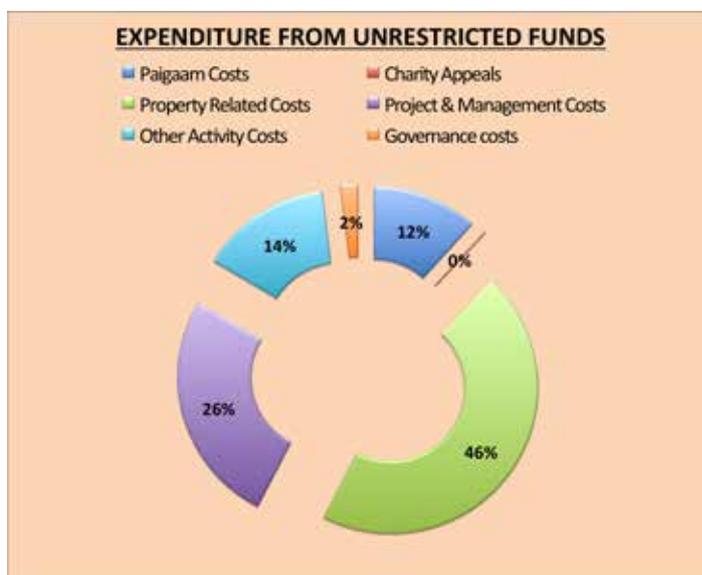
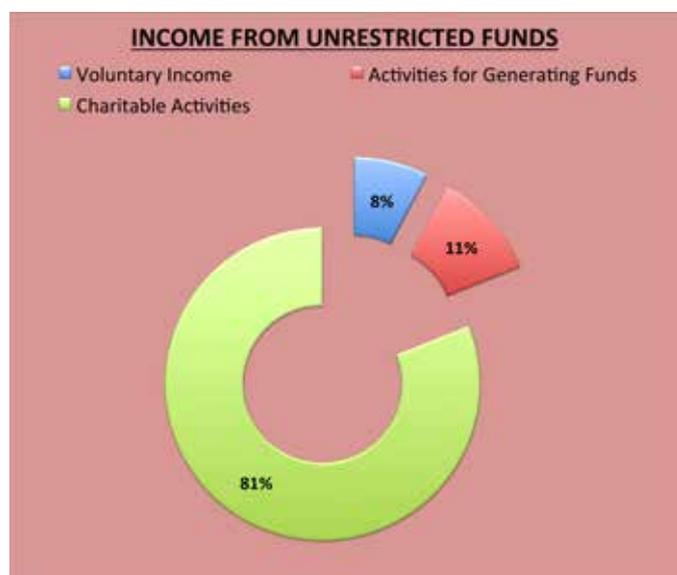


Financial overview

INCOME FROM RESTRICTED FUNDS		EXPENDITURE FROM RESTRICTED FUNDS	
Charity Appeals	£254,223	Charity Appeals	£285,239
Charitable Activities	£86,717	Property Related Costs	£5,813
		Project & Management Costs	£48,952
		Other Activity Costs	£45,181
Total	£340,940	Total	£385,185



INCOME FROM UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		EXPENDITURE FROM UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
Voluntary Income	£21,361	Paigaam Costs	£35,322
Activities for Generating Funds	£31,328	Charity Appeals	£700
Charitable Activities	£226,200	Property Related Costs	£138,245
		Project & Management Costs	£78,716
		Other Activity Costs	£43,902
		Governance costs	£5,940
Total	£278,889	Total	£302,825



Burial sub-committee

*“Every Soul Will Taste Death.”
Quraan, Surah Al-Imran [3:185]*

A Hadith in Bukhari Sharif says that the one who performs funeral prayers gets a reward of one qiraat and the one who participates in burial gets reward of two qiraats. When asked what is a qiraat, Prophet SAW replied, “Reward equal to two huge mountains.”

The above quotes from Hadith mubarak, encourage us all to do good work, to facilitate and help families who face the difficult task of sending their loved ones to the first leg of their final journey to meet their creator. This is the time when a person dearly needs a family, and a family desperately needs the help of a caring community.

As per norm, the IMWS Burial subcommittee meet frequently during the course of the year to look at various ways we can maintain and improve these important services we provide to members of community, and share their pain and sorrow during the bereavement. A brief description of various issues and concerns explored by committee during course of the year was as herewith.

Follow up from the previous year, the active volunteer group had further training and are now working in their own designated areas with a view to gain firsthand experience of the whole process. At the same time, the group share workload from Haji Gulambhai Maniyar who has provided his esteemed services to the community for over forty years. May Almighty give him just reward in both worlds and keep him guiding us with his invaluable experience for many years to come. Ameen.

A group of volunteers visited the Digital Autopsy facility in Bradford run by Malaysian company iGenei. This is ground breaking forensic science technology which may mean that eventually up to seventy percent of post mortems could be non-evasive. By visiting this facility, they acquired a firsthand experience of its workings, which they can pass on to bereaved families, if and when required. The group also looked into various ways of announcement of death and timings of burial. Frequently, the difficult issue of disposal of religious material kept cropping up and we rightly felt that it is ultimately



the duty of individuals to take care of such material and dispose of in a correct manner.

Future provision for Batley cemetery and our cooperation with North Kirklees Burial group was looked into with satisfaction, that those matters are dealt with our good liaison with concerned parties. Issues regarding revert population living within our community was looked into and new consent forms now been prepared to help any revert Muslims to assist them when they require it. With great satisfaction we can report dismissal of coroner Peter Straker in whose departure we played rightful part by petition and lobbying. We have invited new coroner Martin Fleming and looking forward to work with him and his colleagues in mutually beneficial relation.

There are few more issues for us to consider for the future, such as exploring the possibility of setting up a separate fund to assist any family in need with the cost of funeral. There is also a need of setting up a group of youth volunteers, who can assist bereaved families in physical tasks such as grave filling. Concerns were also raised for traffic congestion on Eid days around the local cemeteries and we as a community should be taking steps not to hinder other road users as that is contrary to the teachings of Islam.

Finally I ask for forgiveness for all our mistakes and shortcomings. Hope you all understand that these worthwhile services are carried out by members who have the interest of bereaved families paramount in their heart and trying their best in the true spirit of Islam.

Ilyas Norat
CHAIR
Burial sub-committee

Community Affairs

sub-committee

The role of this sub-committee is to organise a range of activities to engage with our affiliated area committees, members and wider community to improve relationships and develop constructive partnership working. This year the community affairs committee was amalgamated with the health and education committee. The health group was led by Mohammed Laher .

Over the last year this sub committee has completed the following activities:

- Annual Lecture – this year’s annual lecture was delivered by Mend in January 2014 with a host of speakers which included Sufyan Ismail doing the presentation on ‘Islamophobia: Causes and Cures’.

- Seerat Event Programme – We had a very successful programme in May 2014. The programme was entitled “In the footsteps of Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him)”. We had various speakers and Ulemahs from Bury, Leicester, London, Sheffield and locally. They all delivered fantastic and revealing insights of our prophet and the evening was extremely successful which was attended by many people. I would like to thank all the volunteers and everyone who kindly assisted and gave their free time on the day to make the event a success.

- The Education group have arranged teaching at our centre for young people in English and Maths.

- Collection of literature of local authors – this is in progress and we need more literature to add to our collection.

- A Carrom Board Competition principally was organised by Ebrahim G. Karolia. This was a very enjoyable and successful event which was won by Muzzaffar Pathan. It is hoped the event will be held annually in the future.

- The Internet Radio has now started and is up and running. Members from various committees are involved in the legal, current affairs, health, education and youth programmes.

- The Health Committee has met with the local CGT Trust on a few occasions and have discussed the services been provided by the local hospitals.

- To continue a database for all members of our society and ensure we have more effective and efficient communication with each other.

- To provide further educational opportunities for our youngsters including working with other successful schools in other areas and to exchange ideas.

- Counselling and marital mediation – this has been explored through some meetings but a lot more work needs to be done to ascertain the feasibility of providing these services.

- There will be an important election in 2015 and we hope to have candidates from the three major political parties to debate the issues of the day.

Finally I would like thank everyone including all our members who have assisted me and provided their valuable and free time to ensure our society remains a thriving organisation and deliver extremely beneficial programmes in the future. Please note any member is welcome to join our sub-committees and contribute in the future. This will certainly assist in making the next year a successful one.

Baser Akoodie

CHAIR

Community Affairs sub-committee

Paigaam sub-committee



Paigaam has historically expressed the needs and concerns of the community, taken on new challenges and been a medium to share the achievements of the society. This is an ethos we endeavour to stand by. The continued support of our readers has allowed Paigaam to delve into important articles that matter to our local community. Content has included exclusive interviews; supporting local, national and international campaigns; highlighting the positive contribution made by our community; individual and collective achievements; and challenging stereotypes to mention a few.

In 2013 we introduced An-Nisa, as a supplement run by a volunteer group of local women. It has created its own importance and identity within the Paigaam framework, with meaningful and relevant articles. A highlight for the An-Nisa team was pulling off the biggest local ladies and kids fun day of the year which had over 50 stalls, 20+ children's activities and a footfall of around 2500. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and dedication and to thank the sisters involved for making the An-Nisa Fun Day such a glowing success, and to thank the sisters who contribute to the publication. I hope more sisters will join in to continue the supplement's success.

Over the past year we have taken greater steps in the area of digital media. A new website which allows our staff to manage in real time has been a great success receiving around 20,000 views each month. The website has become a medium to promote events, courses and facilities at the Centre. A mobile IMWS app has also been developed which allows quicker access via smart phones to Namaaz timetable, information and services at the centre.

The digital revolution does not stop there. We now have a number of Facebook and Twitter pages representing various parts of the organisation. Over the past year social media has become a medium through which our achievements have been shared

with the wider community. It has also been a source through which local people have been made aware of courses and programmes taking place at the centre, and has brought in revenue through promoting our facilities.

In the much-anticipated 2015 calendar we decided to celebrate our organisation by placing snap shot images of buildings of the organisation and affiliate masjids. It gave a much more personal touch and reminds us of the effort behind establishing them and how we should cherish and frequent each. I thank all the individual people who have contributed over many years on our Gujarati and Urdu columns this has helped to make Paigaam a unique trilingual publication.

Paigaam is the perfect medium for advertisers to reach their customers it is distributed through fifteen local Masjids, local retail outlets, waiting rooms and community centres. The publication is also available online via the IMWS website and on your phone via the IMWS mobile app.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the advertisers for their custom, some of whom have been with us for over a decade. Please continue to support the magazine through your adverts.

It goes without saying that all the above would not have been possible without the continued support and unstinting commitment from the volunteers on our subcommittee, the sisters group on An-Nisa and our dedicated staff.

Finally, I ask our readers to continue sending in your valuable feedback, comments and letters to continue making Paigaam a relevant meaningful voice.

Ahmed Variava
CHAIR
Paigaam sub-committee

Radio IMWS

report



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Radio IMWS was launched on 22 May 2014 with the general aim of connecting with the Indian Muslim Welfare Society (IMWS) membership and the wider community. It is an internet based radio facility, also accessible through the home receivers. Currently the programmes are broadcast over three evenings and one afternoon in the week from the brand new studio based at Al-Hikmah Centre. The programmes are repeated during the daytime.

The programmes include a wide range of topics of interest including Islamic themes, Current Affairs, Health, Education Matters, Legal and dedicated Gujarati and young people's slots. To date there have been a multitude of guests on the shows including renowned ulema-e-kiraam, medical practitioners, legal executives, politicians, community activists, local and national poets, school headteachers and governors.

The 'Madressah Mastermind' (children's Islamic knowledge quiz) and Gujarati Mushaira were two very successful live events hosted by Radio IMWS from Al-Hikmah Centre.

It is very much hoped that Radio IMWS will be able to further develop a community broadcasting service that encourages active community involvement, raising awareness of various issues of concern. It is an excellent medium for promoting events and activities organised by the IMWS and its affiliated organisations. Anyone interested in joining the Radio IMWS team are more than welcome... please contact the IMWS office for further information.

All the presenters and assistants apart from a part-time staff member are volunteers with wide range of skills, expertise and experience. Their contribution has been tremendous and the success of Radio IMWS is largely due to their commitment, passion and dedication. May the Almighty reward everyone involved with Radio IMWS for their efforts. Ameen.

Ayub Bismillah
CHAIR
Radio IMWS

Women's sub-committee



The IMWS Women's sub-committee has been recently established and is going from strength to strength.

We are members of the community who share a passionate interest in addressing, promoting and improving the religious, cultural, social and educational needs of women in the Batley and the surrounding areas.

Thus far we have successfully conducted an online survey to find out about the needs of our community and the issues which matter to local sisters. The survey was found to be very successful with a high volume of response.

This information has been used to create action plans looking at constructive ways to tackle some of the issues highlighted from our findings. The survey was also helpful to establish the type of events and functions that would interest local women.

Some of the areas that were found to need addressing in the local community include better and more open understanding of mental and physical health, tackling the serious issue of domestic abuse/violence include avenues of help and having more educational courses to help promote hobbies and business initiatives.

Through discussions and research we found that these can be best addressed through holding workshops to promote and encourage awareness, developing better signposting for services that may be able to help as well as improving the reach of the

Information, advice and guidance available, writing relevant articles in Pai-gaam/An nisa and organising trips.

Recently we have also hosted a fiqh workshop on menstruation delivered by a qualified specialist in the field. The full day course dealt with intricate matters which sisters often may find difficult to ask and in some cases and parts become a refresher course for around 100 sisters who attended. By providing quality learning opportunities such as this workshop,

will help to develop knowledge and skills of women in our community which will be useful in every day life.

Volunteers run the Women's sub-committee, like all the committees at the centre, and we are pleased to have a number of enthusiastic sisters who are all aiming to improve the life and welling being of local women.

As can be appreciated, being recently formed has meant establishing key guidelines and gathering key information. In the coming year we hope the work done in identifying what local women want can transpire into delivering a diverse range of activities to meet the needs of our sisters.

Though we will continue to work for the betterment of our community our doors are open to all our sisters who wish to help in any way. If there are any issues you would like the women's committee to address or would like to join the group please contact the Centre or email: info@imws.org.uk. We will endeavour to continue to improve the diverse opportunities of women in our community.

**Shamim Ali
Women's
sub-committee**

Youth sub-committee

First and Foremost All Praise is to The Almighty for giving us the opportunity to be part of another successful year for the Youth Sub-Committee. An experience which was fleeting and exciting for our dedicated individuals, young and old, from our community. Individuals who have a strong vision for the betterment for all, to empower, motivate and inspire every person towards success. Support from Maulana Yunus Patel, the former chair, is highly appreciated as his experience and expertise is a great advantage as is the support and commitment of the youth team which plays a major role in the success towards meeting our aims.

Below I have highlighted the main areas which we worked on this year.

1st ANNUAL FIFA FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT (March 2014)

This brought together excited youngsters from our local Madrassahs to participate in a tournament on our Play-Station 4. A gift voucher prize of £20 for the winner and £10 for the runner up was set and gamers aged 11-19 played competitively. Overall a fantastic success and the FIFA Tournament will now be an annual event in our youth calendar.

YOUTH CLUB

Initially the group agreed the youth club to open on a weekday (Tuesday) evening. Feedback suggested weekends are usually taken up due to family commitments and other activities. However the uptake was not as expected therefore we adapted the change around an existing youth programme of indoor football which takes place on Saturday afternoons at the centre. We also continue to promote through our Madrassahs.

Meeting with the group who wanted to support the youth projects

The Youth Sub-Committee always welcome positive feedback and even criticism respectively and this was highly visible at the 2014 AGM. However this feedback and criticism should always be followed up with support, encouragement and engagement. Therefore we called a meeting for people who put their names down at the AGM, although the attendance was dire, we did have positive outcomes especially from Maulana Muhammad Mota who will support on future projects such as the new Helpline.

IMWS 1st ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE – (May)

This event saw us team up with our Community Affairs Sub-Committee and SAWT (a local youth organisation) and all praise to our Creator it was a great success. The event focused on a role model to empower us to follow in the footsteps of Muhammad PBUH. We chose different renowned scholars from across the UK to inspire us. The event received excellent feedback especially from attendees who were grateful that a unique gathering for both brothers and sisters was organised, where they learnt so much. I believe we should continue this as an annual event in the IMWS Calendar.

IMWS 2nd ANNUAL UNITY FUNDAY (August)

Our Annual Funday, with the ethos of bringing the whole community together and sure it did that for those that partook. The executive and elected members organised the delicious BBQ for us and we applaud them for all their hard graft. We decided to bring in new rides such as the 'Zorb Ball' and introduced funfair rides to increase the excitement, especially for the children. The funfair is something, which can get better and better as it develops, and a strong team of dedicated volunteer contributed to this, whom we thank. Next year the aim is growth and more fun.

IMWS 1st ANNUAL ISLAMIC YOUTH RETREAT (August)

This was probably the highlight and most anticipated event of our youth subcommittee calendar. A weekend full of fun: deeni knowledge, excitement, team building and much more. We bought together youth aged 14+ to take part in our Islamic retreat set at Kingswood Activity Centre in Doncaster. Activities included rope climbing, kayaking, leap of faith, etc. After every Salaah we arrange reminders and naseeha by our local Scholars Maulana Suleiman Makda and Maulana Mangera Sahib. Our excellent feedback means we will continue and develop this to make it an annual event.

- Cricket Coaching is an ongoing successful activity which we thank our partners who help in this and may it continue to grow and develop our aspiring children.

- Football coaching is also due to commence on a weekly basis every Sunday at the IMWS Sports.

- We have agreed to distribute a questionnaire which members will receive and hope from this we can build on the feedback.

- We are in the process of developing a Helpline to assist our community, especially our youth to communicate and ask questions to our scholars in a confidential manner, on a weekly basis.

I would like to end my report by thanking every individual who took part in supporting our projects and I strongly believe that the opportunity to do righteous deeds is a blessing granted to us from the Almighty. When we see good being done we must outweigh and put aside negativity and aim towards righteousness.

I strongly encourage more and more young people from all backgrounds to join our Youth Sub-Committee and Projects. We want to do much more, but need more volunteers. We pray the Almighty accept our mere efforts and grant us sincerity and continuity in our work to make it a success of both lives. (Aameen)

More about our projects can be found at our facebook page: IMWS Youth Batley

Hafez Moosa Rawat
Chair
Youth sub-committee

Charity Fund sub-committee

It gives me great pleasure to present this report detailing the many activities undertaken by the group in the past year, during which over £285k was distributed to help improve the lives of so many people around the world.

In December 2013 we raised money to help people in the Philippines after it was devastated by Typhoon Haiyan. The island country was hit by the worst storm recorded, leaving 600,000 homeless and millions in desperate need of food and water.

At the same time, we also continued to support our brothers and sisters affected by the riots in Muzaffarnagar district, Uttar Pradesh, India.

In March 2014 our efforts focused closer to home as we launched an appeal to help flood-affected communities in Somerset. The joint appeal saw Rabetah-al-Ulama and Masaajids in Dewsbury and Huddersfield working closely to raise £16k. Representatives from the Society, Masaajids and Rabetah travelled down to Somerset where they were joined by brothers from the Taunton and Somerset Islamic Centre to hand over funds to the Somerset Community Foundation.

The Bishop of Taunton, Rt. Revd Peter Maurice who helped organise the visit said he welcomed the "wonderful gesture of solidarity from one community to another". The visit was well received locally and we were able to see at first-hand how the floods had devastated the community.

The trip was covered by the local BBC station and I am sure most of you have probably seen the clip that was available on the BBC website.

Support was also provided to our brothers and sister in Gaza earlier in the year by way of 400 food packages distributed to needy families.

Orphans in Need completed the construction of a new Village in Delhi – a venture we had supported by way of a donation last year. Rafik bhai Dabhad attended the launch ceremony last June to represent the Society.

July saw the conflict in Gaza and how can anyone forget the suffering of our brothers and sisters and the many innocent lives that were lost. Israeli attacks resulted in large-scale destructions – people being dis-

placed, houses as well as schools, mosques, hospitals and medical centres being wholly/partially destroyed.

The Society launched an Emergency appeal supported with broadcast via our Radio and we are extremely grateful to everyone who contributed so generously.

We worked closely with our partner charity, The Palestinian Welfare House Association (PWH) to ensure the funds collected were remitted as quickly as possible so that people could benefit by way of basic needs such as food, clothing and medication.

Initial support was provided by distribution of zakat monies to poor and orphan families, food packages, kitchen tools, first aid bags, cups of water, financial aid to injured persons at hospitals and medication for the Shifa Hospital.

Support has also been provided through an Income Generation programme (through Grants & Soft Loans for Small Enterprise Projects) and purchase of school bags and uniforms for junior and senior students to help rebuild their lives.

We also managed to secure a live link on Radio IMWS with Jomah Al Najjar, Chairman of PWH who was able to give us real time/first hand updates from Gaza both in terms of what was happening and how our donations were being utilised.

Our Iftaar appeal this year saw us help our brothers and sisters in both Muzaffarnagar and Syria. Donations were used to purchase family Iftaar packs containing a supply of quality assorted food products, carefully selected by nutrition experts.

We managed to secure a live link on the radio with Hafez Asim Qasmi, Chairman of Tayyab Hospital & Educational Trust (as part of our six hour live appeal) who gave information on the food packages which were going to be distributed in Muzaffarnagar. A donation for Gaza was also made from funds already raised through the Society's Charity Fund.

Sadaqatul Fitr donations were collected and distributed to our brothers and sisters in both Gambia and Bangladesh through clothes packs distributed to the needy.

The latter part of the year saw the devastating floods in Jammu & Kashmir which wreaked havoc, claimed

many lives, and left 1 million people displaced. Support was by way of food parcels and blankets and quilts.

Donations have also been received throughout the year to continue supporting our brothers and sisters in Syria, including donations towards a bread making factory and a school project.

We are thankful to the many people who have supported the Society throughout the year and generously contributed to the appeals. We are also grateful to our affiliated Masaajids for all their support and co-operation. The work that we have done would not have been possible without this.

We are also grateful to all of our partner charities for their help in the successful delivery of the various projects. The Society has built excellent relationships with each of these over the years and it certainly helps us to ensure that funds that are collected are distributed correctly.

The Society continues working to a 100% donation policy, which means every penny donated actually goes to the poor and needy - no monies are ever used towards any administration related costs. In addition, careful consideration is always given to ensure all monies are properly categorised and distributed correctly with advice from our local learned and esteemed Ulamaa.

The Society also ensures as part of its activities that we receive a detailed report following completion of each project and copies of these are available at the Al Hikmah Centre.

Please note that our fundraising efforts for both Gaza and Syria are ongoing and please continue to contribute as much as you can towards this noble cause.

In finishing, we pray that the Almighty alleviates the suffering of our brothers and sisters throughout the world. May the Almighty accept our continued efforts, forgive our shortcomings and rewards us all abundantly for our efforts both in this world and the Hereafter. Aameen

**Hafez Mahmood Ebrahim Patel
Chair
Charity Fund sub-committee**

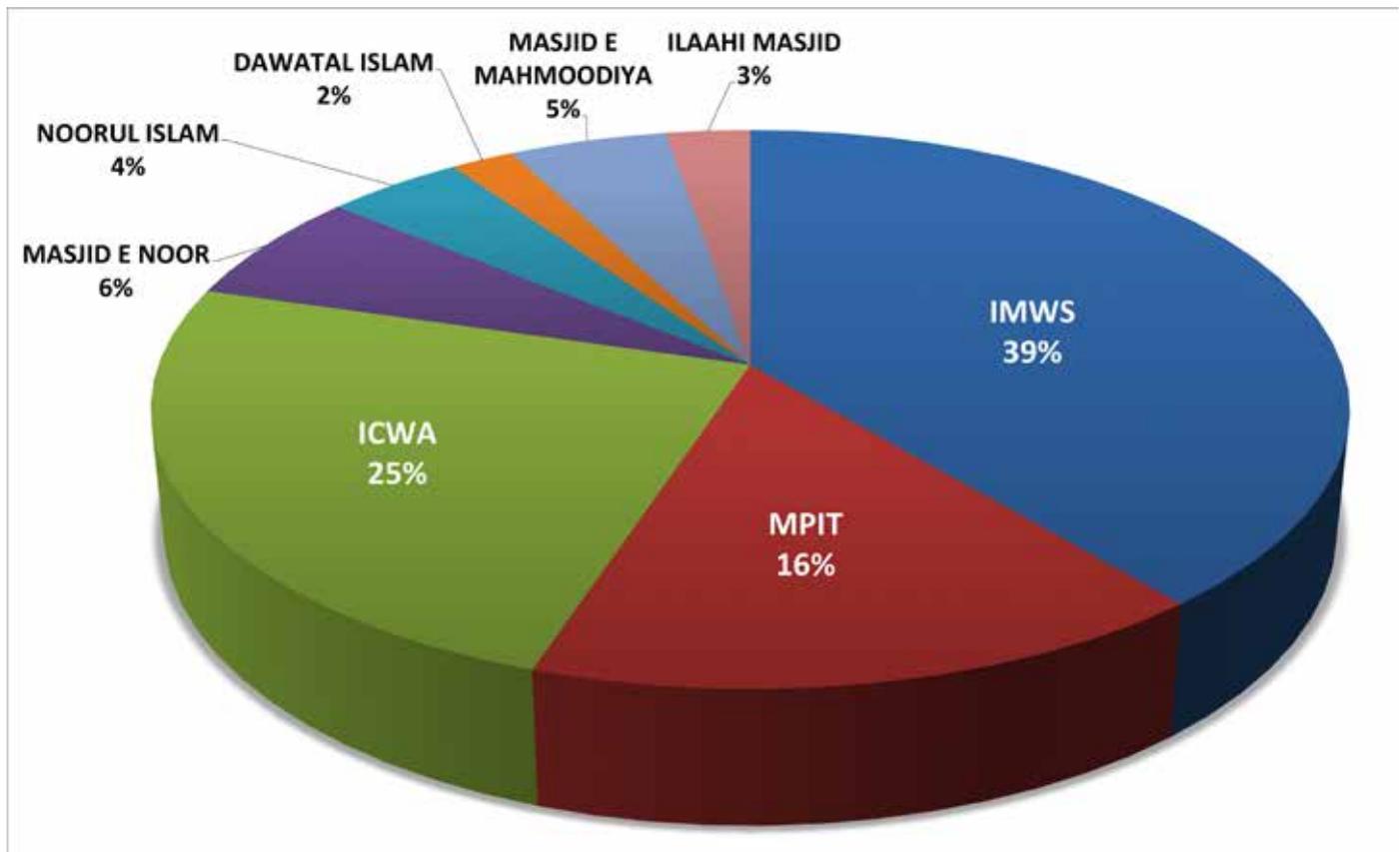
Charity Fund overview

TOTAL CHARITY MONIES COLLECTED PER AFFILIATES

Period: 1 October 2013

till: 30 September 2014

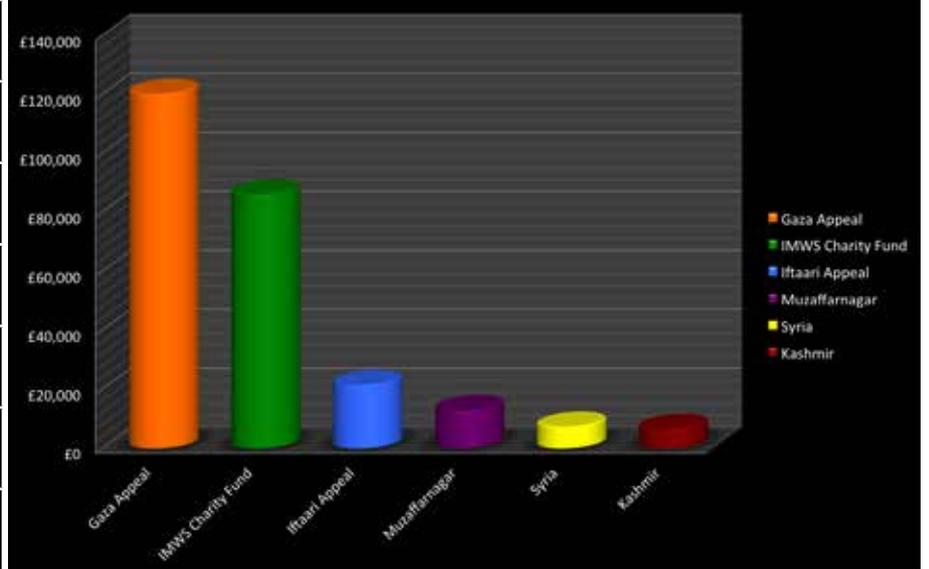
	IMWS	ICWA	MPIT	Masjid E Noor	Noor ul Islam	Ilaahi Masjid	Dawatal Islam	Masjid E-Mahmoodiyah	TOTAL
Zakat	66,243	36,166	26,503	6,649	5,026	4,010	3,235	6,719	154,551
Sadaqa	16,150	10,613	3,713	6,097	3,247	976	509	2,116	43,421
Lillah	13,420	9,839	5,935	1,315	1,787	703	362	2,243	35,604
Interest	1,765	2,075	2,693	407	550		137	295	7,922
Fitra	1,050	3,551	2,022	1,970	400	1,071	853	1,245	12,162
Fidya	473	90							563
Total	99,101	62,334	40,866	16,438	11,010	6,760	5,096	12,618	£254,223



MONIES RAISED FOR HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

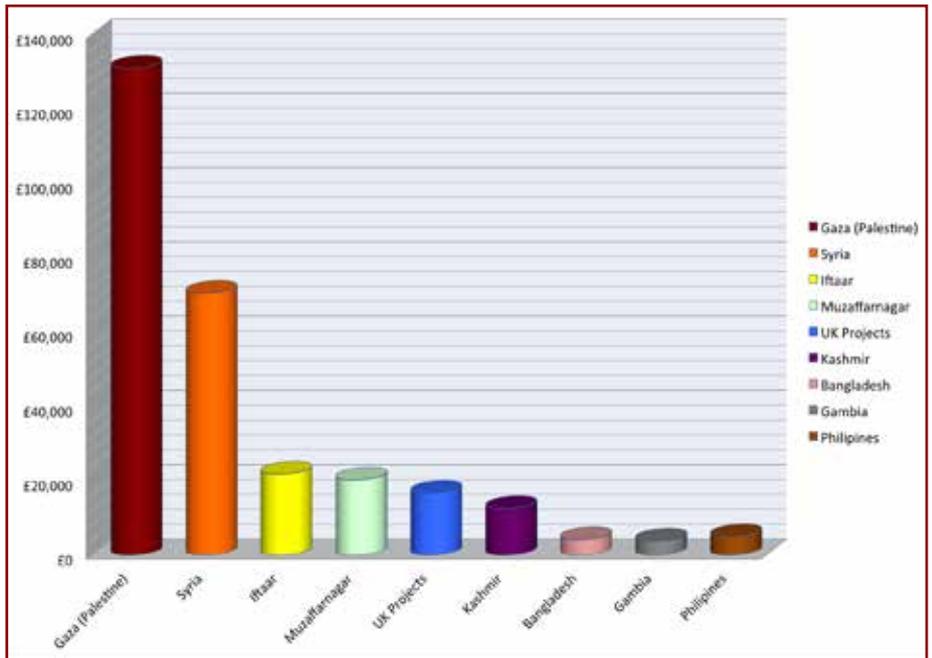
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Gaza Appeal	£120,179
IMWS Charity Fund	£86,093
Iftaari Appeal	£21,461
Muzaffarnagar	£12,778
Syria	£7,268
Kashmir	£6,444
TOTAL	£254,223



WHERE WE HAVE PROVIDED HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

Gaza (Palestine)	£131,100
Syria	£70,500
Iftaar	£21,799
Muzaffarnagar	£20,250
UK Projects	£16,700
Kashmir	£12,540
Bangladesh	£4,225
Gambia	£3,825
Philippines	£5,000
TOTAL	£285,939



Trustees Statement on Financial Summary Information

The following pages are a summary of the information of both the Statement of Financial Activities and the balance sheet included in the full accounts of the charity.

The full accounts have been audited by Forrest Burlinson Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors of Dewsbury. An unqualified report was issued on 16 January 2015.

The information on these pages includes all the activities of IMWS covered in more detail in the full accounts. The full accounts including the statutory Trustees Report and the Auditors Report are available at the Al-Hikmah Centre.

The full accounts for the year ended 30 September 2014 were approved by the trustees on 16 January 2015, and will be submitted to the Charity Commission, subject to approval at the Annual General Meeting on 28 February 2015.

This statement was approved by the trustees on 16 January 2015 and signed on their behalf.

Trustee



Trustee



Independent Auditors' Statement to the members of The Indian Muslim Welfare Society

We have examined the summarised financial statements, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet. This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Auditors

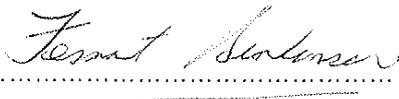
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Review and Summary Financial Statements. Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the summarised financial statements within the Annual Review with the full statutory Annual Report and Accounts. We also read the other information contained within the Annual Review and Supplement and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summarised financial statements.

Basis of Audit Opinion

We have conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/3 *The auditors' statement on the summary financial statements* issued by the Auditing Practices Board. Our report on the charity's full annual financial statements describes the basis of our opinion on those financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the summary financial statement is consistent with the full Annual Accounts of The Indian Muslim Welfare Society for the year ended 30 September 2014 and complies with the applicable requirements of the Charities Act 2011.



16 January 2015

Forrest Burlinson statutory auditor
20 Owl Lane, Shawcross, Dewsbury, West Yorkshire

INDIAN MUSLIM WELFARE SOCIETY
Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 30 September 2014

Charity No. 1067746

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total
	Notes	2014 £	2014 £	2014 £	2013 £
Incoming Resources					
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds:</i>					
Voluntary income	2	21,361	254,223	275,584	127,354
Activities for generating funds	3	31,328	--	31,328	30,830
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities:</i>					
	4	226,200	86,717	312,917	371,955
Total Incoming Resources		278,889	340,940	619,829	530,139
Resources Expended					
<i>Costs of generating funds:</i>					
Paigaam costs	5	35,322	--	35,322	31,569
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Charity appeals	6	700	285,239	285,939	117,395
Property related costs	7	138,245	5,813	144,058	165,795
Project and Centre management costs	8	78,716	48,952	127,668	175,703
Other activity costs	9	43,902	45,181	89,083	99,253
<i>Governance costs</i>	10	5,940	--	5,940	6,455
Total resources expended		302,825	385,185	688,010	596,170
Net (outgoing) incoming resources before transfers		(23,936)	(44,245)	(68,181)	(66,031)
Gross transfers between funds	19,20	(12,153)	12,153	--	--
Net movement in funds	12	(36,089)	(32,092)	(68,181)	(66,031)
Total funds brought forward		1,584,783	94,928	1,679,711	1,745,742
Total funds carried forward	19,20	1,548,694	62,836	1,611,530	1,679,711

There were no recognised gains or losses for the year ended 30 September 2013 or the year ended 30 September 2014 other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

INDIAN MUSLIM WELFARE SOCIETY

Charity No. 1067746

Balance Sheet

As at 30 September 2014

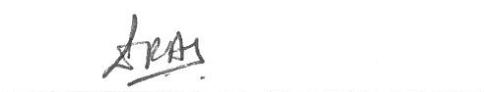
	Notes	Unrestricted General Fund 2014 £	Unrestricted Property Fund 2014 £	Unrestricted Other Designated 2014 £	Restricted Funds 2014 £	Total Funds 2014 £	Total 2013 £
Fixed Assets							
Tangible Assets	15	37,476	1,148,287	--	2,850	1,188,613	1,213,467
Current Assets							
Debtors	16	11,547	--	--	--	11,547	3,101
Charity Fund at bank		--	--	--	36,508	36,508	73,444
Cash at bank and in hand	17	194,900	--	187,280	27,198	409,378	426,122
Total Current Assets		206,447	--	187,280	63,706	457,433	502,667
Current Liabilities	18	30,796	--	--	3,720	34,516	36,423
Net Current Assets		175,651	--	187,280	59,986	422,917	466,244
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		213,127	1,148,287	187,280	62,836	1,611,530	1,679,711
Net Assets		213,127	1,148,287	187,280	62,836	1,611,530	1,679,711
The funds of the charity:							
Restricted Funds	20				62,836	62,836	94,928
Unrestricted Funds	19	213,127	1,148,287	187,280		1,548,694	1,584,783
		213,127	1,148,287	187,280	62,836	1,611,530	1,679,711

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 16 January 2015 and signed on their behalf by:



Trustee
M. Mulla (Chair)



Trustee
R. Dabhad (Treasurer)

Management structure

INDIAN MUSLIM WELFARE SOCIETY (IMWS)

Executive Trustees

CHAIR:	Mohamed Mulla
VICE CHAIR:	Saied Laher*
GENERAL SECRETARY:	Safwan Ahmed Patel
JOINT SECRETARY:	Hafiz Moosa Rawat
TREASURER:	Rafik Dabhad*
ASSISTANT TREASURER:	Hafiz Mahmood Patel*
ELECTED MEMBER:	Ahmed Variava
ELECTED MEMBER:	Ahmad Lunat OBE*
ELECTED MEMBER:	Mohammed E Laher
ELECTED MEMBER:	Baser Akoodie
ELECTED MEMBER:	Ilyas Norat
ELECTED MEMBER:	Abdul Aziz Daji

* Term Ends

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Rashid Soni
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Munir Daji

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Afzal Patel

MASJID-E-NOOR
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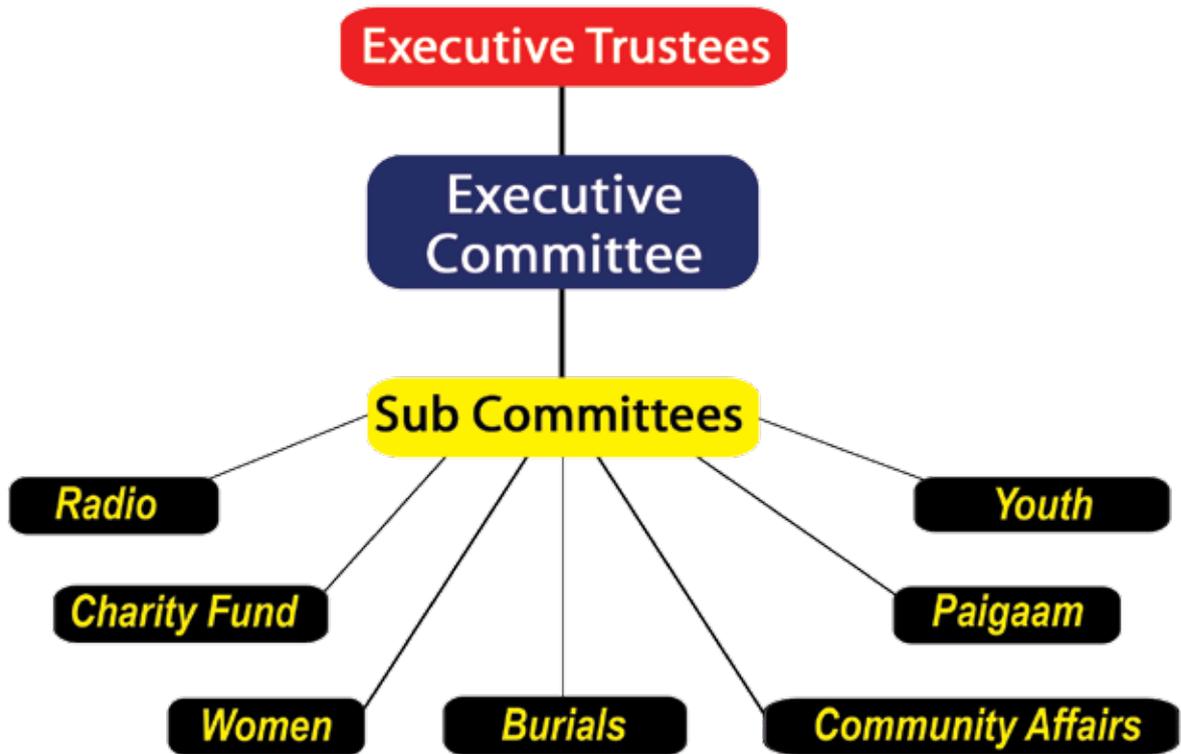
Property Trustees

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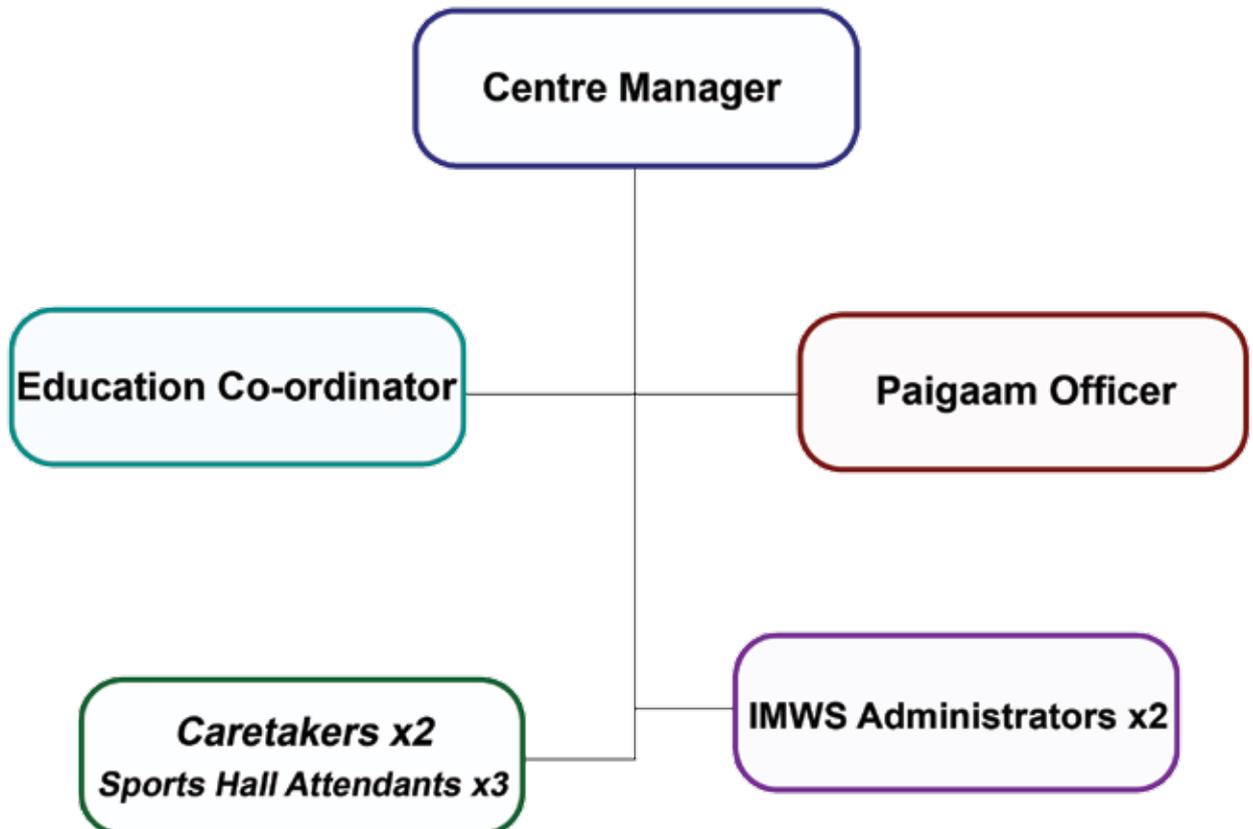
Membership Breakdown

ICWA	MPIT	Masjid E Noor	Noor ul Islam	Ilaahi Masjid	Dawatal Islam	Masjid E Mahmoodiyah	Total
607	942	258	280	149	215	340	2791

Organisational structure



Staffing Structure



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