WINSFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MASJID

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December, 2025 and confirm they comply with the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006, the trust deed and the Charities SORP 2005.

Reference and Administrative Information:

Charity Name : Winsford Community Centre and Mosque

Charity Registration Number : 1207332

Principal Office : 110 High Street, Winsford, Cheshire, CW7 2AP.

Board of Trustees:

1. **Mohammed Aslam**
2. **Pir Mohammad Mahmudul Hasan**
3. **Monuare Ali**

Structure, governance and

management

Governing document

Winsford Community Centre and Masjid is a Charitable Incorporated Organization registered as a Charity with the Charity Commission of England and Wales.It is governed by a constitution (last amended) on 14 December 2022.

Organisational structure

The charity trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. The trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other financial benefits.

The trustees meet together as a body monthly and are responsible for all decisions taken in relation to running the Mosque and the community facilities and the activities provided by the charity. To assist in the smooth running of the charity the trustees have set up a number of sub-committees that help them oversee certain aspects of the charity's work. Sub-committees are currently set up for finance and for the day-to-day management of the building and report back with their recommendations to the full meeting of the trustees. The sub-committees each meet six times a year, on alternate months to each other. The chair of trustees chairs both sub-committees whose membership reflects the particular skills that trustees can bring to the work of the sub- committees. The day-to-day management of the Mosque and community facilities and projects are delegated to staff.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment of new trustees but in so doing the trustees seek the views and recommendations of both elders and community leaders. The trustees believe this approach ensures that new trustees are respected members of the faith and local communities and ensures that good relations are fostered between the Mosque and the people of the local community that we serve.

In selecting new trustees, we seek to identify people who regularly attend events and functions organised by the charity and are willing to volunteer to help in our broader community work. Potential trustees are invited to attend trustees' meetings as observers and are given more details of the charity's aims and activities and, if all agree, they are then proposed as new trustees at the subsequent trustees' meeting. This process allows due consideration of the person's eligibility, personal competence, specialist knowledge and skills.

Induction and training of trustees

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their new role and given copies of the trust deed and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also provided including the guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of religion for the public benefit. This ensures that new trustees are aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act. Initially, new trustees work with an existing trustee assisting on particular activities and projects run by the charity. After satisfactory feedback from existing trustees, they are then given the task of leading a particular activity or project, reporting progress at trustees' meetings.

Risk management

The trustees have assessed the risks the charity faces and have drawn up a risk matrix which identifies the major risks by area of activity, the nature of those risks, the likelihood of the risks happening and the measures taken to manage them. The trustees review this risk matrix regularly at their meetings and at meetings of the two sub- committees on finance and buildings. The trustees are satisfied that systems are in place, or arrangements are in hand, to manage the risks that have been identified. In particular, insurance cover is in place and the finances of the Mosque are kept under review. Appropriate Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) checks, supported by regularly reviewed policies, are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the Mosque or community centre.

Our aims

The objects of the charity are set out in the charity's trust deed and are summarised as follows.

> To advance the Islamic faith in the Winsford area for the benefit of the public in particular through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, the public celebration of religious festivals and the distribution of literature on the Islamic faith to enlighten others.
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> To advance the education of, and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for leisure-time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for all residents of Winsford and the neighbourhood by the provision, maintenance and management of a community centre.

Our objectives

Our objectives are set to reflect our faith and community aims. Each year our trustees review our objectives and activities to ensure they continue to reflect our aims. In carrying out this review the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular its supplementary public guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

Our dual aims remain to provide a facility where Muslims can worship and to provide a community facility for all the inhabitants of Winsford. Our long-term ambition is to build the self-confidence of Winsford's Muslims in their faith, and through our community facilities and activities help make our area a peaceful, vibrant and harmonious community.

Strategies

We want to make our Mosque an accessible and welcoming venue where all Muslims, or those who wish to know more about our faith, can gather together to learn about their religion and worship. We are also fortunate to have facilities for women who want to pray at the Mosque. The Mosque is open at all times with daily prayers, the Friday prayers being a focus of our activities.

At our 'know Islam better' events we share the teachings of Islam and the nature of our faith with non-Muslims. In addition to an open day we also hold an open week each year when we invite congregations from all the local Christian churches to visit us and learn more about Islam.

An important part of our faith is charitable giving, according to one's wealth, in accordance with Islam and we are pleased to receive Zakat for the sole purpose of the relief of need and financial hardship of Muslims in Northern and Western Africa who have insufficient money to cover their basic needs for shelter, food, clothing, or who are destitute with no means of support.

An important part of our strategy is community welfare and education. All our community facilities and activities including classes, health initiatives and seminars are widely advertised and we welcome the participation of all in our local community, Muslim and non-Muslim alike. Most of our activities are free and supported by donations or grant funding. Where a charge is made, concessions are made for students, people on means-tested benefits and pensioners.

Helping people who have moved to Winsford settle into the community successfully is important to us. We run two projects that help ensure that families, whose first language is not English receive appropriate English language teaching and that their children are helped in their attendance at local schools.

Use of volunteers

Volunteers are an important resource in both our faith and community work. Volunteers are involved in most of our faith and community activities and we have over 10 people regularly giving their time. All our trustees also give their time freely. We encourage all members of our Mosque to be involved in voluntary activities and to share their skills with others. All those volunteers working with projects involving children or other vulnerable groups are CRB Checked.

Activities and achievements

How our activities deliver public benefit

The charity carries out a wide range of activities in pursuance of its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide benefit both to those who worship at our Mosque and the wider community of Winsford and surrounding areas.

Religious activities

Our Mosque provides a centre for our prayers and worship and for the activities associated with our faith. During the year under review, we offered a range of religious services and activities including:

Prayers: The mosque is open all day for daily and Friday Prayers. During the week, we have over 30 people who regularly attend daily prayers and over 100 who regularly attend Friday prayers.

Festivals: The Mosque prepares food during Ramadan for those attending our Mosque who wish to break their fast together. Eid was also celebrated at the Mosque with a family day and command meal. We also celebrate Saints' days and offer a monthly service of thanksgiving celebrating the birth of our prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon Him) to whom the Holy Qur'an was revealed.

Inter-faith dialogue: Our Mosque is an active member of the Faith Communities Forum for the Winsford area. We use this platform to promote inter-faith dialogue and social cohesion.

Reserves policy

The trustees have reviewed the reserve policy of the charity. The policy is to hold funds to meet four months operating costs of the Mosque.

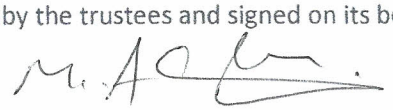
Principal Funding Sources

The charity's main source of income is collection of donation during Friday's prayer. There are also occasional events/special religious days when attendees donate.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Mr. Mohammed Aslam (Trustee)

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

WINSFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MASJID	1207332

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2025	To	Period end date 31/12/2026

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					
DONATIONS	-	210,692	-	210,692	3,965
INTEREST FREE LOAN	-	60,000	-	60,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	-	270,692	-	270,692	3,965
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	-	270,692	-	270,692	3,965
A3 Payments					
CONVEYANCING SOLICITORS	-	23,250	-	23,250	-
ACCOUNTANCY FEES	-	300	-	300	-
EXPENSES/PURCHASES	-	6,413	-	6,413	3,928
LOANS REPAID	-	30,000	-	30,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	59,963	-	59,963	3,928
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	59,963	-	59,963	3,928
Net of receipts/(payments)	-	210,729	-	210,729	37
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	-	210,729	-	210,729	37

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	210,692	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	210,729	-
	(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)
INTEREST FREE LOAN	CASH RECEIVED	30,000	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
M. AC	MOHAMMED ASLAM	9/10/26

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name WINSFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MASJID		
On accounts for the year ended	31 DECEMBER 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1207332
Set out on pages	1 (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 31/12/2025**DD / MM / YYYY**.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the 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.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	Md. Arshad Hossain	**Date:**	20/10/2026
Name:	MD Arshad Hossain		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS		
Address:	42 MULGRAVE STREET STOKE ON TRENT ST1 5EP		

Section B Disclosure

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