



GREEN LANE MASJID
& COMMUNITY CENTRE



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Message from Our Chair & CEO

All praise be to Allah, Assalaamu alaykum (peace be upon you),

Dear supporters of Green Lane Masjid and Community Centre,

Allah says in the Qur'an, 'Indeed, Allah will not change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves.' [Qur'an 13:11]

This verse emphasises the importance of taking personal responsibility for our actions and behaviours, and actively working towards positive change within ourselves in order to bring about positive change in the world around us.

As we look back on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for the steadfast support and commitment of our community. Despite the many challenges of the post-pandemic period, our community came together to ensure that Green Lane Masjid continued to serve as a vibrant hub for spiritual, educational, and social activities.

The past year saw significant progress in a number of areas. We continued to offer a range of educational programs, including our popular Qur'an and Arabic classes, and we launched new initiatives such as added sports activities for well-being and a fully-fledged adult educational college. We also worked to expand our outreach efforts, engaging with local schools and community organisations to promote interfaith dialogue and understanding.

In addition, we made strides in improving our infrastructure and facilities. We completed renovations to our community centre, creating a more welcoming and functional space for our community to gather and learn. We also invested in new technologies to enhance our online presence and ensure that our programming could continue to reach a wider audience.

The Prophet (peace be upon him) is reported to have said, 'The best of people are those who are most beneficial to others.' [Tabarani]

This Hadeeth highlights the importance of serving and benefitting others, and reminds us that success and goodness lies in how much we can positively impact the lives of those around us.

None of these achievements would have been possible without Allah's help and then the unwavering support of our community. We are grateful to all of our donors, volunteers, and staff members who worked tirelessly to ensure that Green Lane Masjid remained a vital resource for the community throughout the past year.

As we move forward into the next year, we are excited to build upon our successes and continue to grow and evolve as an organisation. We remain committed to serving the spiritual, educational, and social needs of our community, and we look forward to continuing to work together to make Green Lane Masjid a beacon of light and hope for all.

Sincerely,

Mohammed Saeed
Mohammed Saeed, Chair

Kamran Hussain
Kamran Hussain, CEO



Our Work



YOUTH

- Youth Summer Programme
- Football Club (boys only)
- Basketball (girls only)
- Kayaking
- Youth Club
- Scouts
- Knife Bank
- Monthly Youth Trips
- Squash
- Boxing



WELFARE & WELLBEING

- Food Bank and Food Kitchen
- Counselling Services
- Legal Surgery
- Immigration Surgery
- Job Clinics and Job Fairs
- Refugee Support
- Cancer Support with Macmillan
- Zakat Hardship Fund
- Joint Pain Clinic
- Elders' Monthly Lunch
- Women's Coffee Mornings
- Kayaking
- Domestic Abuse Support
- Women's Swimming and Fitness
- Marriage events
- Squash
- Boxing



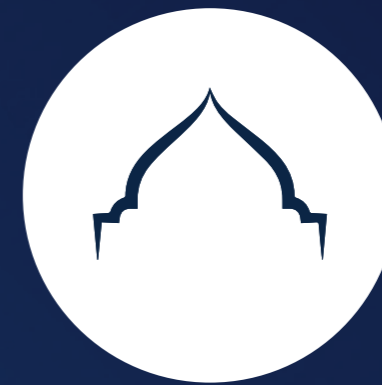
DAWAH & OUTREACH

- Conferences
- School and Inter-Faith Visits
- Islamic Articles & Social Media Posts
- Weekly Talks
- Friday Khutbahs (sermons)
- Chaplaincy
- Open Days
- YouTube Videos
- Exhibitions
- Podcasts
- 'How To' Videos
- Organisation Ramadan Visits
- University Speaker Tours
- Faith Line for University Students
- Training for University Students
- Khutbahs at Universities
- University Webinars



EDUCATION

- Weekend Budding Believers Club
- Summer School
- Onsite Madrasah
- Online Madrasah
- Ramadan Programme
- Sisters' Qur'an Classes
- Online Qur'an Institute
- Arabic Language Programme
- Weekend Courses
- Hifdh Holiday Programmes
- Seerah Holiday Programme
- Green Lane Academy of Sacred Sciences
- Tajweed Webinars & Holiday Programme
- Intensive Hifdh Programme
- Imams' Ijazah Summer Programme
- Alimiyah Foundation Programme
- Al-Isnad Programme



RELIGIOUS SERVICES

- Daily Prayers
- Celebrate Eid
- Eid at Edgbaston Stadium
- Taraweeh, Itikaf, Iftar & Suhoor
- Friday Prayers & Sermons
- Nikahs
- Local Qurbani
- Funeral Services
- Imam Q & A
- Umrah



HUMANITARIAN & SOCIAL

- International Iftar Provision
- International Qurbani
- International Winter Provision
- Zakat al-Fitr, Zakat al-Maal & Fidyah
- UK Food Distributions
- Winter Homeless Shelter
- Domestic Abuse Awareness
- Shelter, Food & Medical Projects
- BIMA and NHS Health Days

Our Vision
God in the
lives of people

INSPIRE

EDUCATE

SERVE

2022





GLM Football Club

Youth

Our Youth Department was established to promote and inspire our younger generation. Throughout 2022, we successfully maintained our core initiatives, which included our Youth Summer Programme, a Football Club for boys, a Basketball Club for girls, Kayaking, a Youth Club, and a Scouts group. These activities have consistently provided a platform for young individuals to engage in sports, recreation, and social activities, while fostering a sense of community and cultivating their Islamic faith.

In addition, we introduced several exciting new programmes in 2022. We organised monthly youth trips to offer young people new experiences. Weekly squash (provided by England Squash) and boxing sessions gave the young an insight into new sports, igniting a passion for health and fitness.

These new initiatives complemented our existing activities. Our Youth Department continues to prioritise the holistic development of young people; nurturing their talents, instilling valuable life skills, promoting a sense of belonging and developing their spiritual growth.

Business as Usual

- Youth Summer Programme
- Football Club (boys only)
- Basketball (girls only)
- Kayaking
- Youth Club
- Scouts
- Knife Bank

New Activities

- Monthly Youth Trips
- Squash
- Boxing

Key Stats & Achievements

- 40+ children attend the Youth Club on a weekly basis
- The monthly youth trips are always over-subscribed and sell out very quickly
- 150 children in our Scouts group
- More than 20 girls attend the weekly Basketball sessions
- More than 20 boys attend the weekly Boxing sessions

Welfare & Wellbeing

We are committed to supporting our community through various welfare and wellbeing activities. In 2022, we continued with our welfare and wellbeing initiatives while introducing new activities and services, to cater to the specific needs of our congregation.

Our welfare activities included the Food Bank and Food Distribution, which provided crucial assistance to those in need. We also addressed financial hardships with Legal and Immigration Surgeries. We organised Job Clinics and Fairs to empower job seekers, supported refugees in their resettlement journey, and collaborated with Macmillan to offer dedicated cancer support.

In 2022, we launched a new welfare initiative, Domestic Abuse Support, creating a safe space and providing resources for those affected by abuse.

For wellbeing, we organised a Joint Pain Clinic with a highly specialised doctor providing free consultations. We recognised the importance of social interaction and companionship for elders by hosting a monthly lunch gathering. We continued our popular women's coffee morning, offering a relaxed and welcoming space to connect and engage.

We also provided new opportunities for women to participate in swimming, fitness activities, squash, and kayaking, encouraging an active and healthy lifestyle. Other new activities, included boxing for men, which has been one of our most popular additions. Due to huge demand from our congregation, we also launched marriage events with over 100 people attending our events.

Our welfare and wellbeing services help to strengthen our community, as the Prophet PBUH said that the strong believer is better than the weak believer.

Business as Usual

Welfare

- Food Bank and Food Kitchen
- Counselling Services
- Legal Surgery
- Immigration Surgery
- Job Clinics and Job Fairs
- Refugee Support
- Cancer Support with Macmillan
- Zakat Hardship Fund

Wellbeing

- Joint Pain Clinic
- Elders' Monthly Lunch
- Women's Coffee Morning
- Kayaking

New Activities

Welfare

- Domestic Abuse Support

Wellbeing

- Women's Swimming
- Women's Fitness
- Marriage Events
- Squash
- Boxing

Key Stats & Achievements

- Hundreds have attended our sports and wellbeing activities on a weekly basis
- Over 30 people/families benefitted from the Food Bank every week
- Over £300k is spent annually assisting local Muslims in financial hardship through our Zakat Fund
- Dozens of women supported through our Domestic Abuse Support Service
- Over 100 people have attended our marriage events with a match rate of 60%
- Many people benefitted from the Joint Pain Clinic consultations
- 100+ elderly attended the Elders' Monthly Lunch
- Dozens of women have improved their physical and mental health with our wellbeing classes



Jummah Prayer at the University of Birmingham

Dawah

We are committed to promoting and inspiring the essence of Islam through our comprehensive Dawah (Islamic outreach) initiatives. These initiatives aim to engage and educate both Muslims and non-Muslims, fostering a deeper understanding of Islam.

We continue to maintain our longstanding activities as part of our regular Dawah efforts. These include conferences that bring together scholars and attendees for thought-provoking discussions. School and inter-faith visits offer opportunities for learning, promoting harmony and unity. We share Islamic articles on social media as valuable resources for knowledge-seekers. Our weekly talks and sermons deliver meaningful lessons to various congregations, addressing contemporary issues. Our chaplaincy work ensures the spiritual well-being of individuals in various institutions. Our Open Days welcome visitors to experience the inclusive and welcoming atmosphere of GLM. YouTube videos, podcasts, and 'How To' videos provide accessible means for learning about Islam. We also host interactive and informative exhibitions to showcase Islam.

In 2022, we introduced new initiatives that expanded our reach and impact. Our Ramadan visits enabled our staff to engage directly with organisations, facilitate meaningful conversations and promote a greater understanding of Islam. Our ISOC (Islamic Society) support through BMS (British Muslim Students) included speaker tours, a dedicated faith line, training sessions, nationwide Khutbahs, and webinars. This collaboration empowered students to explore and strengthen their faith on campus.

Through our Islamic outreach, we cultivate an environment where individuals from all walks of life can learn and appreciate the beauty of Islam.

Business as Usual

- Conferences
- School and Inter-Faith Visits
- Islamic Articles and Social Media Posts
- Weekly Talks
- Friday Khutbahs (sermons)
- Chaplaincy
- Open Days
- YouTube Videos
- Exhibitions
- Podcasts
- 'How To' Videos

New Activities

- Organisation Ramadan Visits
- University Speaker Tours
- Faith Line for University Students
- Training for University Students
- Khutbahs at Universities
- University Webinars

Key Stats & Achievements

- Hundreds of Muslim university students benefitted from the live webinars
- Thousands of students attended our BMS speaker tours
- Millions viewed our popular 'How To' series on YouTube
- Many organisations appreciated a glimpse of Ramadan and learning about Islam
- Thousands have been inspired by the weekly sermons and lectures



Teenagers' Education Class

Children's Education

Children's Education comprises of traditional structured programmes involving classes in Qur'anic and Islamic Studies, within our Madrasah (supplementary evening school) setting. Our students learn Islam through creative applications via our weekend and holiday courses.

Our Madrasah expanded in 2022, with an Onsite school returning to full capacity following the extended Covid-19 break, while our Online school continued to grow. Due to high demand, we increased our pool of qualified and experienced teachers.

Our holiday and weekend programmes including our popular monthly Budding Believers Club sold out instantly. Our annual Summer School was held at a nearby institute, enabling children to benefit from Islamic Tarbiyah (development), outdoor activities and play. Ramadan saw the return of the Ramadan Course, "My Perfect Role Model", aimed at primary aged children.

2022 saw the launch of new Hifdh and Tajweed holiday programmes which have proven popular and a welcome addition to the rest of our children's activities and services.

Over 1000 children benefitted from our range of programmes throughout 2022.

Business as Usual

- Weekend Budding Believers Club
- Summer School
- Onsite Madrasah
- Online Madrasah
- Ramadan Programme

New Activities

- Hifdh Holiday Programme
- Tajweed Holiday Programme
- Seerah (Islamic History) Holiday Programme

Key Stats & Achievements

- 160 children registered for the Kids Weekend Budding Believers Club
- 150 children attended the annual Kids Summer School
- Over 250 children registered for Children's Onsite Madrasah
- Over 330 children registered for Children's Online Madrasah



Dr Sajid Umar teaching a GLASS Course

Adult Education

Adult Education has the majority of its educational activities and programmes under the flagship Green Lane Academy of Sacred Sciences (GLASS). 2022 saw the launch of GLASS as a key Islamic education institution committed to providing enriching Islamic learning experiences.

GLASS's vision is to foster an educated model Muslim community, serving Allah through sincere worship, good character, and righteous action. Our mission is to produce model Muslims by providing high quality Islamic education with a focus on academic excellence, sincerity, and practical application. Subjects that are taught include Aqeedah, Fiqh, Hadeeth, Arabic, Tajweed and much more.

GLASS serves as a beacon of authentic Islamic knowledge, promoting a profound and practical understanding of Islam and its teachings while fostering an environment that encourages good character and positive societal contributions. Embarking on a journey with GLASS means joining a community of learners and visionaries, united in their quest for knowledge, growth, and contribution.

Alongside GLASS, the Adult Education department hosts regular Qur'an classes for sisters, the Online Qur'an Institute, an Arabic Language programme, and weekend courses.

New activities for 2022 include dedicated Hifdh and Tajweed Holiday Programmes, an Imams' Ijazah Summer Programme, Alimiyah Foundation Programme that runs throughout the year, weekly Adult Hifdh Programme, regular Tajweed Webinars and a monthly Al-Isnad Programme.

Business as Usual

- Sisters' Qur'an Classes
- Online Qur'an Institute
- Arabic Language Programme
- Weekend Courses

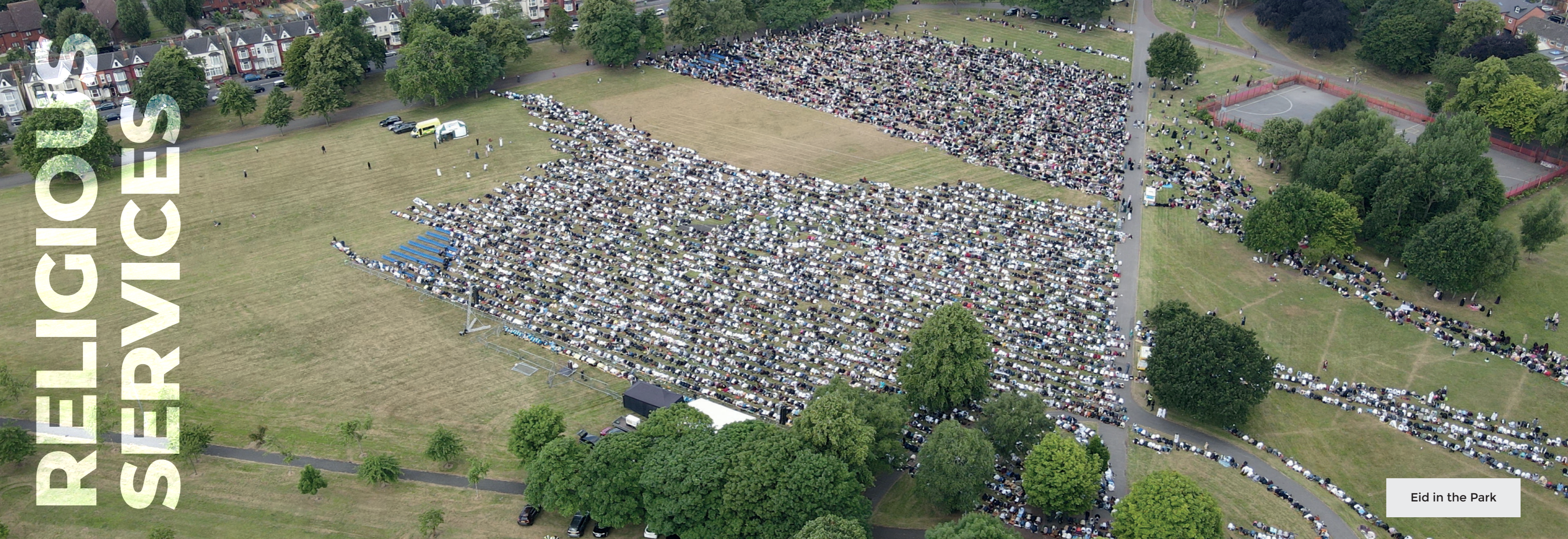
New Activities

- Launch of Green Lane Academy of Sacred Sciences
- Hifdh Holiday Programme
- Tajweed Holiday Programme
- Intensive Hifdh Programme
- Imams' Ijazah Summer Programme
- Alimiyah Foundation Programme
- Adult Hifdh Programme
- Tajweed Webinars
- Al-Isnad Programme

Key Stats & Achievements

- 889 enrolled students across the various programmes
- 31 individual courses taught
- 55-60 average weekly teaching hours
- 25+ average weekly teaching sessions
- 4 Imams received Ijazah certification in additional Qur'an recitation

RELIGIOUS SERVICES



Eid in the Park

Religious Services

The Religious Services play a vital role in facilitating key aspects of Islamic worship. In 2022, we continued to excel in our business as usual activities while introducing new initiatives to better serve our community.

As part of our routine services, we provided a place for daily prayers, offering a tranquil environment for individuals to connect with their faith regularly. The annual Eid celebration in Small Heath Park was a highlight, bringing us together in joyous festivities. During the holy month of Ramadan, we organised various activities, including Taraweeh prayers, Itikaf, Iftar, and Suhoor, providing opportunities for worshippers to engage in acts of devotion and reflection. Our Imam Q & A sessions provide a platform for individuals to seek guidance on matters related to Islam.

Friday prayers and sermons remained a focal point, delivering inspiring and thought-provoking messages to our congregation. We also facilitated Nikah ceremonies, uniting couples in matrimony and fostering a sense of community support. Our local Qurbani initiative allowed individuals to benefit from this act of worship during Eid al-Adha, while Eid at Edgbaston Cricket Stadium brought the joy of the festival to a wider audience. Moreover, we provided compassionate funeral services, supporting families during times of loss and grief.

In addition to these regular activities, we introduced a new Umrah (pilgrimage) trip, taking over 45 people to the holy lands of Islam. It provided an opportunity for people to perform a major act of worship with many not having travelled there before. The trip was supported by the Islamwise team, who arranged for 8 new Muslims to also attend and benefit.

GLM's Religious Services have consistently served the spiritual needs of our community, fostering unity and providing opportunities for them to fulfil their religious obligations.

Business as Usual

- Daily Prayers
- Celebrate Eid at Small Heath Park
- Eid at Edgbaston Stadium
- Ramadan - Taraweeh, Itikaf, Iftar and Suhoor
- Friday Prayers and Sermons
- Nikahs
- Local Qurbani
- Funeral Services
- Imam Q & A

New Activities

- Umrah

Key Stats & Achievements

- More than 5,000 attendees for religious services at Green Lane Masjid each week
- Around 3,500 people come to Green Lane Masjid for Friday prayers
- Dozens of Nikah ceremonies are performed at the Masjid each year
- More than 60,000 over the month of Ramadan as a whole
- More than 400 people fed every day during Ramadan for free



Pakistan Deployment

Taskforce GLM

2022 was by far one of the most challenging years for humanitarian relief around the world. The world saw earthquakes, flooding, famine and conflict, all within one year.

In this year of hardship, Taskforce GLM campaigned and managed to raise over £2.6M by the grace of Allah. In Ramadan alone, we raised £1M! The highest achieved for a single month.

In June we saw a massive 5.9 magnitude earthquake hit an already devastated Afghanistan. TFGLM were able to raise over £500k towards the aid effort allowing for not only shelter and food but for the establishment of medical capabilities.

In August, 20.6 million people were affected by the apocalyptic floods in Pakistan with 10 million left homeless. TFGLM were involved in the relief effort from as early as August raising awareness and funds. A dinner was held in Birmingham raising over £100k in one night and over £300k being transferred.

Throughout the year, relentless violence in Gaza and Jerusalem saw many humanitarian interventions, especially the raids on Masjid al-Aqsa during Ramadan. TFGLM worked with partners on the ground to ensure that aid was being distributed and hospitals provided for.

The winter was very cold in the refugee camps. Apart from our standard resupplying of blankets and Winter food supplies, we were also able to feed the refugees hot cooked meals too. A nice treat for those who don't get meat very often. We also supported local initiatives with our regular Ramadan and Winter Food Distributions to hundreds of low-income families.

Alhamdulillah, with the generous support of our donor community we were able to make a difference to the lives of many people.

Business as Usual

- Providing Iftar provisions for refugees & the displaced
- International Qurbani
- Winter Distribution of blankets & Winter supplies
- Distributing Zakat al-Fitr, Zakat al-Maal & Fidyah
- UK Food Distributions

New Activities

- Afghanistan: Shelter, food and medical supplies
- Pakistan: Flood Shelters and emergency relief
- Palestine: Emergency medical aid
- Lebanon: Hot cooked meals for Syrian refugees

Key Stats & Achievements

- Over £2.6M raised in 2022
- £1M raised in Ramadan 2022 alone
- £500k raised following the earthquake in Afghanistan
- £400k raised following the floods in Pakistan
- 100+ families received food from our Winter Food Distribution

SOCIAL CAMPAIGNS



Local Qurbani Distribution

Social Campaigns

In 2022, Green Lane Masjid highlighted various social issues by running a number of campaigns. Our commitment to serving the community is demonstrated through a diverse range of initiatives aimed at addressing pressing social issues.

During the winter season, we established a 2-month shelter for the homeless, providing a safe and warm environment for those in need. Additionally, we actively engaged in distributing Qurbani meat to Zakat applicants, ensuring that vulnerable individuals and families had access to nutritious meals.

Collaborating with the British Islamic Medical Association (BIMA) and the National Health Service (NHS), we organised health days to promote well-being within the community. These events offered health check-ups, consultations, and educational sessions to raise awareness about various medical conditions.

We also took a stand against domestic abuse by launching an awareness campaign, providing support and resources to victims while educating the community on prevention and intervention strategies.

Through these impactful social campaigns, we demonstrated our dedication to uplifting the community, fostering inclusivity, and addressing key societal challenges.

Business as Usual

- Winter Homeless Shelter
- Domestic Abuse Awareness Campaign
- Qurbani Distribution to local Zakat applicants

New Activities

- BIMA and NHS Health Days

Key Stats & Achievements

- Dozens of homeless people benefitted from hot food and overnight shelter during Winter
- Hundreds attended the BIMA and NHS Health Days
- Dozens of local Zakat applicants received free Qurbani meat



Trojan Horse Panel Event

Media

Our media and public relations endeavours at GLM in 2022 were extensive, highlighting our impactful work. We participated in numerous radio interviews, including prominent stations such as BBC West Midlands, BBC Asian Network, Heart FM, Unity FM, and others. We effectively utilised television platforms like BBC, ITV, Eman Channel, and Islam Channel to promote positive initiatives.

Our online presence was strong, with numerous articles featuring GLM published on reputable platforms such as BBC, Metro, Birmingham Mail, Al Jazeera, Eastern Eye, Arab News, Asian Image, and others. We also issued over 16 press statements, addressing critical issues such as Afghan refugees, Al Aqsa attacks, Covid-19 response, Uyghur Muslims and more.

Moreover, we showcased our expertise through written articles covering various topics, including Taskforce GLM, Ramadan, Dhul-Hijjah, and others. Through our media and public relations efforts, we effectively communicated our mission, values, and dedication to positive social impact.

Engagement

We actively engaged with a diverse range of organisations and sectors, showcasing the impact of our work and fostering meaningful connections. We welcomed visits from the Ministry of Defence, West Midlands Police, Canal and River Trust, Jaguar Land Rover, Network Rail, Morrisons, Birmingham City Council, the Houses of Parliament, Citizens UK, the University of Birmingham and others. Additionally, we participated in the Commonwealth Games 2022 programme through the Keys to the City project. We also established connections with other Mosques both regionally and nationally, as well as international figures, including politicians and collaborated with key organisations. These engagements highlight our commitment to promoting dialogue, understanding, and cooperation across various sectors and communities.

Leadership

We demonstrated leadership in the local community through a range of activities. Notably, we organised the 2nd annual community 'Faith in Action' dinner at Aston Villa stadium, coinciding with the Commonwealth Games. This event showcased key sports projects run by Mosques and Islamic youth organisations, highlighting the contribution of the Muslim community. Furthermore, we continued with our 'Under the Lens' project enabling community panel discussions. We ran one event covering the Trojan Horse controversy at the University of Birmingham, encouraging open dialogue and thought.

We also drafted Joint Mosque statements on social and community issues, consolidating the collective voice of the Muslim community. Our leadership team arranged meetings with prominent figures such as Nicola Turner, Simon Foster, Majid Mahmood, Zara Mohammed, Andy Street and John Cotton, fostering connections between GLM, Mosques and influential individuals in politics, sports and community organisations.

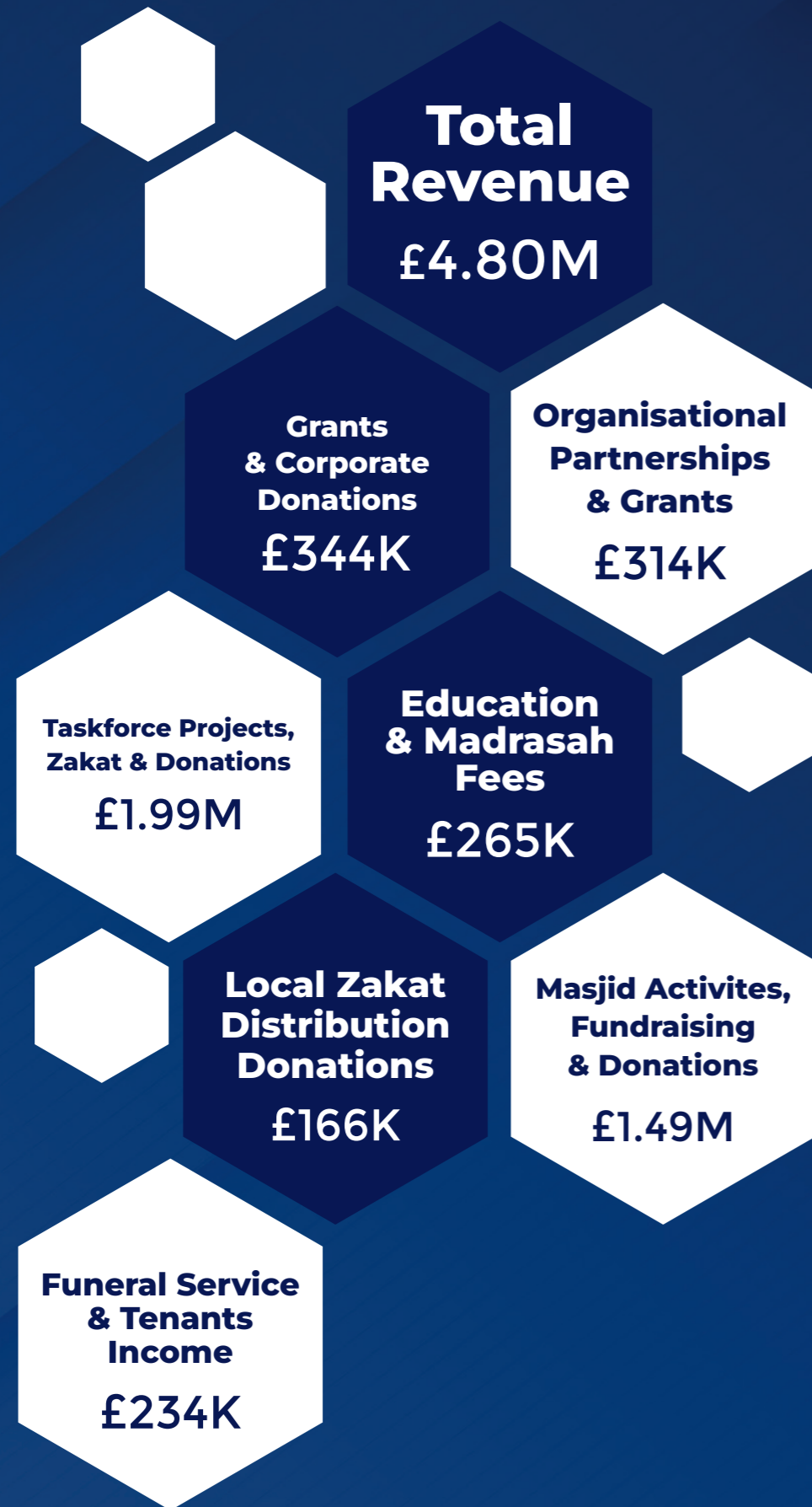
Our impact extended beyond local engagement as we actively participated in key decision-making processes. We served on the interviewing panel for the West Midlands Police Chief Constable and joined the board of a major educational trust. We continued as the Co-Chair of the Faith Alliance for the OPCC (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner) Violence Reduction Partnership. Such engagement strengthened GLM as a key supporter in local policing, education and community safety.

The leadership of GLM was widely recognised, receiving an award as well as invitations to speak at numerous events addressing critical issues such as Islamophobia, race, and volunteering. Overall we hope our leadership in 2022 has had a profound impact on both a local and community level, promoting collaboration, unity, and positive change.

Partners



Revenue



Costs





Legal & Administrative Details

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