

THE SUNNI MUSLIM WELFARE ASSOCIATION OF NEWPORT S. WALES.

1. The name of the charity shall be the SUNNI MUSLIM WELFARE ASSOCIATION of Newport S. Wales. (hereinafter called "The Association")

2a. The Association is established for the advancement of the Islamic Religion in the County of Gwent by the provision of a Mosque, of a burial ground, and of education the principles of the Islamic Faith and in such other charitable ways as the Committee shall think fit for the relief of poverty amongst members of the Association

b. In the furtherance of the purposes hereinbefore defined, but not further otherwise, the Association may:

- Provide endow furnish and fit out with all necessary furniture and other equipment and maintain and manage such buildings and other premises as may from time to time be required for the purposes of the Association
- Employ all such officers and servants may be required for the purposes of the Association excluding the office bearers ,trustees and Committee members whose service shall be voluntary.
- Purchase or otherwise acquire lands for estates for interest.
- Raise money for any of the above purposes by mortgaging or charging all or any such property as may be mortgaged or charged with capital sums or with terminable annuities for lives or years.
- Accept subscription and donations (whether of real or personal estates) and devises and bequests for all or any of the purposes aforesaid and to sell and dispose of, to lease and to accept surrenders or leases of and manage all real estate (including leaseholds) so received and not required to be or capable of being occupied for the purposes of the Association and generally to manage invest and expand all moneys belonging to the Associates but not so as to carry on any permanent trade.
- Invest the moneys of the Association not immediately required for its purposes in or upon such investments securities or property as may be thought fit, subject nevertheless to such conditions (if any) as may for the time being be imposed or required by law.

3a. Every Sunni Muslim residing in Newport. S. Wales, of 18 years of age and upward is eligible for membership of the Association.

b. Every person shall before being admitted to membership undertake to observe and be bound by the provisions of the Constitution and By-laws of the Association.

c. Members shall pay such entrance fee and subscription as the Committee may from time to time determine.

d. The Associations will keep a register of the members and enter therein the following particulars:

- The name and address of each member.
- The date upon which each member became a member.
- The date upon which any member ceased to be a member.

4. The affairs of the Association shall be administered by a Committee which shall consist of the Office bearers, hereinafter mentioned and five other members. The said Office bearers and other members of the Committee shall be elected every three years, for which provision is hereinafter made and shall hold office until the conclusion of the term but shall be eligible for re-election. Casual vacancies arising among the Office bearers or other members of the committee may be filled by the Committee.

The following Office bearers will be elected:

- CHAIRMAN
- VICE CHAIRMAN
- SECRETARY
- ASSISTANT SECRETARY
- TRESURER
- ASSISTANT TRESURER

5a. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at the end of the month of **Ramzan Eid- Ul -Fitters** day. Fifteen days notice at least of the meeting shall be given to all members in such manner and nominations for election to the Committee shall be invited in such manner as the Committee deem appropriate. The business of such meeting shall include the election of the aforesaid Office bearers and other members of the Committee, the approval of the accounts of the Association, and the appointment of a member of one of the bodies specified or referred to in sub-section (3) of section 8 of the Charities Act 1960 as auditor of the Association's accounts.

Any member of the Association may attend and cast one vote at the Annual Meeting and in the event of an equality of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or a casting vote. The Chairman of the Association or, in his absence the Vice Chairman, shall preside as

Chairman of the meeting. If neither the Chairman nor the Vice Chairman shall be present within fifteen minutes after the time holding the meeting or is unwilling to act the meeting shall choose some other member of the Committee who is present to be Chairman of the meeting.

- b. The Chairman of the Association of the Committee may at any time at their discretion and shall within thirty one days of receiving a written request so to do signed by not less than one third of the members of the Association giving reasons for the request call an extraordinary meeting of the Association for the purpose of altering the Constitution in accordance with Clause 11 or for any other purpose. The provisions hereinbefore contained in respect of the annual meeting of the Association shall apply mutates mutandis to extraordinary meetings.
- c. No business shall be transacted at an annual or extraordinary meeting unless two thirds of the members are present at the time when the meeting proceeds in business. If within half hour from the time appointed for the meeting two thirds of the members are not present the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved. In any other time and place or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Committee may determine and if at the adjourned meeting two thirds of the members not present within half hour from the time appointed for the meeting the members present shall conduct the business.

6a. The Committee may meet together for the despatch of the business and adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. Each member of the Committee shall have one vote but in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have one vote. The aforesaid provisions relating to the chairing of the Annual Meeting of the Association shall apply to meetings of the Committee.

- b. The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business if the Committee shall be two thirds.
- c. The Committee shall hold one ordinary meeting on the first Sunday of each month and may hold such other ordinary meetings as may be required. A special meeting of the Committee may be summoned at any time by the Chairman or the Secretary or by two any member as of the Committee upon seven clear days notice give all members of the matters to be discussed.
- d. Minute books shall be kept by the Committee and the secretary (or in his absence the Assistant Secretary) shall enter therein a record of all proceedings and resolutions. The minutes shall be signed by the

Chairman at the conclusion of each meeting or at some subsequent meeting if the minutes shall have been duly confirmed.

- e. The Committee may invite any person to attend its meeting but without power to vote.
7. The Treasurer of the Association shall be responsible to the Committee for the proper keeping of the Association's accounts which shall be audited annually by the person appointed in accordance with the provision Cause 5. The accounts shall be regularly maintained and shall upon less than seven days notice be open to the inspection of any member.
8. All the sums collected by or on behalf of the association shall be handed over to the Treasurer or the Assistant Treasurer who shall then pay the same into the Lloyds bank Limited, Commercial Street, Newport or to such other bank as the Committee may from time to time determine in an account in the name of the Association. Cheques shall be signed by any three of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer and they shall each have the power to give receipts for all moneys paid to them on the Association's account.
9. The property of the Association shall be held in the name of seven individuals as trustees who shall administer the same in all respects in accordance with the directions of the Committee, or in the name of the Official Custodian For Charities.
10. The Office of an office bearer or other member of the Committee shall be vacated if such office bearer or member:
 - Becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally.
 - Becomes of unsound mind.
 - Resigns his office by notice in writing.
 - Is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Committee without good cause and after giving to the Office bearer or member a proper opportunity to be heard at a meeting of the Committee convened upon seven clear days notice in writing specifying the proposed resolution and inviting the Office bearer or a member to attend and make representations the Committee shall pass a resolution that the in such Office bearer or other member of the Committee shall be so vacated.
11. Any proposal to alter this constitution must be delivered in writing to the Secretary of the Association not less than 28 days before the date

of the meeting at which it is to be considered. An alteration will require the approval of a two third majority of members present and voting at an annual or extraordinary meeting. Notice of each such meeting must have been given in accordance with the normal procedure but not less than 21 days prior to the meeting in question and giving the wording of the proposed alterations. **Provided that** no such alteration shall be made to Cause 2 hereof without the consent of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales and **provided also** that no such alteration shall be made so as to cause the association to cease to be a Charity in law and **provided further that** no alteration to Causes 1, 14 and 15 may be made at all.

12. If any trustee leaves the area and resides outside Newport, S. Wales or goes bankrupt or does not take any active part or does not attend meetings regularly, he will have to resign from the Trusteeship.

Trustees will have to attend every meeting of the Executive Committee, failing to do so they are liable to explain their conduct by giving reasons for their absence.

Trustees will not be appointed unless the number of trustees is less than five.

Executive Committee will appoint new Trustees.

13. Every member of the Association will pay or donate whatever sum the Executive Committee will decide has to be paid regularly every year. If any of the members fail to pay within one month after being asked for payment they will have no right to stand for Executive Committee or Trusteeship or will have no right to speak or vote at meetings of the Association. Every Muslim has the right to pray and worship in the Mosque whether he pays anything or does not pay towards the funds of the Mosque.

- 14a. The Imam shall be appointed by two thirds majority of the Executive Committee and to be eligible for appointment the Imam must be a Sunni Muslim.

b. The Imam will be an employee of the Association.

15. All people can participate in the educational facilities of the Mosque and can send their children to participate in such facilities provided that any reasonable fee for the provision of such facilities is paid and provided that every person using the Mosque shall behave properly and peacefully with particular regard to all other persons using the same.

16. In the event of the dissolution of the Association any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all proper debts and liabilities shall not be distributed among the members of the Association but shall be given to such charitable institution or institutions having objectives similar to those of the Association the Committee shall decide subject to the approval of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

This constitution is proved by the Executive Committee.

Date: 6/1/97

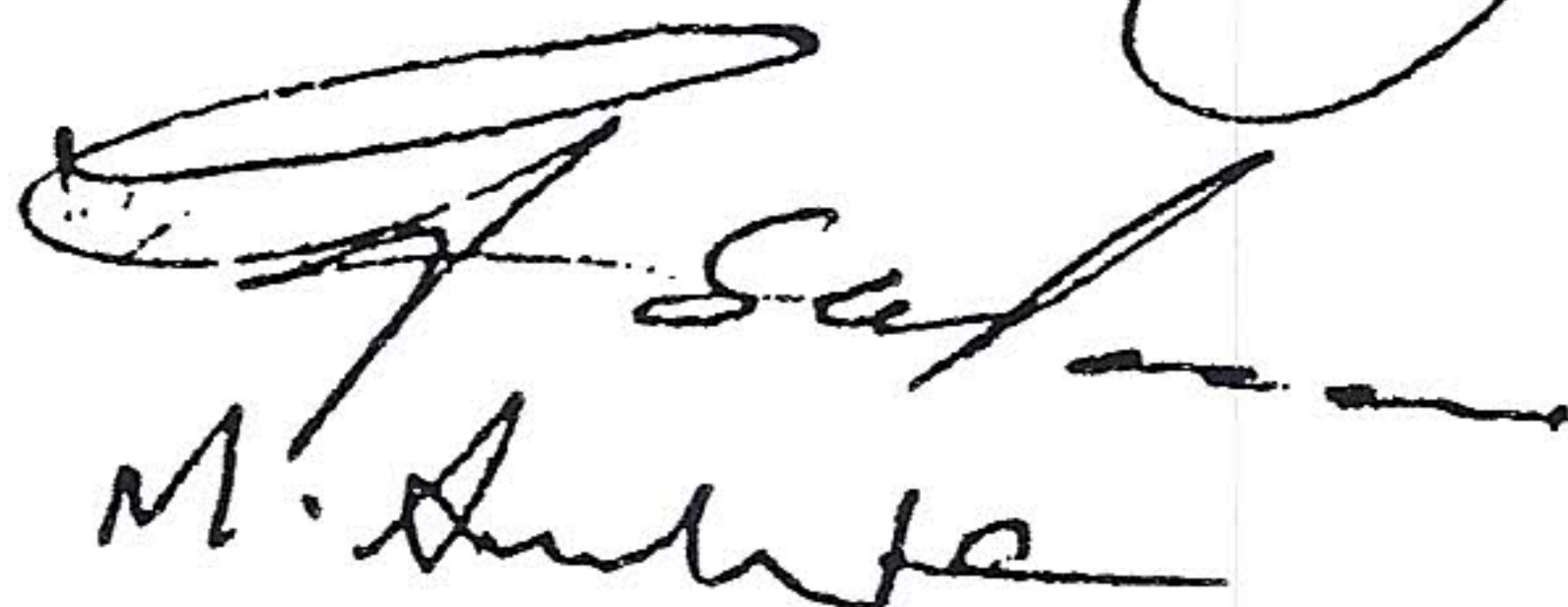
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