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WELCOME

On behalf of the Muslim Council of Britain, I warmly welcome you to the third Our Mosques Our Future, this time in the Midlands in 2019.

The purpose of today is to provide a space to celebrate the good work that many of our mosques up and down the country are doing, but also not shy away from asking ourselves the difficult questions about what is holding us back.

This year's theme is #OurYouthOurFuture, which was chosen following consultation meetings with MCB affiliates in the Midlands in early 2019.



About 50% of British Muslims are aged 24 years old or younger according to the last national census. However, for many young Muslims, their local mosque is not perceived as an exciting or attractive place to hang out or spend time at. We must ask ourselves:

- Aside from the madrassah (school), what is the average age of a service user at our mosque?
- What percentage of time is spent by mosque management or trustees on issues affecting young people?
- Do young people have a say in what activities are run by or at the mosque?

At today's event, we urge you to ponder deeply on these questions. The workshops and panels are designed to help us to find answers to these questions, including on the topics of safeguarding young people, engaging young professional Muslims, ex-offenders, knife crime and violence, mental health and more. And we have intentionally tried to bring young people themselves to the forefront of today's event as you will see from the keynote speakers, so we hear from them first hand.

Whilst we are in the surroundings of King Power Stadium, home of Leicester City Football Club, it's worth contemplating on one salient analogy. Hamza Dewan Choudhury, a 22-year old professional footballer who plays as a midfielder here at Leicester City FC, as well as the England international team, began his football career at the club's Youth Academy at the age of 16. He has been trained and coached by the club over the last six years to where he is today. This year, he has just signed a 4-year deal.

How many of our mosques would have the time, wisdom and patience to train the next generation of home grown leaders in this way?

If we truly believe that our youth are our future, then surely it's time our mosques – the key pillars of our Muslims communities – become more serious about listening, involving and investing in our young people.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in today's event, I pray that it is beneficial for you all.

Harun Khan | MCB Secretary General
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SCHEDULE

9:30 – 10:00am Arrivals & Exhibitions

Session 1 – Morning Session (9:30am-12:15pm)

- 10:00am Begin to take seats in Walkers Hall
- 10:10am Introduction
- 10:20am Quran
- 10:25am Welcome: Harun Khan, MCB Secretary General
- 10:40am Keynote: Shakira Rahman, Mini CEO, Penny Appeal
- 11:00am Panel 1 & Q&A: The Role of Young Imams and Alimahs
Chair: Imam Mohammed Asad, Birmingham Central Mosque
- 11:50am Sponsor's message: Rizvan Khalid, Euro Quality Foundation
- 11:55am Announcements

12:15 - 1:30pm Lunch, Exhibitions and Dhuhr Prayers

Session 2 – Afternoon Session (1:30-2:10pm)

- 1:30pm Begin to take seats in Walkers Hall
- 1:40pm Sponsor's Message: Dr Jafer Qureshi, Al-Khair Foundation
- 1:45pm Leicester FC in the Community presentation
- 1:55pm Keynote: Efaz Ahmed, Young Ambassador, Prince's Trust

Session 3 - Workshop Session (2:10-4:10pm - 8 workshops available over 2 sessions, see pages 6 to 9)

- 2:20 – 3.10pm Workshop Session 1
- 3:20 – 4.10pm Workshop Session 2

4:10 - 4:30pm: Asr Prayers and Tea Break

Session 4 - Closing Session (4:30-5:50pm)

- 4:30pm Begin to take seats in Walkers Hall
- 4:40pm Panel 2 & Q&A: Football, Mosques and Young People
Chair: Kevin Coleman, The Football Association
- 5:30pm Announcements
- 5:40pm Organiser's Closing Remarks
- 5:50pm End

WORKSHOP

SESSION 1 (2:20-3:10pm)

Workshop 1A - Walkers Hall (1st floor)

A Mosque's Response to Knife-Crime

Humayun Saleem and Hamsa Aden



With knife crime being a serious issue affecting many young Muslims, in particular in inner city areas, this workshop will start with a brainstorming session for participants to consider opportunities for youth work and to highlight what is possible. This will be followed by a presentation of the work of Green Lane Masjid & Community Centre (GLMCC) in Birmingham, with a specific focus on its youth programmes, including education, social activities, social media, campaigns etc. GLMCC is one of Britain's most active mosques with over 40 discrete activities, including a humanitarian wing, extensive welfare and outreach services, as well as an educational arm.

Workshop 1B - Legends Lounge (2nd floor)

How to engage young professional volunteers at your mosque

Mohammed Abiduz Zaman



British Islamic
Medical Association

Building on the successful 'Lifesavers' campaign delivered by the British Islamic Medical Association (BIMA) which successfully engages hundreds of young Muslim medical professionals with their local mosques nationwide, this workshop will begin with statistical background on the importance of youth in Muslim communities and what role young professionals play in this. Key lessons on effective engagement with young professionals will then be discussed, including identifying key established people from same field/profession/group using personal networks, providing a space for them to network and contribute their skills (NOT just getting them to do tasks), mentoring and developing their skills sets and having regular events (like Lifesavers or otherwise) that inspire them to use their skills to help the community through the mosque.

WORKSHOP SESSION 1 (2:20-3:10pm)

Workshop 1C - Rowley Suite (2nd floor)

Mental Health: What can your mosque do?

Zohra Khaku and Danyial Gilani



According to Muslim Youth Helpline's research, half of under 23 year olds feel they do not have enough easy access to help when they need it. Mosque spaces and services are uniquely positioned to help these young people, but often are unable to engage with them. This workshop will explore:

1. Why Muslim youth are often not able to access mosque spaces and services
2. Muslim Youth Helpline's first-hand research and insights
3. Practical ways in which Mosques can become the first point of contact for youth in need of help

Workshop 1D - Premier 2 (2nd floor)

Safeguarding young people: A legal perspective

Augustus Della-Porta, Emma Dowden-Teale (Bates Wells) and Riyaz Laher (FMO)



Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults is heavily regulated and requires very sensitive handling. Its already high profile has been raised in the last two years, both in connection with the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (currently focussed, as it is, on religious organisations) and the regulatory response of the Charity Commission and DfID to press revelations. In this workshop, we will look at both "conventional safeguarding" of children and vulnerable adults as well as the enhanced requirements imposed on charities, focussing on requirements and expectations around safeguarding governance, incident management and accountability and reporting. We will share case studies on safeguarding in Muslim and other faith-based organisations and some lessons learned.

WORKSHOP

SESSION 2 (3:20-4:10pm)

Workshop 2A - Walkers Hall (1st floor) How to start your Mosque Football Club

Rashid Abba, Shafique Govani & Aoni Hussain



This interactive workshop will start with a brainstorming and discussion session on the benefits of football and sports more generally, in engaging local children and young people. This will be followed by a presentation of sharing best practice delivered by two community clubs based in South London & North London: a) Hyderi Sports Association and b) Award Winners Stanmore Jafferys, on to how to engage the whole community (children and parents!) and encourage everyone to regularly participate in weekly sports activity, thus creating playing opportunities through sport. How the mosques in these communities have successfully engaged with The Football Association (FA) and West Ham United FC Foundation to deliver coaching for children and parents alike will also be explored.

Workshop 2B - Legends Lounge (2nd floor) Model of the Prophet (SAW)

Amna Masoor



As Islam is fundamentally about restoring balance on Earth by aligning society with the heavens, the mosque is posited at the very centre of the community. A sanctuary for young and old, women and men, the poor and the rich, the newcomer and the veteran – everyone could call the mosque their own. At a time when faith is under attack from all quarters, it is crucially important that the mosque is an open and welcoming space for all without discrimination or preferential treatment for some over others. Since its launch in Leicester in 2016, City Retreat has attracted and engaged different people both Muslim and non-Muslim. This workshop will explore the City Retreat journey including specific projects such as ReConnect, Night Shelter, Coffee Mornings and the Welcome Project.

WORKSHOP

SESSION 2 (3:20-4:10pm)

Workshop 2C - Rowley Suite (2nd floor)
Benefiting or Losing Out from Untapped Youth Potential?
Kamran Qureshi



This will be an engaging workshop presenting over 10 years of detailed research and statistics on the Muslim Youth Crisis. The workshop will explain the need for social change and the need to rethink and resolve the issues around mental health, marriage, educational attainment, drugs and more. 1 in 10 young Muslims are diagnosed with a mental health condition, 78% of Muslim teens admit living a 'double life' and 91% of young Muslim women are unhappy with their body image. This workshop will be covering topics that young Muslims want addressing and how mosques are the missing link between our youth, communities and their bright futures. The workshop concludes a three tier proposal for mosques to start offering youth services and a basic 'How To' guide.

Workshop 2D - Premier 2 (2nd floor)
Ex-offenders from Prison: What role can the mosque play?
Ismael Lea South and Mohamed Addawe



The Salam Project is a BME/BAME youth & community social enterprise which has over 15 years of experience of working with ex-offenders in communities. The director and co-founder, Ismael Lea South got involved in this work when his nephew and cousin got caught up in the criminal justice system.

Even though Muslims make up approximately 5% of the population in Britain, of the approximately 83,000 prisoners in the country, about 20% are Muslims, most of whom are young and will be released back to the community once their prison sentences are served. This workshop aims to inform mosque leaders and volunteers on the challenges that Muslim ex-offenders face when they return to the community and how to build partnerships with intervention specialist and support groups to facilitate the resettlement of ex-offenders in communities.



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The Prince's Trust helps young people to develop the confidence and realise their ambitions. The charity supports 11 to 30 year-olds who are in low paid unstable work, unemployed and struggling at school. The charity gives vulnerable young people the support needed to stabilise their lives, helping develop self-esteem and skills for work.



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The Faith Leader Training Initiative is a training course which seeks to empower faith leaders with the confidence and knowledge to meet the changing needs of their congregations. It has been developed following direct consultation with faith leaders and as a key aspect of the Government's Integrated Communities Action Plan.



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The Centre for Media Monitoring (CfMM) is a Muslim Council of Britain project, based on the recognition by academics and specialists across the world that mainstream media reporting of Islam and Muslims is contributing to an atmosphere of rising hostility towards Muslims in Britain. In order to change the narrative surrounding Islam and Muslims, we engage constructively with the mainstream media and empower communities through evidence, insight, engagement and empowerment.



Marie Curie

Marie Curie is the UK's leading charity for people with any terminal illness. The charity helps people living with a terminal illness and their families make the most of the time they have together by delivering expert hands-on care, emotional support, research and guidance.



Ana Huna

Ana Huna strives to improve the general welfare and spiritual development of children with SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and their families within the Muslim community. To achieve this, Ana Huna is raising awareness within mosques; offering families support to access services, and promoting social inclusion by fostering friendships among young people.



Quran Nights

Quran Night is an initiative that seeks to spread the message of the Quran through an interactive night of recitation and narration. It is a unique event where listeners are taken on a journey from the start of revelation to key events of the seerah. We seek to connect the hearts of the audience to the speech of God in new ways.



MEND

MEND (Muslim Engagement and Development) is a community funded grassroots organisation dedicated to tackling Islamophobia. Challenging prejudices and discrimination against Muslims from street crime to employment discrimination, we encourage Muslims to get more involved in politics and media. We are a political lobbying organisation and a think tank ensuring the Muslim voice is always heard.

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Muslim Council of Britain

The Muslim Council of Britain is the UK's largest and most diverse Muslim representative umbrella body with over 500 affiliated national, regional and local organisations, mosques, charities and schools. It has organised "Our Mosques Our Future" conferences since 2018 and runs several other projects.



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Humanitarian Academy for Development (HAD) is a pathfinding centre of excellence which empowers the humanitarian and development sector. Driven by our faith, HAD strengthens the sector worldwide through capacity building training, cutting-edge research, knowledge generation, talent and leadership development. We focus on developing the capacity of frontline organisations to become more effective



Halal Monitoring Committee

HMC was established to help ensure that all Muslims could be confident that the meat and poultry products they consume are 'genuinely Halal'. The HMC organisation is an independent, not for profit, registered charity which monitors, inspects and certifies Halal products for the benefit of the Muslim community.



Inspired Minds

Inspired Minds is a grassroots Muslim Mental Health charity which aims to reduce stigma, raise awareness and provide advice, support and encouragement to those affected by mental health challenges from faith and culturally sensitive perspective.



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Interpal is a specialist humanitarian charity focused on helping Palestinians to achieve their basic human rights and live dignified lives, unencumbered by poverty.

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MINAB

MINAB (Mosques and Imams National Advisory Board) is a community-led independent umbrella organisation, which seeks to build the capacity of mosques to become more vibrant, engaging and inclusive places of worship as well as dynamic community hubs. Its core objectives include ensuring that Mosques are safe and well-governed.



Mercy Mission UK

Mercy Mission UK is a community development organisation. We have two major programmes currently running to improve life chances for vulnerable Muslim families in Britain. They are, My Foster Family; focused on children in care and Welcoming Refugees, a joint initiative with the Muslim Council of Britain supporting Mosques and Muslim organisations to sponsor refugee families arriving to the UK.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Shakira Rahman
Mini CEO, Penny Appeal

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Shakira Rahman, an 11-year-old is the Mini CEO aka Kidboss. Her main aim is to give a fresh perspective to the charity and take the organization forward, but with a child's view. She has launched multiple initiatives, including a helpline for young Muslims which tackles issues like bullying. Shakira has visited various projects including an orphan school in Gambia and elderly care homes here in the UK.



Efaz Ahmed
Young Ambassador, Prince's Trust



Prince's Trust

Efaz Ahmed is a 26-year old social entrepreneur based in Leicester. Having faced some difficult challenges growing up, he turned to The Prince's Trust which changed his life. With their support he set up his own football academy in 2015 for children in his community. He is passionate about the community coming together to create aspiration for the future of young people.

PANEL 1

THE ROLE OF YOUNG IMAMS AND ALIMAHs

Whilst no reliable statistics exist to date, anecdotal experience would suggest that the average age of an *Imam* at a mosque in Britain today is likely to be over 40 years old at least. Given that *Imams* play a crucial role in the spiritual guidance, education and upliftment of our communities, what impact does this age gap have on young Muslims aged 24 years old or younger? And with only a handful of mosques in Britain today with salaried *Alimahs* (female scholars) in the same way as *Imams*, are young Muslim girls missing out more on spiritual guidance and education compared to boys? This panel will explore what role young *Imams* and *Alimahs* have to play in making our mosques relevant for young people in Britain today.



Imam Mohammed Asad
Birmingham Central Mosque

Imam Mohammed Asad is a *Hafiz*, *Qari* and Scholar. He is also an executive member of the Association of Muslim Schools and the *Imam* at Birmingham Central Mosque. His other roles include a school inspector, the author of an Islamic Studies Syllabus, a Muslim Chaplain/Faith Advisor, a panellist on the Shariah Council, a member of various interfaith groups/projects.



Dr Riyaz Timol
University of Cardiff

Dr Riyaz Timol works as a Research Associate at Cardiff University's Centre for the Study of Islam in the UK. His research includes ethnographic methodology, intergenerational transmission of Islam in Britain and the relationship of Islam with modernity. He currently seeks to map the way contemporary accounts of Islamic revival intersect with secularisation theory in Europe. He is the Principal Investigator of a major project examining the lived experiences of British *Imams* that has just launched in 2019.



Ameena Blake
Eden House UK

Ameena J Blake is an English convert who embraced Islam 25 years ago. Her past roles have included being the Vice President of MAB and Assistant Secretary General of the MCB. She is currently the founding project director for Eden Houses UK, a charity running Muslim friendly women's refuges. Ameena lectures about Islam nationally and internationally. She covers topics including women in Islam and makes media and event appearances across the globe.



TBC

PANEL 2

FOOTBALL, MOSQUES AND YOUNG PEOPLE

This panel will explore the intersection between mosques, young people and the one of the most popular sports in Britain today: football.

What community football initiatives are out there that mosques can get involved with to engage young boys and girls? What's the difference between a successful and unsuccessful sport's initiative at a mosque, and how can we ensure more community sports projects result in a successful outcome with high impact? And how can we ensure that young girls and women have a gender-sensitive space to benefit from community sports projects as well?



Kevin Coleman
The Football Association

Kevin Coleman has worked in sports administration for over 20 years. Running professional tournaments and rankings at The Lawn Tennis Association, campaigning for inclusion for all communities at footballs equality and inclusion campaign 'Kick It Out' and currently as Equality Manager at The FA. He is also a Muslim revert with specialist interest in faith communities and football, Asian inclusion in football and supporting the integration of Refugees and Asylum seekers through football.



Sadiq Yusuf
Finsbury Park Mosque

Sadiq Yusuf is the Youth Engagement Officer at Finsbury Park Mosque (FPM) and co-founder of the Finsbury Park Victims Forum. He is also a key volunteer at Jubba Youth Community Association (JYCA), a charity that deals with youth related issues. Having grown up in a diverse but divided North London borough, he cites youth development and community cohesion as two of his social passions. From running youth clubs to outlining policy he attempts to make an impact at every level.



Yashmin Harun
Muslimah Sports Association

Yashmin Harun started her career in the Banking sector over 20 years go, but sports is something she always had a passion for. Yashmin established the multi-award winning Muslimah Sports Association (MSA) in 2014. In addition to her role as the Chair of MSA, she is a Non-Executive Director at British Fencing and a Director at London FA, truly inspiring other Muslim and BAME women to get involved in sports.



Obayed Hussain
Positive Youth Foundation

Obayed Hussain is an FA licensed coach and now a consultant working with underprivileged individuals from marginalised communities and new and emerging communities, multiple mosques around Birmingham. In 2011, he set up Saltley Stallions FC and has won a number of FA awards in coaching and management. He uses sports as an engagement tool to counter a violence and substance misuse.

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