



**MUSLIM COMMUNITY OF NORTH DUBLIN COMPANY
LIMITED BY GUARANTEE (MCND)**

CHARITY NUMBER: CHY 17842

CRA NUMBER: 20067168

ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

OCTOBER 2021

DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

All praise is due to Allah, our Creator and Sustainer and may Allah's peace and blessings be upon His final Messenger.

Dear Respected Members,

It is solely through the grace of the Almighty, your prayers and support that MCND has been working for 18 years in the North West of Dublin. From our humble beginning as a small congregation in 2003 praying only Taraweeh during Ramadan and organising Eid prayers, we have evolved into an organisation that is running a fully functioning mosque, sponsoring Dawah and charities that provide aid to people who are in need and empower people through education. It has been a long journey with many hurdles but with your phenomenal support and prayers, we have managed to overcome them.

As a donor, you deserve to know where all your hard-earned money is being spent and we can assure you it is going towards worthy causes. In this report, the board of directors present their annual activities together with the Financial Statement of Muslim Community of North Dublin CLG.

The Directors affirm that the Annual Report and money related proclamations of MCND are in accordance with the CRO, the Charity Regulator and the Revenue's rules and standards for the Republic of Ireland.

The services offered at MCND continue to grow in size as well as variety. We continue to review the effectiveness of our services. A fundraising strategy has been put in place and implemented. We continue to review the fundraising strategy as well as our strategy as an organisation. We have set up a separate bank account for the Mosque Project. We hope to continue exploring other avenues for funding. We are working on developing and improving our website www.mcnd.ie to enable the community to access the various activities and events during the year.

MCND is now a registered body with the National Vetting Bureau. Also, MCN is authorised charity for the Revenue Donation Scheme.

The main highlight of the year was the decision taken by the board to purchase the premises which is currently used as Mussala. This building will be used as the main centre for MCND activities till we build our dream purpose built Islamic Centre. We would like to thank our members for supporting this decision and the incredible generosity they showed. More than €200,000 were collected within 4 weeks of the date of the SGM. No doubt it is the most important decision taken and the biggest transaction in the history of MCND.

It was a year of growth and development in MCND. We embarked on a strategic plan for our activities and especially for our mosque project. During the year very slow progress has happened in securing a land for our permanent Islamic centre. After a lot of uncertainty regarding Damastown Avenue land, we recently got promising news from Fingal County Council.

It has not been a year without challenges for the board and for the community. The COVID-19 pandemic had a serious impact on our activities. We ask Allah SWT to lift this pandemic soon and to protect all of us.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your donations and support as well as the brothers and sisters who have contributed with their time and effort to support MCND over the last year. We believe that working together as a Muslim community, there is no limit to what we can achieve. Unity is our strength.

The Board of Directors

LEGAL FRAME

Muslim Community of North Dublin Company Limited by Guarantee (MCND) was established as an association in 2003. The Association registered with the CRO under number 379622.

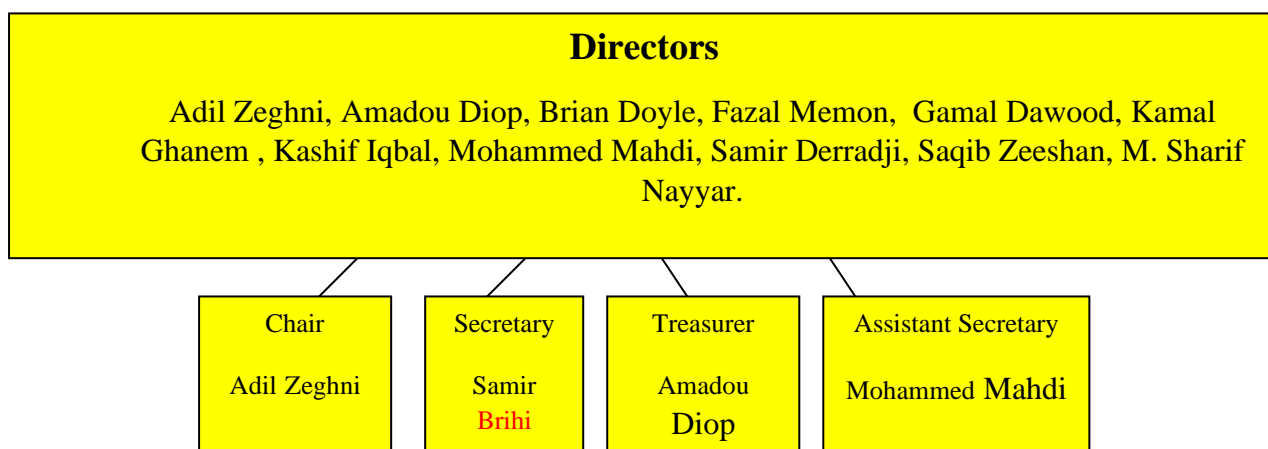
Charity Number: CHY 17842

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Registered Address: 8 Limelawn Court, Clonsilla, Dublin 15

Current Address: Unit 6, Coolport, Coolmine Industrial Estate,
Blanchardstown, Dublin 15.

OUR PEOPLE



Resignation:

The following directors have resigned during the year 2019-2020:

- 1- Mr Youcif Sai
- 2- Mr Wedaa Esawy
- 3- Mr Ihab Ijawi

MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

Our mission is to gain the pleasure of Allah by serving the best interests of Islam and Muslims in the North-West of Dublin particularly, and in Ireland more broadly, by helping Muslims practise their faith according to the Qur'an and Sunnah.

Our aims are to:

- 1- Promote education by providing classes in Islamic studies and Qur'an as well as other social and cultural activities of Muslim community.
- 2- Co-operate with other similar charity bodies on beneficial causes.
- 3- Provide religious services such as the five daily prayers, Friday prayer and Eid prayers.
- 4- Support and run youth activities throughout the year
- 5- Provide a prayer space that is accommodating to all Muslim, reflecting the community's diversity in gender, national origins, culture, age, socio-economic and educational backgrounds.

Our strategy to achieve some of our objectives can be summarised in the following points:

- A. Continue to hold regular Islamic programs and projects in the mosque as well as upload beneficial talks and lectures on our new website- www.mcnd.ie
- B. Organise a variety of activities including, but not limited to social, cultural, religious, and educational activities.
- C. Strengthen brotherly bonds and relations among Muslims.
- D. Offer Muslims in the North-West of Dublin, and local areas, membership and active participation in MCND's activities.

PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

Bank accounts	General Bank Account (Expenses)	Mosque Project Bank Account
	Bank of Ireland, Main Street, Blanchardstown, Dublin15 BIC: BOFIE2D, IBAN: IE56BOFI90042092179692.	Bank of Ireland, Main Street, Blanchardsown, Dublin15 BIC :BOFIE2D IBAN: IE61BOFI90042025895525
Accountant	IAAPS Accountants and Tax Consultant Unit 43, Porters Road, Coolmine Industrial Estate, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15	
Solicitor	Quinn & Reynolds Solicitors, 56 Blessington Street, Dublin 7	

MEMBERSHIP

The charity is open to the public for all activities that aim to fulfil the objectives of MCND.

Full membership of the MCND is free and shall be open to:

- Muslim individuals of 18 years and over, who are residing legally in Ireland and live in north of Dublin.
- Juniors under the age of 18, who are interested in participating in the work of the MCND subject to consent of their parents, are not entitled to vote at general meetings.

MEETINGS, SGMs AND SUBCOMMITTEES

The board of directors had 10 meetings since being elected in October 2020. Minutes of the meetings are kept and maintained by the Secretary and ready for inspection by members. To inspect the minutes members must make a formal request by contacting the Secretary.

One SGM was held on 13th June 2021 to discuss and vote upon resolution proposing the purchasing of Unit 6 Coolmine Industrial Estate, Dublin 15 by the MCND to be used for the Community activities. The resolution passed by majority of 94% which surplus the required 75% for any Special Resolution.

Two subcommittees were formed during the year by the board. The first subcommittee is to look at the Cash Handling procedure and consisted of Amadou Diop, Brian Doyle and Kamal Ghanem.

The second subcommittee is to look and the Memorandum and Article of the Association and to advise the board of any amendment is needed. This subcommittee consisted of Fazal Memon, Brian Doyle and Samir Brihi

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- 5 daily prayers (Coolmine Mussala, Coolmine Industrial Estate, Dublin 15).
- Weekly Friday Sermon (Hartstown Community Centre & Coolmine mussala)
- Education and Training:
 - Qur'an memorisation – 4 times per week
 - Arabic Classes – Bi-weekly
 - Religious Education – Bi-weekly
 - Womens Qur'an and Islamic studies classes- 5 days a week
- Youth Club
- Festival Celebrations (only one Eid took place during the year due to Covid restrictions)
- Ramadan activities: Ramadan was different this year due to COVID-19. We had to change the way we run some of the activities and had to cancel others.
 - Collect your Iftar
 - Iftar for frontline workers and people who are in cocooning
 - Collection and distribution of Zakat-al fitr
 - Quran Competition.
 - Virtual Friday collection for expenses and Mosque Project.
 - Fundraising for the Mosque project.
We run a very successful “Collect your Iftar” last Ramadan. Two local restaurants were involved Falafel and Darbar. Thanks to all involved.
- Kickboxing Club
Since December 2018, MCND has been running a Martial Arts activity (Kickboxing techniques) opened to children and adults and taking place every Sunday morning. The activity is led by brother Aziz who is a professional and fully qualified trainer. The goal is to encourage everyone of our community to exercise and stay fit and healthy as we Islamically ordered. The number of participants has rapidly grown to roughly 25 kids and 10 adults coming regularly to the training session. A small amount of €10-15 per person is required just to cover the rent costs.
Unfortunately, we had to stop this activity due to COVID-19.
The ICT team did a great job by developing our website and launching MCND prayer times App. Sincere thanks to Gamal Dawood and Ahmed Nashaat.

FUTURE PLANS

Vision for the future is:

- To continue collecting funds that will contribute towards the purchase of a permanent premise for all our activities that accommodates all its members including women, children and those with special needs. There have been developments and progress in relation to the Damastown Avenue land. We will soon know if the project will get the green light and the price of the land. We will inform you as soon as more information unfolded. We need to work very hard collectively to ensure that we have enough funds in case we are offered the land.
- To continue to expand our current educational, spiritual and sporting activities for all members of the community.
- To promote interreligious dialogue.
- To establish a sports club.
- To develop policies and procedures to make MCND a better and more functioning organisation.

FUNDING

The charity is financially supported by donations after the Friday prayer collections, from regular community members and others in Ireland. In relation to our Mosque Project, avenues for funding outside the immediate community need to be explored. A realistic plan for local fundraising is to identify 200-250 people who can contribute approximately €2000 per year for the next three to five years, as well as to identify those who can donate more than this. We are working on this plan now. The total amount collected for the Mosque Project is €442,548.49 and for the expenses is €41,337.80 (As of Monday 04/10/2021).

Other approaches have been considered and some have already been implemented such as the Ramadan Campaign and GoFundMe and Card Sum-Up machines. We also have collections boxes at various mosques and shops. We are also considering international donations to fund our project.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1-We gratefully acknowledge the donations from organisations and individuals. May Allah reward them for their generosity.

2-We are grateful to the many brothers and sisters who helped as volunteers in functions and activities organised in MCND. We are grateful to our Imams, Quran teachers and volunteers for their efforts and dedication in the past years.

3. We would also like to thank Brother Khubaib and IAAPS Accountant for taking the responsibility of preparing and submitting our accounts free of charge.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

The Directors, who served during the year are shown above, did not receive any remuneration nor derived any other financial interests from the transactions of the MCND

The report was discussed by the board of directors and approved 2nd October 2021. The report will be presented to the members at the AGM on Sunday 31st October 2021.

Appendix 1

Muslim Community of North Dublin
(A Company Limited by Guarantee and not having Share Capital)

Profit and loss account
Financial year ended 30 April 2020

	Note	2020 €	2019 €
Turnover		75,217	68,494
Gross profit		<u>75,217</u>	<u>68,494</u>
Administrative expenses		(12,282)	(11,859)
Operating profit		<u>62,935</u>	<u>56,635</u>
Profit before taxation		<u>62,935</u>	<u>56,635</u>
Tax on profit		-	-
Profit for the financial year		<u><u>62,935</u></u>	<u><u>56,635</u></u>

The company has no other recognised items of income and expenses other than the results for the financial year as set out above.

Appendix 2

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Statement of income and retained earnings
Financial year ended 30 April 2020

	2020	2019
	€	€
Profit for the financial year	62,935	56,635
Retained earnings at the start of the financial year	117,031	60,396
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year	<u>179,966</u>	<u>117,031</u>

Appendix 3

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Balance sheet
As at 30 April 2020

	Note	2020 €	€	2019 €	€
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		179,966		117,031	
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Net current assets		179,966		117,031	
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>179,966</u>		<u>117,031</u>	
Net assets		<u><u>179,966</u></u>		<u><u>117,031</u></u>	
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account		179,966		117,031	
Members funds		<u><u>179,966</u></u>		<u><u>117,031</u></u>	

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with Section 1A of FRS 102 Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

We, as directors of Muslim Community of North Dublin state that:

- the company is availing itself of the exemption provided for by Chapter 15 of Part 6 of the Companies Act 2014;
- the company is availing itself of the exemption on the grounds that the conditions specified in section 358 of the Companies Act 2014 are satisfied;
- the members of the company have not served a notice on the company under section 334(1) of the Companies Act 2014 in accordance with section 334(2); and
- We acknowledge the company's obligations under the Companies Act 2014, to keep adequate accounting records and prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company at the end of its financial year and of its profit or loss for such a financial year and to otherwise comply with the provisions of Companies Act 2014 relating to financial statements so far as they are applicable to the company.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 2 February 2021 and signed on behalf of the board by:

Adil Zeghni
Director

Youssef Sai
Director