

Iron Aid Foundation

Registered Charity Number 1134493

Recap of 2013-2014 and our Vision for the coming year.

As defined in our Articles of incorporation Iron Aid Foundation was setup with specific community oriented goals. These goals are core to our belief of providing education to Muslims in the area and to promote good citizenship with the muslim community as well as driving engagement with the wider non-muslim community.

During the last year we have continued to look for suitable properties in the Northwood/Pinner area in order to establish a base from where we could provide a centre for education, promote social inclusion and drive engagement with the surrounding non-muslim community . In order to be viable there has to be ample parking, a D1 usage (which allows for community uses and places of worship etc) and 24/7 access. We have now appointed an estate agent to actively search for a D1 property for us.

Fundraising

Our fundraising has fallen into two broad areas. Firstly we raise funds for acquiring or renting a property which will serve as a community centre so the charity can work towards it's core objectives. Secondly we raise money for worthy causes. In September 2013 we ran an Eid Event at the Harrow Mosque where we invited St Johns Church elders, Councillor Carol Melvin and Commander Mak Chisty of the Metropolitan Police. The primary purpose of this event was to raise money for medical facilities (civilian casualties) in Syria and secondly to promote cohesion with the Police force and local MP's. On the night we raised £58,185.33.

Careers Fair – in June of last year we held a careers fair for students in the community who will be graduating. The event was very successful and we had over 100 participants and 10 different professions represented including Medicine, Law, Police, Teaching and Technology.

Our relationship with the St John's church has continued to go from strength to strength and we now use the funds we have raised so far to rent the Hallowell Hall, hence we are able to deliver on the vision of Iron Aid Foundation which was to promote Community Cohesion and Worship. This rental will be primarily for community engagement and fundraising events to advance and promote the relief of poverty of any persons who are in need, irrespective of their race, caste, nationality and creed.

Our vision for an engaged and open relationship with the wider community in the area and establishing a community centre remains as strong and vibrant as ever and as we Muslims say: "Insha –Allah" (God Willing) we will succeed.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Trustees of Iron Aid Foundation.