

Personal Statements of Candidates

Election at the 2025 Annual General Meeting

Name: Dr Amjad Altadmri

Role: Executive Committee Chairperson.

Alsalam Alikom,

I would like to be nominated for the Executive Chairman position to serve Muslim Community in Canterbury and around. My main objectives:

- Keep the unity of our community
- Build on the efforts of previous committees and move forward
- Work with other committee members to establish procedures and systems for different activities related to our community
- Empower community members to be more involved in the CMCC activities and play higher roles
- Cooperate with other mosques and islamic centers in Kent to serve our community

My previous volunteering roles and community leaderships give me the needed experience to execute the role. These include:

- 2022 - Chairman of Ta'alof committee: Ta'alof is a registered charity in Turkey, which serves immigrants and expats from my hometown who are residents in different parts of the world. It provides cultural activities and delivers humanitarian projects. A new committee is elected each year, and I served in 2022 as chairman, where we established new projects some of which are still running until now.
- 2019 - present: CMCC volunteer. Many roles including Deputy Imam.
- 2017: CMCC Imam for 9 Months
- 2014 - 2017: CMCC Committee member - Media Officer
- 2010: President - Islamic Society of The University of Lincoln
- 1997: President - Student Union in High School

I believe that my experience and relationships in Canterbury Community and elsewhere will help in executing the role in serving Muslim Community in Canterbury and around.

Alsalam Alikom,

Amjad

Name: Bakhtawer Batool

Role: Executive Committee Youth Liaison and Education Officer

My name is Bakhtawer Batool and I'm a resident of Canterbury. I am excited to submit my nomination for Youth Liaison and Education Outreach Officer. I am a proactive professional who has been consistently praised as efficient by my co-workers and management. Over the course of my 6 years professional career, I have consistently demonstrated problem-solving, multitasking and communication abilities.

I've been learning and developing throughout my journey with Islam, and I can't wait to add to the lively community at Canterbury Muslim Cultural Centre. I have a strong sense of compassion and a desire to help people because of my faith, and I believe my background and abilities complement the Centre's goal of creating a friendly and inclusive environment for everyone.

I've been actively involved in youth activities, such as youth events, community outreach, and mosque volunteer work, which has helped me hone my leadership abilities and deepen my understanding of the value of community involvement. I am especially drawn to support educational initiatives, and intercultural engagement and social justice.

In addition to being thrilled about the chance to learn and develop with the committed people who make this center a beacon of faith and community, I am sure that I can contribute significantly to Canterbury Muslim Cultural Centre by working as Youth Liaison and Education Outreach Officer through helping with educational events, promoting educational opportunities, administrative tasks, and mentoring youth.

Name: Dr Moustafa Yehia

Role: Executive Committee Deputy Chairperson

I am honored to put myself forward for the role of Chairperson during the upcoming AGM.

I bring a diverse set of skills, including leadership, strategic planning, and effective communication, all of which are essential for this important role. With a background in the medical field, I have developed strong management and organizational abilities that will enable me to contribute meaningfully to the continued success of the mosque.

My commitment to this role is rooted in a deep desire to make a positive impact, not only for our Muslim community but for all those we serve. I am fully prepared to undertake any necessary training to enhance my skills and better serve our committee's goals. I will work diligently to ensure that CMCC remains a beacon of knowledge, charity, and community involvement.

My vision is to create a space where we can empower our younger members, strengthen ties within our community, and ensure the mosque continues to thrive and serve the needs of everyone, both spiritually and socially. I am dedicated to fulfilling this responsibility with sincerity and humility, seeking only the pleasure of Allah.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

Kind Regards,

Dr Moustafa Yehia

Name: Niaz Ahmad

Role: Executive Committee Treasurer

I am honoured to apply for the position of Treasurer at the Mosque in Canterbury. As a qualified accountant with over 20 years of experience in financial management, I am eager to contribute my expertise to ensure the financial stability and transparency of our esteemed institution.

Throughout my career, I have managed complex financial operations, budgeting, forecasting, and regulatory compliance for various organizations. I am proficient in financial reporting, risk management, and strategic planning, all of which are essential for overseeing the financial affairs of the Mosque. My ability to implement efficient financial systems and controls will help maintain accountability and optimize the allocation of resources.

Beyond my professional qualifications, I have a deep sense of commitment to the community and a strong desire to serve. I understand the importance of managing the Mosque's finances with integrity, ensuring donations and resources are utilized effectively to support religious, educational, and charitable initiatives.

If given the opportunity, I will work diligently to uphold financial best practices, enhance transparency, and support the long-term sustainability of the Mosque. I look forward to the possibility of serving in this role and contributing to the continued growth of our community.

Thank you for considering my application.