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**The Council of European Jamaats**

# **COEJ REPORT 2021-24**

A large, blue-tinted photograph occupies the bottom half of the page. It shows several hands clasped together in a supportive grip, with a person's face partially visible on the right side. The image conveys a sense of unity and service.

*We aim to inspire,  
uplift and serve*





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## About us

CoEJ is the regional body for KSI Jamaats in Europe. Comprising of 17 centres in Europe, we aim to inspire, uplift & serve.



# MESSAGE FROM THE COEJ PRESIDENT

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatu,

With the grace and blessings of the Almighty I have had the pleasure to serve as the President of CoEJ for the past 3 years. It has been a transformative journey, striving together to uplift our community in every way, strengthening our institutions, and ensuring that the values and principles that define the Khoja Shia Ithna-Asheri Muslim community in Europe continue to thrive. It has been an honour to serve as your President, and I am deeply proud of the progress we have made as a collective. Progress that reflects our shared vision, hard work, and unwavering commitment to the well-being of our Jamaats and to the wider community.

I want to express my gratitude to every single one of you. Our Jamaats, trustees, volunteers, and community members. Without your trust, support, and dedication, none of this would have been possible. You are the heart of this community, and together, we have laid the foundations for a stronger, more united future.

Together with my committed team I have commenced and progressed many exciting projects but the work is far from complete. The foundations we have laid need to be built upon, and the initiatives we have started require continuity and further development to reach their full potential.

Our community faces ongoing challenges, and we must remain vigilant and proactive in addressing them. From enhancing the financial sustainability of our institutions to expanding our spiritual, educational and social services, and from promoting unity and inclusion to tackling emerging issues with foresight and compassion—there is much more to be done.

**Salim Rehmatullah**





Birmingham, UK



Al-Abbas Islamic Centre

London South, UK



Hyderi Islamic Centre

Essex, UK



Ali Reza Islamic Centre

Leeds, UK



Baab ul Ilm

Leicester, UK



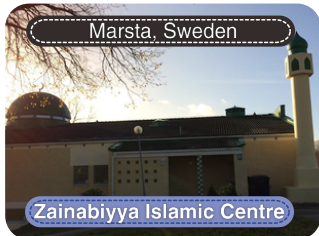
Masjid Al-Husayn

Milton Keynes, UK



Zainabiya Islamic Centre

Marsta, Sweden



Zainabiyya Islamic Centre

North Paris, France



Mehfil-e-Zainab

South Paris, France



Mohammadi Imam

North London, UK



Hujjat KSMC

Peterborough, UK



Husaini Islamic Centre

Trolhattan, Sweden



Muslim Shia Forsamling

Watford, UK



Anjuman-e-Jafariyyah

La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland



KSIJ Centre Imam-e-Zamana

Wessex, UK



Al Mahdi Centre

Switzerland



The Council of Switzerland

Gloucester, UK



KSMC Gloucester

# OUR 17 JAMAATS

# KEY ACIEVEMENTS 2021-24

**£150K+**

Issued for the  
Imam Reza  
Hardship Fund

**£270K +**

Towards relief

**Joint  
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With 3 other Jamaats



**2000+**

Record  
breaking  
MAMT  
attendance

Leeds property  
purchase worth over

**£200k**



Various Quran  
Competitions with  
**highest-ever**  
participant counts  
through ICRA

**120+**

Attendees  
over 3 LDPs

**20,000 +**

Views for our newly  
launched K2 Podcast.



Facilitated  
Khums Ijazah  
for **5 European  
projects**

## New & upcoming initiatives

- Business Directory Launch
- Beta Launch of the Shia Alchemy platform
- Imam Reza Hardship Fund
- Khoja Konnection Podcast Launch
- 2025 Super MAMT



# NEW AND UPCOMING

- CoEJ Marcomms and social media initiatives
- Acquisition of additional **Investment** property for CoEJ
- Conducted the CoEJ European Census with over **4000 data entries**
- Regularly held **Contests** to optimise maximum community engagement
- Assisted with the **MCE Pilot Programme** with UK maddresahs
- Implemented the Marriage Contract across all European Jamaats
- Directed a **Chairmen's Retreat** to Establish Shared Goals and Unity
- Two **Heads of Board Retreats** to cultivate a unified purpose and foster cohesion
- Organised a **Women's Retreat** to enhance leadership and community building
- Hosted a **Chair Ladies' Retreat** to review common practices and create bonds
- Introduced **CoEJ CEP** - Couples Enrichment Programme, to support married couples with conflict resolution, emotional intelligence and Islamic Marriage Values

## Collaborations and supporting projects

- Budding Mu'min
- Saliheen books
- Bibi Khadija Entrepreneurship
- Qur'an Competitions around Europe



## The European Hajj Mission

This continues to be a **vital resource for pilgrims**, providing guidance and support throughout the sacred journey of Hajj. In the wake of COVID-19, Hajj has faced significant changes, including reduced attendance and shifts in how Jamaats are managed. Despite these challenges, the European Hajj Mission has adapted and evolved, ensuring that pilgrims can continue to perform Hajj safely and effectively.

The mission remains **one of the leading organisations** for European Hajj pilgrims, striving to improve the quality and reach of its services.



# IMAM REZA

## HARDSHIP FUND

### Open to every KSI member in Europe

The CoEJ hardship fund has been established to provide financial assistance to Jamaat members facing financial difficulties due to various reasons, such as unexpected emergencies, economic hardships, or specific qualifying criteria.

#### Shia Alchemy – Traditional matchmaking, made digital.

We say traditional because our approach involves personal introductions.

It's how we arrive at those introductions where the alchemy happens.

We call it the Alchemy Matchmaking Methodology which involves a powerful combination of intuitive matchmaking and modern behavioral psychology.

*Join today and enjoy priority access when **ShiaAlchemy.com** launches in 2024!*



## COEJ MEDIATION SERVICES

Building on the legacy of Marhum Kassam Jaffer and his vision for a high-quality Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) service for our community, CoEJ has trained, and continues to invest in the training of, mediators.

This service aims to provide an alternative option to lengthy, bitter, and expensive court proceedings and attempts to heal relationships. We aim for this service to help members of the community resolve family, community, and business disputes amicably, effectively, and by mutually agreed solutions.



**Voluntary**

**Confidentiality**

**Impartiality**





## K2 Podcast

In 2024, CoEJ proudly established the Khoja Konnection Podcast. Since its inception, we have had the privilege of hosting five remarkable guests who have engaged in constructive, powerful, and honest conversations.

Each episode aims to bridge gaps, transform mindsets, and inspire growth across our Jamaats.

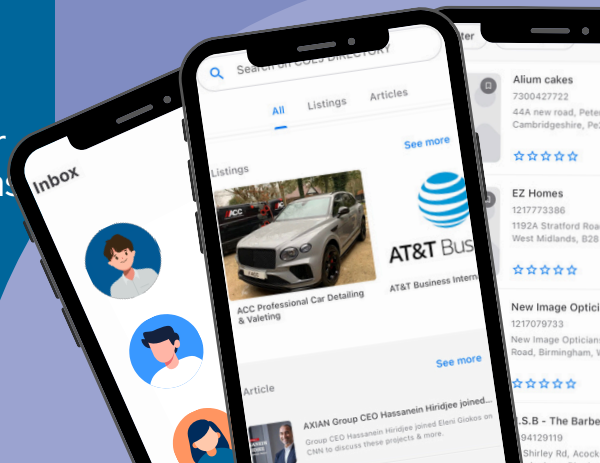
Hosted by Dourine Hirdjee, the podcast has become a platform for meaningful dialogue and shared experiences, enhancing our collective journey. Join us as we continue to explore and address important topics that matter to our community.

## CoEJ Directory

- Find, contact and review businesses on the go.
- Connect with potential customers.
- Publish articles, review analytics and start conversations.

State of the art system to connect businesses from across 17 Jamaats throughout Europe

You can download the free app or join online at [coejdirectory.co.uk](http://coejdirectory.co.uk)



# 9 ECMS, 3 AGMS

## \*Meetings held in...

- Birmingham
- Essex
- Hujjat Harefield
- Leeds
- Leicester
- Märsta
- Milton Keynes
- Paris South
- Peterborough







# **SECRETARIAT**

## Report

Term 2021 - 2024

# Our Priorities

## Sustainability

Ensuring the long-term financial health of our Jamaats was a critical focus this year. CoEJ invested in real estate ventures, such as the joint property purchase with Leeds, Essex, and Milton Keynes Jamaats, to build a resilient financial portfolio. Additionally, we streamlined internal processes, including the efficient management of the Imam Reza Hardship Fund, ensuring that resources were allocated effectively to support those in need within our community

## Community

CoEJ actively promoted collaboration through joint projects and events. Following the effects of the pandemic, CoEJ restarted camp CoEJ, the LDP, and actively engaged with the grassroots with digital content.

## Empowerment

CoEJ organised several initiatives to cultivate the next generation of leaders. This included the Leadership Development Programs (LDP), where young adults were equipped with essential skills and knowledge to take on leadership roles. Additionally, Camp CoEJ provided a platform for youths to engage in mentorship and self-development activities, while regular creative contests encouraged the expression of their talents and ideas.

**Secretary General:**  
**Azmina Hansraj**



**Asst. Secretary General:**  
**Nawal Jeraj**

The CoEJ Secretariat has played a pivotal role in coordinating and supporting the various activities and initiatives of our organization over the past year. As the central hub of operations, the secretariat has ensured that our diverse range of projects, from community outreach programs to international collaborations, have been executed efficiently and effectively.

## Supporting Board Activities

The secretariat worked closely with each of the CoEJ boards to facilitate the successful implementation of their respective programs. This included logistical support for events, communication management, and ensuring alignment with CoEJ's overall strategic goals.

## National Council Meeting

CoEJ was honoured to participate in the National Council Meeting of the Muslim Council of Britain (MCB), where our Secretary General took on the role of chairing the session. This important meeting served as a platform for strengthening relationships between key Muslim organizations across the UK.

## MCBx Event

In early June, we had the privilege of attending the MCBx Conference. The event, themed "Leading Change Together," brought together leaders and members of the Muslim community to celebrate the positive impact of British Muslims across the nation. The event highlighted various inspiring initiatives and campaigns that have contributed to societal change and showcased the power of collective effort.



## Community Engagement

The secretariat has been at the forefront of engaging with our member Jamaats and the wider community. Through consistent outreach, we have fostered stronger connections and encouraged greater participation in CoEJ's initiatives.

### Ramadhan Contest

During the holy month of Ramadhan, CoEJ launched a vibrant contest encouraging our community members to capture and share their most inspirational Ramadan moments through photos on Instagram.

The contest attracted a diverse range of entries, each showcasing unique experiences such as prayer, acts of kindness, and the special moments of breaking fast.



### Muharram Contest

During Muharram/Safar 1446AH, CoEJ received inspiring clips from the children in various communities aligning with the theme, "Karbala Inspires."



## Presidents Retreat and Head of Boards Retreat

In 2024, CoEJ brought together key leaders from across our member Jamaats. These retreats provided an essential space for collaboration, strategic discussions, and leadership development.



## MUS Jaffaria Convention

CoEJ office bearers were honoured to attend the MUS Jaffaria Convention, a significant gathering that brought together leaders and members from across the Shia Muslim community. The convention focused on strengthening unity, fostering collaboration, and addressing the challenges faced by our communities in Europe.



CoEJ and AFED leadership recently attended the **50th anniversary of Paris South Jamaat**.

This milestone highlights the incredible journey of one of our communities as a vibrant hub for cultural, educational, and spiritual development.





With a new Marketing & Communications Officer, we were able to use this resource to spread awareness about various CoEJ & Jamaat activities:

- Promoting Camp CoEJ, LDPs, MAMT & Senior trips, etc.
- Promoting CoEJ's various online webinars
- Produced engaging content to share our activities
- Monthly activities email newsletter
- New WhatsApp channel and LinkedIn page
- Established a reciter and creator database
- K2 Podcast
- Co-ordinating two social media based contests engaging communities in Europe.
- Publishing resources for the community, e.g., Muharram Handbook, Closed for Ashura posters, etc.

We have also actively been engaging with CoEJ Member Jamaats and the WF of KSIMC on social media, and aim to build a community around us, which we hope community members will find supportive and beneficial.



**Stay updated with our events by following CoEJ on Social Media**

Instagram/Facebook: @coejamaats



# Head of Seniors trip to Paris

Weekend of 20/21st January 2023









November 2-3 & 23-24 2024



£299

There's not even cost to be a member for anyone attending. Free on travelling to meet in full person, please contact us in confidence.



Kents Hill Park,  
Timbold Drive,  
Milton Keynes,  
MK7 6BZ

**2024 COEJ LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

"A wonderful opportunity to get to know how to **maximise your own unique style** and to understand how your actions can impact others. A must for people seeking to improve their interpersonal skills"

Register at: [coej.org](http://coej.org) | Queries: [tdp@coej.org](mailto:tdp@coej.org)

news and comms

# MUHARRAM 1446AH

# AROUND

# EUROPE

**Reciters**

**Bayan**

- Shaykh Ibrahim Muhaimin
- Shaykh Al-Muhammadiyah al-Qadiriyyah
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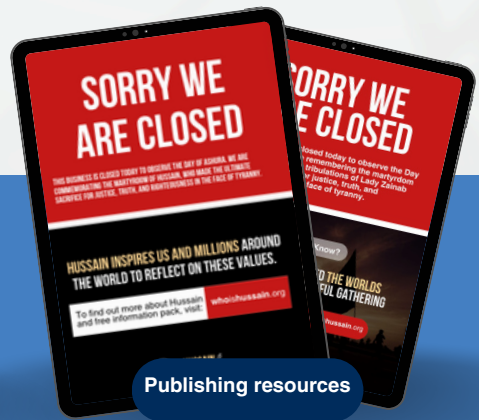
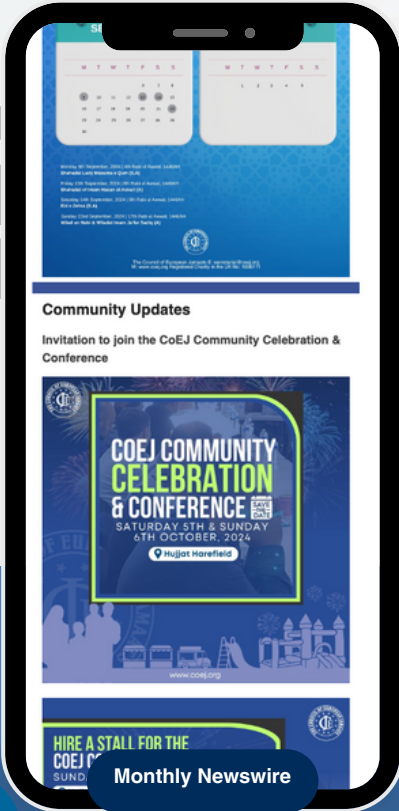
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# **BOARDS**

## Key Highlights

# CAMP COEJ

48 campers each year

3 days of training

12 mentors

Over the past two years, Camp CoEJ successfully held two transformative summer camps, marking a return after the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. The camps were restarted with great determination and effort by the dedicated team, ensuring a safe and enriching environment for our youth.

Boys and Girls camps would happen separately and simultaneously, where the children would build skills, learn and have fun.

The main focus of the camps included:

- Service to Community and Society
- Self-reflection
- Character building
- Creating opportunities for lasting friendships
- Guided discussions and gaining knowledge

The camps not only provided valuable life skills but also fostered a sense of unity and fun, making them memorable experiences for all who attended.





# COEJ LDP

Our Leadership Development Programmes have successfully empowered numerous individuals, fostering a new generation of capable and confident leaders. These programs have been instrumental in enhancing participants' leadership capabilities, strategic thinking, and community engagement.

Participants engaged enthusiastically in the interactive sessions to develop their reflective capacity, learn about themselves and their values, challenge their behaviours towards others so they can operate in an ethical and intelligent way.

Participants fed back how the supportive and challenging learning environment helped them to learn life lessons and associated behaviour changes to improve themselves, and better serve their families and communities.

Following on this, capacity building also facilitated training programmes for volunteers. The participants learned valuable skills for effectively engaging with others in a positive and impactful way.





# SENIORS

The Seniors Board has continued to foster connection, cultural appreciation, and spiritual enrichment through a variety of activities.

In collaboration with Birmingham Seniors, we organised an **Africa Heritage trip**, allowing our seniors to explore and celebrate their roots.

Additionally, the Seniors Board **supported an Iran Ziyarah trip**, a joint venture organised by the Peterborough, Birmingham, and Leicester Seniors.

A **meeting in Paris** was held to strengthen ties and discuss future initiatives, while a **series of Zoom meetings** were conducted for UK and European seniors' heads, encouraging collaboration and shared learning.

In May 2024, the Seniors Network Desk (SND) hosted a heartwarming Eid ul Fitr **gathering** at Hyderi Islamic Centre, bringing our seniors together for a joyous celebration.

In June, the SND supported the Imam Sahebu Zamaan Day gathering, organised by the Hussaini Senior Citizen of Leicester Jamaat.



# WOMENS

The Women's Board has been at the forefront of fostering growth, empowerment, and connection within our community.

One of the highlights of their recent initiatives was the **Chairladies Conference in 2022**, which was fully packed with valuable insights and dynamic discussions. This event brought together influential women from various backgrounds, providing a platform for sharing knowledge, experiences, and strategies for effective leadership.

Another significant milestone for the Women's Board was the first-ever **Ladies Youth Retreat**. This retreat was a profound journey of self-discovery, offering participants the perfect opportunity to network with like-minded individuals.



In addition to these major events, the Women's Board has also facilitated various **online** classes, podcasts, and webinars. These initiatives have provided continuous learning opportunities and a platform for ongoing discussions on relevant topics.

Through these initiatives, the Women's Board continues to inspire and empower women, encouraging them to reach their full potential and contribute meaningfully to their communities.





# MAMT

Recovering from the impact of COVID-19, we have implemented new strategies aimed at enhancing our sports programs. One key initiative was to produce more focused tournaments throughout the year to boost participation and promote sports continuously.

Looking ahead to 2025, we are excited to explore the organisation of a Super MAMT (Mulla Asghar Memorial Tournament) that will be open to Jamaats internationally.

The CoEJ MAMT remains a major event in our sports calendar, fostering unity and sportsmanship within our community.

The recent tournaments have showcased remarkable athletic talent and showcased the value of physical fitness and teamwork, making them both memorable and impactful events.





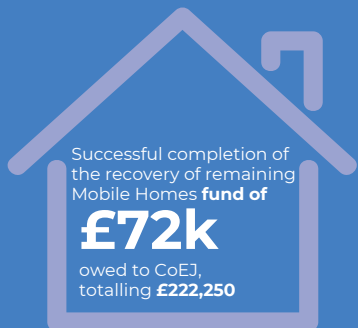
# **TREASURY**

## Updates





# Treasury Highlights



One of our key roles is **pooling funding and resources** to support Jamaat projects.

Through collaboration and shared vision, we help bring vital **community projects** to life.

**8 capital projects**  
facilitated for Jamaat  
Building, Extension  
and other projects.



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Reza Hardship Fund

**Joint  
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**£270K +**  
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relief

## This includes

- Ali Asghar Water appeal
- Emergency appeals
- Ramadhan relief funds
- Sadaqah
- And many more



The Treasury oversees a range of essential functions within CoEJ, including **budgeting, financial planning, and investment management**. These efforts ensure that we can continue to fund important projects, support our member Jamaats, and invest in initiatives that drive growth and **development** within our community.

Among its key initiatives is the Imam Reza Hardship Fund, designed to provide financial assistance to community members facing unexpected difficulties.

Our goal is to maintain a robust financial **structure** that enables CoEJ to fulfil its mission and vision for years to come.



## Streamlining processes

By implementing modern financial management systems and best practices, we have improved transparency, accountability, and responsiveness across all our financial operations.

Our new accounting software is Liberty. This is a UK-based piece of accounting software with special support for non-profits. Charity focused functionality includes specific fund management and tools to help streamline the process of claiming gift aid.

There is specific fund accounting and a simple one-click statement of financial activities, making it uncomplicated for SORP reporting. Collaboration and handovers are also easy on Liberty.



**Liberty Accounts**

EST. 1996

# UPDATE ON MOBILE HOMES

£150,000 received  
during 2021



£62,250 received  
during 2022



£10,000 of legal costs  
recovered

Total received: **£222,250** (out of which £212,250 was ring fenced for investments as per the last AGM dated 9 October 2021)



## JOINT INVESTMENT VENTURE

In a significant move towards fostering community growth and collaboration, the Council of European Jamaats (CoEJ), in partnership with the Jamaats of Leeds, Essex, and Milton Keynes, has **jointly purchased a property** at 7 Acacia Terrace, Seacroft, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS14 6ZQ. This strategic investment aims to support and finance the objectives of the involved charities, **marking a new era of cooperation and shared vision.**





This collaborative effort highlights the strength of unity among the Jamaats and their commitment to achieving common goals. The property at 7 Acacia Terrace will serve as a vital asset in supporting various charitable initiatives, enhancing the impact of each participating Jamaat.



“ Investing in real estate to build a portfolio is more than just acquiring properties; it's about building a strong financial foundation for the future. By diversifying our Jamaat investments in real estate, we can create a resilient portfolio that can weather economic fluctuations and provide long-term wealth. Thinking big in a joint venture with Jamaats ”

“ I am delighted to announce the acquisition of two properties in Leeds, surpassing CoEJ's current investment portfolio to over £1 million, advancing our path to self-sustainability. Our strategic joint investment with the Essex, Leeds, and Milton Keynes Jamaats on the first property also sets the stage for further successful collaborations. Together, we anticipate a future filled with growth, opportunity, and transformative change, Insha'Allah. ”



“ As President of KSIMC of Leeds, I am delighted to announce the joint purchase of a property in collaboration with CoEJ Essex and Milton Keynes Jamaats. This strategic investment aims to support and finance the objectives of our respective charities. Inshallah, this marks the beginning of many more such fruitful collaborations. Together, we can achieve great things for our communities. ”



“ On behalf of Milton Keynes jamaat, I am delighted to announce the completion and acquisition of the property in Leeds under a joint venture with CoEJ, Leeds jamaat and Essex Jamaat. It is indeed an exciting beginning to a fruitful future inshaallah. ”



“ Essex Jamaat is delighted to announce purchase of a property in Leeds in collaboration with Council of European Jamaats, Milton Keynes and Leeds Jamaats. This is InshaAllah the first investment of many with the purpose of making our Jamaat self sustainable in future. ”

## INVESTMENT UPDATES

### Peterborough

\*As of May 2024

CoEJ continues to actively manage its property portfolio, including two properties in Peterborough.

The Watergall property, initially valued at £135k, reached £210k by May 2024, while the Pendleton Drive property increased from £135k to £185k.

£210k\*

£185k\*



£135k  
Watergall property

£135k  
Pendleton Drive

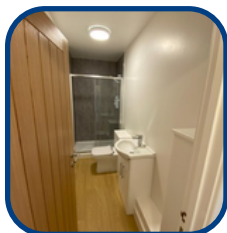
We have also been renovating the properties periodically and increasing rent when applicable (performing rent reviews to align with the market)

### Leeds

In addition to the JIV, CoEJ acquired the property at 9 Acacia Terrace for £208k. This expansion strengthens their real estate portfolio, aimed at fostering long-term financial sustainability for our initiatives.







## Southampton (KSIMC Investments Ltd)

CoEJ made an investment of approximately £50,000 in a project in Southampton, converting office spaces into six flats. The project, completed within budget, achieved a conservative total equity gain of £450k.

The project owns several properties on High Street. These investments contribute to long-term financial sustainability.

The board of the company contains equal representation from the founder members' capital contributions made. Profit generated by the company would be wholly distributed back to the founder members in line with their respective shareholdings.

As of August 2024, the total funds invested in KSIMC Investments Ltd amounts to **£4.693m**. This is split between the WF of KSIMC (87.01%) and CoEJ (12.99%) in terms of capital invested.



**£6.450m**  
Value as of August 2024



**10**  
Commercial  
properties  
Acquired



**26**  
flats  
Created



**37.43%**  
Over £1.175m  
Increase in value



**10.01%**  
Overall gross yield

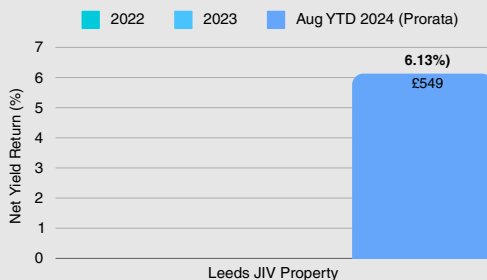
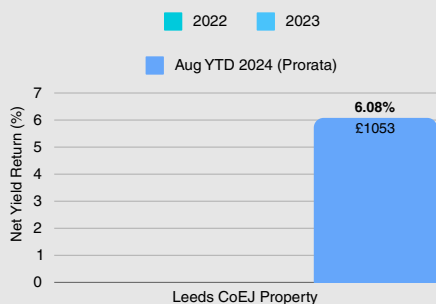
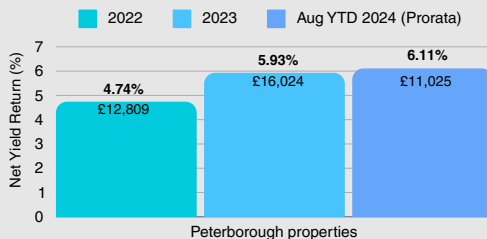
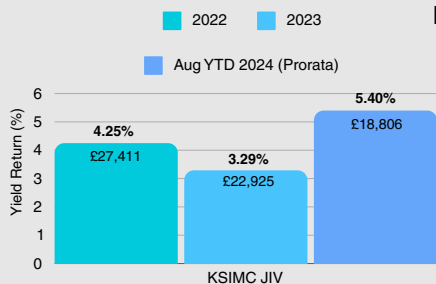


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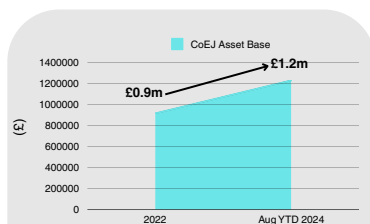
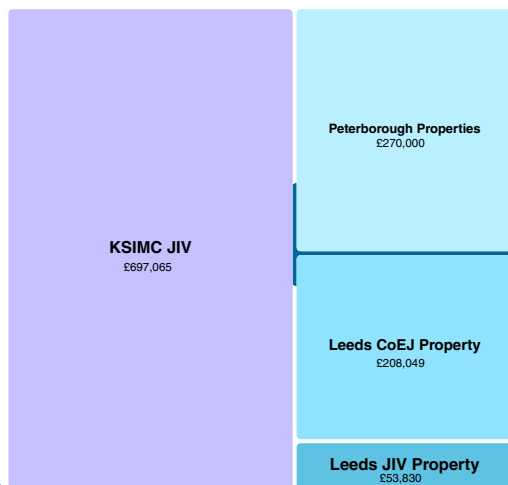


# INVESTMENT UPDATES\*

## Returns



## Size of CoEJ Investments



34% increase to our investment base to £1.2m

Total **gross** yield return: 6.0%  
Total **net** yield return: 5.7%

\*As of August 2024



# **CAPITAL** Projects



# 8 CAPITAL PROJECTS SUPPORTED



**Al Qaem  
Peterborough  
project**



**Imam Reza  
Centre Essex**



**Trollhatten  
renovation  
project**



**Al Abbas  
Birmingham  
mosque project**



**Hujjat Harefield  
purchase**



**Paris north  
renovation**



**Purchase of  
new Hyderi  
mosque**



**Leicester  
extension  
project**





# RECITERS AND CREATORS LIST

# LOCAL RECITERS IN COEJ MEMBER JAMAATS\*

## Alim

### Birmingham

- Shaykh Nuru Mohammed
- Sayed Aliraza Naqvi
- Sayed Mohamed Naqvi
- Sayed Zafar Abbas Naqvi
- Shaykh Ayub Rashid
- Maulana Zafar Abbas
- Mulla Gulamabbas Kassam
- Br Ahmed Daya

### Essex

- Dr. Qamar Abbas
- Dr Hussain Rizvi

### Hyderi

- Br Aliasgar Khimani
- Maulana Hassan Abbas
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- Sayed Muhammed Rizvi

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### Paris North & South

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- Sister Massouma Rajabaly
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# NAWHA/NASHEED **CREATORS** IN COEJ MEMBER JAMAATS\*

The following is the list of local creators who use the artistic medium of poetry to produce **original nawha/nasheed** or **spoken word** poetry.

| Name                            | Jamaat       | Category |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Br. Abbas Lalji                 | Birmingham   | Both     |
| Sis. Hina Raza                  | Birmingham   | Poet     |
| Sis. Zameenah Damji-Naqvi       | Birmingham   | Poet     |
| Br. Adnan Ahmed Khan            | Essex        | Poet     |
| Br. Mahmood Khan (Abu Shahbaaz) | Hyderi       | Poet     |
| Br. Abbas Tejani                | Leicester    | Both     |
| Br. Aliridha Dhirani            | Leicester    | Reciter  |
| Br. Azhar Jameel Muraj          | Leicester    | Poet     |
| Br. Rizwan Hussein              | Leicester    | Reciter  |
| Br. Shabbir Tejani              | Leicester    | Both     |
| Br. Shan Hussein                | Leicester    | Reciter  |
| Br. Taqi Abbas Muraj            | Leicester    | Poet     |
| Br. Ali Raza Punjani            | Marsta       | Reciter  |
| Br. Sayhaan Jetha               | Paris South  | Both     |
| Br. Adil Karim                  | Peterborough | Reciter  |
| Br. Ali-Asgher Abdallah         | Peterborough | Both     |
| Br. Imran Datoo                 | Peterborough | Both     |
| Br. Mohammed Abbas Karim        | Peterborough | Reciter  |
| Br. Shabir Sadak                | Peterborough | Reciter  |
| Br. Abbasali Muraj              | Stanmore     | Reciter  |
| Br. Aliraza Damani              | Stanmore     | Reciter  |
| Br. Muhammad Abbas Jaffer       | Stanmore     | Poet     |
| Br. Raza Lilani                 | Stanmore     | Composer |
| Br. Syed Mohammed Jawad         | Stanmore     | Both     |
| Br. Yusuf Ali Okera             | Stanmore     | Reciter  |
| Sis. Zahra Ismail               | Stanmore     | Poet     |

#### Categories:

- **Poet:** Writing lyrics for nawha/nasheed and/or spoken word
- **Reciter:** Recite & compose original nawha/nasheed written by others
- **Both:** Write and recite nawha/nasheed
- **Composer:** Can do the composition





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