New Charity Inquiry: Jamia Alfurqan Limited



The Charity Commission is today announcing an inquiry into Jamia Alfurqan Limited (1157121).

In February this year, West Midlands Police notified the Commission of serious concerns involving the charity. On the same day the Commission opened a formal statutory inquiry which is examining:

- whether the trustees have properly exercised their legal duties and responsibilities under charity law in the administration of the charity
- the financial management of the charity
- the trustees' conduct, including whether there has been private benefit to the trustees
- whether the charity is operating for the public benefit and its income is applied solely on activities which further its charitable purposes.

The Commission is liaising closely with the police and has also exercised its power to prohibit trustees from making certain transactions without prior consent from the Commission.

After the Commission's inquiry was opened, the trustees of the charity resigned. A new board of trustees has been appointed.

It is the Commission's policy, after it has concluded an inquiry, to publish a report detailing what issues the inquiry looked at, what actions were undertaken as part of the inquiry and what the outcomes were. Reports of previous inquiries by the Commission are available on <u>GOV.UK</u>.

Ends.

Notes to Editors

- 1. The inquiry was opened on 13 February 2019.
- The Charity Commission is the independent regulator of charities in England and Wales. To find out more about our work see the <u>about us</u> page on GOV.UK.
- 3. Search for charities on our check charity tool.

- 4. The Commission's case is separate from any investigation the Police may be carrying out in respect of the trustees, the charity or other individuals linked to the charity. The Commission does not investigate criminal allegations; these should be reported to the police.
- 5. Section 76(3)(f) of the Charities Act 2011 gives the Commission the power to restrict (regardless of anything in the trusts of the charity) the transactions which may be entered into, or the nature or amount of the payments which may be made, in the administration of the charity without the approval of the Commission. It is a temporary order and is reviewed on a regular basis in line with normal procedure.

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