

Press Release

Statement upon the conclusion of Charity Commission's Inquiry into Lantern of Knowledge Educational Trust

The Trustees of Lantern of Knowledge Educational Trust pride themselves on their commitment to their charitable work and the excellent outcomes achieved for pupils attending the charity's secondary school. Trustees have had in excess of 15 years without any issues with the Charity Commission which is a reflection of how seriously they take the law and regulations. We thank the Charity Commission for their co-operation during the Inquiry.

The Trustees denounce any attempts at radicalisation. Whilst the actions of Mr Haque at our school were limited, Trustees undertook a deep review of all our safeguarding and operational processes. Safeguarding is of paramount importance to the Trustees and shall remain so, without compromise. It is important to note that the Inquiry found no issue with the charity's safeguarding policies upon its review and there has been no action required in this regard.

Trustees have ensured significant investment has been put into the charity's school to ensure safeguarding remains robust and excellent educational outcomes for pupils are achieved. Ofsted has found on its latest inspection that all of the independent school standards checked were being met. The charity will endeavour to return to an outstanding judgement for the school.

Lantern of Knowledge Educational Trust now looks to the future and moving forward following the closure of the Commission's Inquiry.

Trustees wish to thank parents, pupils and other beneficiaries of the charity for their continued support and confidence.

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