

CBP(S)

Council of British Pakistanis (Scotland)

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Annual Report approved by Board of Trustees on 3 September 2026 at its Annual Meeting

Trustees present:

Mohammed Akram, President, MBE, JP (1981 to 2007 for Edinburgh City District), BA (Honours Essex University), Chair, Pakistan Association Edinburgh & East of Scotland (unincorporated body of over 50 years), Chair, Annandale Mosque and Community Centre (SCIO).

Liaquat Ali, Senior Vice President, (virtual attendance), JP (Hamilton JP Courts), DLL for King Charles for Lanarkshire, Administrator at LWK law firm Glasgow, Retired lecturer from Glasgow Nautical College.

Nasim Azad, Secretary, President of Annandale Mosque and Community Centre and Trustee Board of Edinburgh Interfaith Association. Active in other causes.

Mohammed Afzal, Treasurer, entrepreneur, retired businessperson and community activist.

Ghulam Mustafa, Vice President, Chair of Milan, former businessman and community activist.

Purposes (OSCR)

- The advancement of citizenship or community development
- The promotion of religious or racial harmony
- The promotion of equality and diversity

The main activities for the year ending 31st March 2026 are:

Expansion of the project Creating Allegiance and Love for Scotland (CALS) for the four years from October 2025 funded by NLCF and Robertson Trust, with one full time staff and dozens of volunteers. The CALS has expanded into two other areas of Scotland, Munro Centre in North Edinburgh and Annandale Community Centre. Its uptake has increased threefold.

Combatting insecurity amongst people of colour under attack, for not being white by extremists in our society. The June machete attack on five Muslims, with injuries, in Edinburgh has created further fear and alarm. The attack on Jewish community has enabled CBP(S) led by Nasim Azad to visit Edinburgh synagogue and take measures of mutual support to condemn attacks and go forward together. The CBP(S) 35 anniversary dinner on March 26 had guest speakers from Jewish, Sikh and Muslim Communities.

Work on Immigration advice and assistance continues, especially input to UKVI for improvement of the system.

Work with HMRC has been stepped up to improve their employment of people of colour at the top end. Similar work with financial institutions is ongoing as is with Crown office and Procurator Fiscal Services (COPFS).

Casework and arising policy development remains a key part of our work as does creating peaceful Scotland where we ALL live with dignity and respect for multicultural Scotland.

Approved audited accounts to 31 March are presented.



Nasim Azad, Secretary 3rd September 2026.